

ICELAND

Fly-Drive

Summer
Expedition

Iceland
Plus

Be-Spoke



VENTURE 4x4

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Mission:

We strive to be the premier provider of overland expeditions in Iceland. Providing outstanding personal service and inspiring all by sharing our passion for the wonders of Iceland.

Góðan daginn

Dawn and I first visited Iceland many years ago and were so impressed with the people and the country that we have returned many times since. We currently spend just over three months per year, travelling some 12000 miles, either exploring this remarkable island with our clients on our overland expeditions or just for pleasure.

What attracted us to return, after that first visit, and on later trips venturing into the interior was the prospect of seeing some of the most spectacular scenery on Earth in a land that has been described as Europe's last wilderness.

Iceland is truly amazing and seems to 'have it all', from dramatic coastlines and fjords to ice capped mountains and majestic glaciers; from farm land around the coast to desert terrain in the interior that goes on for miles and miles and not forgetting those volcanoes, hot springs that make the landscape so dramatic and varied and of course the Northern Lights (Aurora Borealis).

Drivers in Iceland also seem to 'have it all' as well; one minute you can be driving on a tarmac road, the next driving through sand, over rock, through water and so on, a truly mind-blowing experience all adding up to an incredible and diverse adventure.

Venture 4x4 Ltd is delighted to be able to offer not only our very popular 14 day guided self-drive expeditions to this enchanted island during July, August and September, but also include the opportunity to join us on our 7 day fly-drive at Easter, May, October and New Year. Alternatively we can work with you to design a bespoke expedition that meets your exact requirements the contents of which only being limited by your imagination.

Whether you are a driver or being driven our expert guides will be on hand, at all times, during your adventure to ensure everything runs smoothly as well as impart a whole host of information relating to Iceland's culture, history, wild-life, geology and geography as well as, where necessary, professional instruction on off-road driving.

Finally, a warning: Iceland is a truly stunning country that can become extremely addictive

Góða ferð

Fly-Drive

Beginning and ending at Keflavik international airport you will be guided over the next seven days to some incredible locations as we travel and explore the island. Stopping each night at a local hotel/guesthouse where you can relax and enjoy the hospitality.

What is included?

- * The hire of a 4x4 vehicle.
- * Hotel/Guest house accommodation.
- * Breakfast & evening meal.
- * Entrance into a number of attractions.
- * Expert guides.

Will it be cold?

Average monthly temperatures for Reykjavik

Time of year	Day	Night
New Year	2 C	-2 C
Easter	6 C	1 C
May	10 C	4 C
October	7 C	3 C

Will it be dark?

Time of year	Sunrise	Sunset
New Year	11:20	15:30
Easter	06:30	20:30
May	03:30	23:30
October	08:30	17:30

all times are approximate

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Northern Lights (Aurora Borealis)

Will I see the Northern Lights?

There is the potential to see the northern lights on the fly-drive at:

- * New Year
- * Easter
- * October

NO possibility of seeing the northern lights during the May fly-drive as the nights do not get dark.

Stunning Sights



Excitement and Scenery



This picture was taken on the May fly-drive 2015.

Fly-Drive

Can we get in the interior?

The interior of Iceland is only open from late June until mid September.

How much off tarmac will there be?

There will be considerably less off tarmac than in the summer due to weather and road opening conditions.

There are varying degrees of off tarmac depending on the fly-drive. The closer to summer more roads become open, so May and October offer the best opportunities.



Summer Expedition

Venture 4x4's 14 day summer tour is a combination of overland driving through deserts, mountain, lava fields and roads/track where only 4x4 vehicles are allowed. We also get to see some amazing sights, from waterfalls to geothermal areas including volcanoes.

What is included?

- * All Campsite fees.
- * Entrance into Myvatn blue baths.
- * Entrance into a number of attractions.
- * Expert guides/guidance.
- * A photograph book of your tour.

Is it all camping?

It is primarily camping, the reason behind is that it allows us the flexibility to camp at some very remote campsites. There is the opportunity to have hotel or guest house accommodation along the route should you want a break from camping.

Do you wild camp?

We DO NOT wild camp, this is frowned upon by the Icelandics, they are very keen on conservation, it is illegal in some locations.

How many vehicles?

We normally have 4 client vehicles, we like to keep the groups small and personal.

Summer Expedition



There are a large amount of water crossings, somewhere in the region of 200, during the summer expedition. Full instruction is given.

Can we hire a vehicle there?

You can hire a 4x4 vehicle but be mindful they are expensive during the summer.

How do we get there?

Either by ferry from north Denmark or you can container your vehicle from UK to Reykjavik and fly to meet it.



Summer Expedition



The map is a rough guide, we like to vary the route to meet our clients individual needs.



Iceland Plus

14 day guided tour, vehicles arrive via container and clients fly into Reykjavik to meet them.

The tour is all camping.

We head deep into the interior for 14 days of adventure, only surfacing to re-fuel and re-provision.

There are many remote tracks and mountain routes, which we will explore during the 2 weeks.

With this type of expedition almost anything is possible.

This is not for the faint hearted.



Be-Spoke

Tailored to meet your individual needs.



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Advice and Guidance

Important information you must consider before booking. Venture 4x4 Ltd will assist you to ensure you have a stress free holiday. Any bookings we make on your behalf will be commission free. We often get discounts which we pass straight on to you.

Starting point: All our Iceland expeditions and fly-drives start in Iceland where you will be met.

Driving: Off-roading in Iceland is illegal. Our summer routes only use authorised tracks that, here in the UK, would be considered as 'off-roading' including numerous water fording.

Taking your vehicle: If you use your own vehicle in Iceland you will need to ensure that apart from being road legal you also have valid insurance for the vehicle which specifically includes Iceland. Fuel (Petrol and Diesel) is readily available in Iceland with pay-at-pump facilities. You should have all your vehicle documentation as well as driver's licence.

* **Food:** There are strict customs restrictions on the amount and type of foods that can be imported into Iceland. However the supermarkets are well stocked with a good range of local and European food. Fresh bread, vegetables and fruit are readily available.

* **Currency:** Icelandic Krona is the currency. The most major bankcards are accepted at banks and ATMs. Please notify your bank of all your travel arrangements.

* **Passports:** All visitors to Iceland must be in possession of a valid passport. Visas are required for some nationalities.

* **Health & Vaccination:** There are no recommendations regarding vaccination and immunisation; however please consult a medical professional for further advice as required.

It is essential to appreciate that although we will encounter a large amount of 'off tarmac' driving these expeditions are not run as a race, raid or rally and that they are not a test of vehicle (or occupant) durability.

Equipment

Please make sure your vehicle has been serviced. A vehicle kit/spares list is a personal choice and a compromise between what you need and what you should take. Please also consider the legal requirements of the country(s) you may be traveling through. The following list is for reference only and should not be taken as exhaustive.

Essential: Red warning triangle (legal requirement), first aid kit, fire extinguisher, tool box, torch, and reflective vests for each occupant, spare bulbs as well as vehicle spare key(s).

Vehicle preparation: Vehicle should be equipped with a raised air-intake (snorkel), good set of AT/Mud tyres (at least one spare) and under-body protection as a minimum as well as a CB radio. A fridge is desirable.

Vehicle spares: Please contact your vehicle main dealer to discuss spares. Tie raps, duck-tape, WD40, drive belt etc. might be useful.

Fuel: A range of 400 mile and a 20 ltr spare fuel can is essential.

Recovery equipment: No special recovery equipment is needed.

Personal kit list: Waterproofs and warm clothing are essential. It is advisable to use the 'layer' system approach. Sturdy footwear should be worn and welly boots could be useful.

Tents: Ground tent should be rated at 2 season or above. If you use a roof tent then have a ground tent as a back-up. Strong tent pegs are essential.

Sleeping bags: A good quality 3 / 4 season sleeping bag should be adequate.

Cooking facilities: Camping gas is readily available.

Storage: All kit and/or supplies should be stored in storage containers secured inside the vehicle.

Venture 4x4 Ltd.

Delivers formal instruction and experiences

Providing:

Half / Full day off-road training

Half / Full day winch training

Lantra certificated off-road / winching

Experiences / Parties

Venture4x4 is instructional NOT pay & play



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