



Midasia Routes
HAND CRAFTED JOURNEYS AND SEAMLESS LUXURY



The basalt walls of Studlagil Canyon, eastern Iceland

PRIVATE GUIDED WALKING & HIKING

Iceland: Northern Trails & Eastern Fjords

Volcanic landscapes, powerful waterfalls and rewarding private hikes

YOUR JOURNEY

8 days / 7 nights

OUR RECOMMENDED TIME

Late July

Your own party. Your own experienced guide.

THE EXPERIENCE

Experience Iceland where the walking is the highlight.

Explore Iceland's north and east on a private journey built around walking rather than long daily drives from Reykjavik. Domestic flights bring you close to Myvatn's volcanic scenery, the waterfalls and canyon country of the north, and the mountains and fjords around Egilsstadir.

Your experienced private guide leads every hike, with a dedicated vehicle connecting the trailheads. Comfortable country hotels, warm meals and well-timed geothermal bathing add a welcome touch of comfort. The result is an active, varied Iceland journey with time to enjoy the landscape on foot.

JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

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| 01 | Walk among Myvatn's craters, lava formations and volcanic landscapes. | 02 | Discover Dettifoss and the Jokulsargljufur canyon region. |
| 03 | Hike around Krafla and enjoy a geothermal bathing experience. | 04 | Explore the basalt scenery of Studlagil Canyon. |
| 05 | Walk to Storurd and visit the seasonal puffin colony near Borgarfjordur Eystri. | 06 | See Hengifoss and Seydisfjordur before a Reykjavik finale. |

Fully accompanied, from the first welcome to the final farewell.

All scheduled walks, hikes and cultural visits are led by experienced private guides.

ROUTE, SEASON & WALKING LEVEL

Your journey at a glance.

Reykjavik, Iceland → Reykjavik, Iceland

OVERNIGHT BASE

NIGHTS

Reykjavik	1
Myvatn	3
Egilsstadir / Lagarfljot	2
Reykjavik	1

BEST TIME TO TRAVEL

Late July

Also recommended: Mid-July to early August.

Late July is the best fit for the Storurd mountain hike, long daylight hours and the seasonal puffin visit. This focused summer window brings together the main experiences on the northern and eastern route.

WALKING LEVEL

Moderate to challenging

Most hiking days cover 8–15 km and 3–6 hours on lava, gravel and mountain paths. The Storurd day is the longest, with about 520 m of ascent. Good balance on uneven ground and regular walking fitness are important.

THOUGHTFUL CONNECTIONS

The journey flies from Reykjavik domestic airport to Akureyri and returns from Egilsstadir. International flights use Keflavik airport, with private transfers included. Choose a late-afternoon or evening departure on Day 8 to allow the final geothermal visit.

Daily distances and elevations are approximate planning figures, not a GPS track. They include the scheduled cultural walking as well as trail sections. Walking times exclude meals, visits and vehicle travel unless stated. Your private guide confirms the day's route and pace.

DAY BY DAY / DAYS 01 / 02

DAY 01

A warm welcome in Reykjavik

Your private host meets you at Keflavik airport and takes you to your Reykjavik hotel. Rest after the flight, then enjoy a gentle accompanied city walk if your arrival time allows. Dinner is arranged at a selected restaurant, where your guide introduces the northern and eastern route and reviews your walking equipment. The main outdoor programme begins after tomorrow's short domestic flight.

WALKING (APPROX.)

0–3 km

WALKING TIME

Up to 1.5 hours, optional

DAILY EFFORT

Easy

Terrain / elevation: Gentle city gradients

Overnight Reykjavik

Connections Private Keflavik airport transfer, about 45–60 minutes

Meals Dinner

DAY 02

Fly north and walk Myvatn's volcanic landscape

Transfer to Reykjavik's domestic airport and fly to Akureyri. Your northern guide and vehicle meet you for the journey towards Myvatn. After lunch, explore a carefully linked walking route among the area's pseudocraters, Hverfjall and Dimmuborgir lava formations. Your guide explains the volcanic landscape as you walk. Settle into your country hotel for three nights and enjoy dinner after a full first day in the north.

WALKING (APPROX.)

13–14 km

WALKING TIME

5 hours

DAILY EFFORT

Moderate

Terrain / elevation: About +200 m / –200 m

Overnight Myvatn

Connections Domestic flight about 45 minutes; private road travel about 1.5 hours

Meals Breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY BY DAY / DAY 03



Dettifoss waterfall, northern Iceland | Day 3

DAY 03

Dettifoss and the northern canyon country

Travel to Dettifoss for close views from the designated walking routes, then continue through the Jokulsargljufur canyon region. Your guide selects a rewarding trail combination that fits the day’s access and conditions, with a picnic along the way. Visit the Asbyrgi area and pause in Husavik as the road journey allows. Return to Myvatn for a comfortable dinner and a second night at your hotel.

WALKING (APPROX.)	WALKING TIME	DAILY EFFORT
8–11 km	3–5 hours	Moderate

Terrain / elevation: About +200 m / –275 m

Overnight Myvatn

Connections Private scenic road touring, about 3.5 hours

Meals Breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY BY DAY / DAYS 04 / 05

DAY 04

Krafla trails and a geothermal soak

Explore the geothermal and volcanic country around Namaskard and Krafla, following your guide on a selected walking route through Leirhnjúkur and the Hlíðarfjall area. Lava fields and changing rock colours make this one of the journey's most distinctive days. Lunch and rest stops are included. Later, enjoy a pre-arranged geothermal bathing experience near Myvatn before returning to your hotel for dinner.

WALKING (APPROX.)

12–13 km

WALKING TIME

5–6 hours

DAILY EFFORT

Moderate

Terrain / elevation: About +230 m / –430 m

Overnight Myvatn**Connections** Private local road travel, about 1 hour**Meals** Breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 05

Studlagil and the road to the east

Travel east through the open landscapes around Modrudalur and Jokuldalur. At Studlagil, your private guide leads a selected canyon walk to appreciate the striking basalt formations from designated access routes. Enjoy a picnic or local lunch before continuing to the Egilsstaðir–Lagarfljót area. Your comfortable country hotel provides a welcoming base for two nights, with an included dinner and time to relax.

WALKING (APPROX.)

8–10 km

WALKING TIME

3 hours

DAILY EFFORT

Moderate

Terrain / elevation: About +90 m / –110 m

Overnight Egilsstaðir / Lagarfljót**Connections** Private scenic road travel, about 2.5–3 hours**Meals** Breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY BY DAY / DAY 06



Boulders and mountain lakes at Storurd, eastern Iceland | Day 6

DAY 06

Storurd’s mountain landscape and coastal birdlife

Set out with your guide for the Storurd mountain walk, crossing open ground towards its great boulders and small lakes. A picnic and well-chosen pauses allow time to enjoy the setting before the descent. Continue towards Borgarfjordur Eystri for a visit to the seasonal puffin colony from the established viewing area. Return to your hotel for dinner after this rewarding, active day in the east.

WALKING (APPROX.)	WALKING TIME	DAILY EFFORT
14–15 km	5–6 hours	Moderate to challenging

Terrain / elevation: About +520 m / –730 m

Overnight Egilsstadir / Lagarfljot

Connections Private road transfers, about 2 hours total

Meals Breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY BY DAY / DAYS 07 / 08

DAY 07

Hengifoss, Seydisfjordur and Reykjavik

Walk with your guide towards Hengifoss, passing the basalt setting of Litlanesfoss on the ascent. After lunch, continue to Seydisfjordur for a guided stroll among its colourful buildings and fjord views. Your private driver then takes you to Egilsstadir airport for the booked flight to Reykjavik. Transfer to your city hotel and enjoy a farewell dinner. The day's order is aligned with the actual domestic schedule.

WALKING (APPROX.)	WALKING TIME	DAILY EFFORT
6–7 km	2.5–3 hours	Moderate

Terrain / elevation: About +275 m / –275 m on the waterfall hike

Overnight Reykjavik

Connections Private touring about 2 hours; domestic flight about 1 hour

Meals Breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 08

A geothermal finish and departure

Enjoy breakfast before a pre-arranged geothermal bathing visit on the way to Keflavik. The Blue Lagoon is the preferred setting when operating and available; a comparable geothermal experience is arranged if the visit needs to change. Your driver looks after the luggage and continues to the airport for a late-afternoon or evening flight. The eight-day private journey ends with a relaxed departure.

WALKING (APPROX.)	WALKING TIME	DAILY EFFORT
0.5–1 km	Up to 30 minutes	Easy

Terrain / elevation: Spa access paths

Overnight Departure

Connections Private Reykjavik–spa–Keflavik transfers

Meals Breakfast

THE MIDASIA ROUTES DIFFERENCE

Your private journey, cared for.

Every scheduled walk, hike and cultural visit is accompanied. Your guide handles the route and timing, with specialist mountain or local site guides where needed. Private means your own travelling party, with the arrangements shaped around your interests and walking ability.

YOUR STAYS

A stylish Reykjavik hotel and comfortable, well-located country hotels in Myvatn and the Egilsstaðir–Lagarfljót area. Private bathrooms, welcoming dining and practical access to the hiking routes.

YOUR ARRANGEMENT INCLUDES

Private guides and personal arrival assistance; the stated accommodation and meals; private road transfers; listed regional flights, trains, ferries and cable cars; scheduled visits, entrance fees and activities; luggage handling and trail refreshments.

ARRANGED SEPARATELY

International flights to the starting city and home from the finishing city; travel and medical insurance; passport-dependent visa fees unless specified in your proposal; personal shopping, laundry, alcoholic drinks and discretionary gratuities.

We confirm the named hotels, room arrangements and operating details in your personal proposal. Park visits, scheduled transport and public heritage sites may be shared with other visitors; your party remains accompanied by its private guide.

PLAN YOUR PRIVATE JOURNEY

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