Welcome to Explorations Central™

Why book your shore excursions with Holland America Line?

Experts in Each Destination

- Working with local tour operators, we have carefully curated a collection of enriching adventures. These offer in-depth travel for first-timers and immersive experiences for seasoned alumni.

Seamless Travel

- Pre-cruise, on board the ship, and after your cruise, you are in the best of hands. With the assistance of our dedicated call center, the attention of our on-board team, and trustworthy service at every stage of your journey, you can truly travel without a care.

Our Best Price Guarantee

- Save time and money. After booking your cruise, log in to purchase your shore excursions. If you purchase a tour and find a better price on an identical tour offered elsewhere, we’ll refund 110 percent of the price difference in the form of an on-board credit (conditions apply).

Which Shore Excursions Are Right for You?

Choose the tours that interest you by using the icons as a general guide to the level of activity involved, and select the tours best suited to your physical capabilities. These icons will help you to interpret this brochure.

- **Easy Activity:** Very light activity including short distances to walk; may include some steps.

- **Moderate Activity:** Requires intermittent effort throughout, including walking medium distances over uneven surfaces and/or steps.

- **Strenuous Activity:** Requires active participation, walking long distances over uneven and steep terrain or on steps. In certain instances, paddling or other non-walking activity is required and guests must be able to participate without discomfort or difficulty breathing.

- **Panoramic Tours:** Specially designed for guests who enjoy a slower pace, these tours offer sightseeing mainly from the transportation vehicle, with few or no stops, and no mandatory disembarkation from the vehicle during the tour. As vehicles outside the United States are rarely lift-equipped and ramps are seldom available, a very small amount of walking will be necessary. The pace is gentle and taking your time is encouraged.

- **Limited Capacity:** The number of people able to participate in this tour is strictly limited. Reasons for limiting capacity may include the number of transportation seats available, or the need to maintain a safe ratio of guides for hikes, fishing and water activities. Tours require a minimum number of participants in order to operate.

- **Snack:** This tour includes a small snack or tasting of local specialties. The snack is not a meal.

- **Meal:** This tour includes a meal—lunch on daytime tours, dinner on evening tours.
Frequently Asked Questions

What should I wear?
Comfortable walking shoes are recommended for all shore excursions. When you visit places of worship, we recommend dressing conservatively (no shorts or sleeveless tops), but casual clothing is perfectly acceptable. Dress in layers and have a jacket along. Bring an umbrella or raincoat, a hat and sunscreen.

What about meals?
Most tour departures complement the ship’s meal service hours. In-room dining is available on board.

How will I know what time each tour departs?
The on-board Shore Excursions Order Form in your stateroom will show departure times. This information will also be printed on your shore excursions tickets, which you will receive on board. Approximate tour departure times are posted on our website at hollandamerica.com.

I am traveling with friends. Can we be accommodated on the same motorcoach?
If you wish to travel with friends, please arrive at the designated meeting place together. This will enable the staff to allocate space for you on the same vehicle.

Tour durations
The individual tour descriptions include approximate durations. To allow our Shore Excursions Managers flexibility to coordinate your time in port with meals and activities on the ship, exact departure times are published in the Shore Excursions Order Form on board. For more information, please attend the Shore Excursions Presentation or visit the Shore Excursions Desk.

Tour descriptions
Tour descriptions may change after printing. Information that becomes available after this brochure is published will be posted in the Shore Excursions section of our website, which can be found online at hollandamerica.com. Significant changes will be noted on the Shore Excursions Order Form on board. Tour schedules are subject to change.
The Collections of Holland America Line

What fascinates you? A cooking class with a local chef? A private car, complete with driver and/or guide? A chance to encounter wildlife or view natural wonders up close? The Collections represent a small subset of the shore excursions you will find in this brochure. Each collection offers its own particular focus and is available only in select ports.

**World Wonders Collection**

Natural treasures, architectural marvels, technical wonders: to the Seven Wonders of the World we add our own nominations based on decades of leadership in global travel—the sandstone city of Petra, the moai statues of Easter Island, and the Great Wall of China, among others. What they have in common is the ability to inspire awe.

**Encore Collection**

Been there, done that? Think again. The Encore Collection, designed especially for repeat guests, lets you discover what lies beyond the well-known attractions you’ve already seen. Barbecue with Argentine gauchos, bike the tree-lined boulevards of Barcelona, ride an Icelandic pony across a windswept beach near Reykjavík. These tours showcase hidden gems, unusual angles and inside stories that will bring you back time and again.

**Overland & Overnight Collection**

A passion for new experiences, goodwill toward others, or immersion in life elsewhere—whatever drives you to travel, Overland Adventures and Overnights take you further. Dig deeper, make connections, leave a part of your soul in great places, and bring home a wider knowledge of our planet and those with whom we share it.

**Cruise with Purpose Collection**

For every global citizen who has ever dreamed of either giving back or paying it forward, the innovative Cruise with Purpose Collection is about improving our planet one voyage at a time. Assist in scientific research, bring supplies to an orphanage, participate in a fair trade scheme or cultural exchange, replant a forest or restore fragile habitat—your footprint will be light and your soul enriched.

**Medallion Collection**

This series of exclusive experiences is designed to accommodate our most discerning guests. Each Medallion Collection tour is carefully chosen to provide an in-depth perspective, often exclusive to Holland America Line. They offer unparalleled access to events and sights not normally readily available to the public. First-class style, smaller groups, elite activities for a privileged few—this is the Medallion Collection.
The Signature Collection

Explore at your leisure with a private vehicle and English-speaking driver and/or guide at your service. Choose your companions and visit only the landmarks that interest you so that you maximize your time ashore.

Signature Collection

This exclusive touring option for independent-minded travelers lets you completely customize and maximize your time ashore by reserving private transportation (along with an English-speaking driver and/or guide) in advance. Whether you travel by car or minivan, customized boat, classic floatplane or stretch SUV limousine, you choose the companions, sights and pace that perfectly suit you.

To Whom is the Signature Collection Suited?
The Signature Collection is for solo travelers, couples, families, friends and special interest groups traveling together. This may also be an excellent choice for non-ambulatory guests. Value and flexibility are just two of the advantages of first-class touring and luxury transportation. Privacy, comfort, safety, and personalized guide service are also yours to enjoy.

Itinerary Planning

If you need help planning your personal itinerary, the Shore Excursions Manager can assist you and will gladly answer your questions. This can be very helpful in many destinations where travel time, location, holidays, and opening hours of attractions need to be taken into consideration in order to maximize the efficiency of your time ashore.

Booking on Board

The Signature Collection may be available for booking once you are on the ship, but this cannot be guaranteed. Please check with the Shore Excursions Office on board.

About the Signature Collection Transportation

Each type of transportation will be of the highest grade available in that port. Not all modes of transportation are available in all locations. For information about the transportation sizes and availability, please see our website at hollandamerica.com.

Online Reservations

The fastest and easiest way for you to reserve and pay for your Signature Collection experience is online at hollandamerica.com. Please note the cost will be per mode of transportation (not per person), so only one person in the party needs to make the reservation. The price shown on the website is the total cost for the transportation, driver and guide (not a per-person price). In many ports, availability is extremely limited. We encourage you to reserve as early as possible.

Also Included

The cost includes the service of an English-speaking guide and/or driver, unlimited mileage, road tolls, parking fees and bottled water.

Not Included (Unless Otherwise Noted)

Guests’ entrance fees for attractions are not included in the price due to the wide range of attraction possibilities, uncertain number of attractions to be visited, and varying number of guests participating. We strongly recommend that you bring some local currency to cover such costs as credit cards are not readily accepted in some ports. Lunch will not be included on any tour as many guests prefer to select their own dining venue.

Payment & Tour Vouchers

Your credit card will be charged after your reservation is confirmed. Next, start planning what you’ll do with your Signature Collection experience in each port. On board the ship, you will be given a tour voucher and a form to advise the Shore Excursions staff of the itinerary you have chosen.
Best Price Guarantee

Find a better price on any tour we offer and we’ll refund to you 110 percent of the price difference in the form of an on-board credit (conditions apply). After booking your cruise, log in to www.hollandamerica.com to purchase your shore excursions.

Shore Excursions Bookings & Confirmation

Now you can choose your tour times, book your tours, and receive confirmation of your tour reservations 24 hours a day. Visit us online at hollandamerica.com.

Book online now, up until three days before sailing. Make your payment online via our secure website, and receive confirmation as well as your approximate tour departure times.

You can also download the shore excursions, view tour prices, find answers to frequently asked questions and read general information. And remember, online tour reservations are processed prior to any requests made on board the ship and receive priority handling.

Please see the Reservations & Online Reservations paragraph in the General Information section for terms and conditions.

Expand the Experience

Make the most of your time in each port by combining different half-day tours to complete a full day of sightseeing. You might want to consider a morning cooking class and an afternoon walking tour; a morning stroll through a mosaic-lined church and an afternoon of sampling local wine at a vineyard; or even a bike ride and an evening cultural performance—all in one day! Whatever your interests, and whichever pace suits you best, there’s a huge variety of tours to mix and match in this brochure. Please consult with a Shore Excursions specialist at 1.888.425.9376.
South Queensferry (Edinburgh), Scotland, United Kingdom - Wednesday, August 25, 2021: Your jumping-off point for the highlights of Edinburgh, including historic Edinburgh Castle, housing the Scottish crown jewels and the palace that was once home to Mary Queen of Scots.

A Stroll Down the Royal Mile

Departs: 9:45 AM
Approximately 4 Hours
Adult $89.95; Child $69.95

The best way to appreciate the historical past of Edinburgh is to explore the Royal Mile on foot. This famous thoroughfare was the heart of the Old Town of Edinburgh during medieval times, and stretches from the high hillside setting of Edinburgh Castle for approximately a mile downhill to the Palace of Holyrood House. It is really a continuation of four streets joined together -- Castle Hill, Lawnmarket, High Street and Canongate.

Edinburgh Castle, an imposing castle-fortress, stands proudly at one end of the Royal Mile. The crowning glory of this magnificent city is Edinburgh Castle -- a great medieval fortified village perched atop an eroded volcanic crag. Enter the superb fortress complex on Crown Square and allow your guide to orient you to all that can be seen on the grounds. You will explore the interior rooms and the grounds on your own. Highlights include the Crown Room housed within the 14th-century Old Royal Palace, where Scotland’s Crown Jewels can be found. View the chamber where Mary, Queen of Scots, gave birth to James VI of Scotland -- later crowned James I of England and founder of the Stuart Dynasty.

Edinburgh Highlights & Castle

Departs: 8:45 AM
Approximately 4½ Hours
Adult $129.95; Child $59.95

Visit Edinburgh Castle, home of Scottish kings and queens for centuries, perched on its rocky site 445 feet above the city. This castle has witnessed many tense moments in its history and beauty unite in the proud city of Edinburgh.

Gladstone’s Land

A literary museum dedicated to the works of Burns, Scott and Stevenson, can be seen from a secluded close that opens into a spacious courtyard. You’ll pass Gladstone’s Land, where some of the features of this interesting, tall, early 17th-century building can be admired, including an outside staircase, arcaded ground floor, oak shutters, leaded glass, and crow-stepped gables.

St Giles Cathedral

Famous church reformer John Knox once lived here, and his 16th-century house has been rebuilt extensively through the years. It has a red-tiled gable roof, projecting timber gallery and outside stairs.

Your guide will point out the Church of Canongate, where many historical figures are buried in the churchyard, including the murdered Italian secretary of Mary, Queen of Scots. At the bottom of the Royal Mile, visit Holyrood House -- the British Monarch’s official residence in Scotland and a magnificent palace closely associated with Bonnie Prince Charlie and Mary, Queen of Scots, who resided here for six long and lonely years. Your guided visit will include the state apartments, which are filled with tapestries, paintings, and impressive furniture. Of special note is the picture gallery with more than 80 portraits of Scottish Monarchs.

Notes:
Tour is available only on select sailings. Use of an audio headset (included) will enhance your tour experience.

Edinburgh Highlights & Castle

Departs: 8:45 AM
Approximately 8¾ Hours
Adult $199.95; Child $129.95

Travel to the port of Leith to visit Britannia -- the Queen’s Royal Yacht from 1953 to 1995. Your tour ranges from the Queen’s cabin to the engine room in an upstairs-downstairs look at this legendary craft that was the setting for Charles and Diana’s honeymoon. Walk through the comfortable drawing room to the formal dining room. Tour the bridge, the Admiral’s Suite and the officers’ wardroom. Then, head below decks to see the spotless crew quarters, the sickbay and laundry. Britannia gleams with polished wood and brasswork and offers an intriguing glimpse into the private life of the royals.

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Enjoy some free time to explore the many shops, boutiques, galleries and cafés of the New Town on Princes Street before returning to South Queensferry.

Notes:
At the castle, an uphill walk is required from the coach parking area to the castle entrance, over cobblestone surfaces that are uneven in places. Use of an audio headset (included) will enhance your tour experience.

Britannia & the Best of Edinburgh

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Approximately 9 Hours
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thousand-year history. Inside, don't miss the 15th-century Old Royal Palace, which houses the Scottish Crown Jewels. See the apartment in which Mary, Queen of Scots gave birth to the future King James VI of Scotland who also became James I of England.

Driving through the Old Town, you will see the historic stretch of road known as the Royal Mile, including Canongate and Lawnmarket with delightful multi-storied houses and quaint side streets. Pass Holyrood House, the official Scottish residence of the Queen, before returning to the pier.

Notes:
There are three floors and 30 steps within the Royal Palace where the Crown Jewels are displayed. The cobblestone entrance paths are very steep and are difficult to access by wheelchair. A vehicle is available to transport guests to the top but it does not accommodate wheelchairs.

**Edinburgh, Floors Castle & Dryburgh Abbey**

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Every inch of the area of Scotland known as the **Borders** has been fought over, bitterly and often, from prehistoric times until the middle of the 17th century. Whole towns were sacked, hastily rebuilt, and heavily fortified after the lessons learned.

The Border country is a checkerboard of fertile farmland laced with wooded rivers and valleys within a rim of undulating hills. Enjoy this peaceful region as you travel to **Kelso**, a compact market town, where two famous Border rivers, the Teviot and the Tweed, meet under the city walls.

You will visit **Floors Castle**, the home of the Duke of Roxburghe and the 'ancestral home of Tarzan', having been the location of the movie *Greystoke*. Built by William Adam between 1721 and 1725, this immense mansion, flanked by vast pavilions, with minarets and cupolas, has an almost Eastern look. A tree in the grounds marks the spot where James II was killed by an exploding cannon in 1460. The apartments display an outstanding collection of French 17th- to 18th-century furniture, many fine works of art and tapestries, Chinese and Dresden porcelain, and a Victorian collection of birds.

Continue to Dryburgh and visit the abbey there -- one of the quartet of 12th-century Border abbeys founded by David I. Built in 1150, **Dryburgh Abbey** is today a beautiful ruin, but its cloister buildings are more complete than those of other Scottish monasteries. In common with the other abbeys, Dryburgh was ravaged by the English until 1545, when Hertford, acting for Henry VIII, left it a smoking ruin. It was robbed of its usefulness, but not of its tranquil beauty, nor its atmosphere of sanctity.

Look out for the **tomb of Sir Walter Scott**. The stately cedars that throw their shade across the grass were brought back from the Holy Land during one of the crusades.

**Lunch** is served at a small country hotel and your excursion continues with a drive through more typical Border country and scenery.

Arriving in **Edinburgh**, you'll take a **panoramic drive** along Princes Street, with its elegant shops on one side and the sunken gardens on the other side. See Edinburgh Castle perched on its lofty rock overlooking the Old Town -- the most ancient part of Scotland's capital.

**Notes:**
Tour is available only on select sailings.

**Falkirk Wheel & Stirling**

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Almost 100 years ago, a series of eleven locks was used to connect the Forth and Clyde Canals, running from Glasgow to Edinburgh's Union Canal. As part of a Millennium initiative to encourage waterway usage, the **Falkirk Wheel** was designed and constructed to provide a 21st-century solution to more speedily link the canals. The Wheel is a truly unique and awesome spectacle -- Scotland's most exciting example of modern engineering. More than just the world's first rotating boat elevator, the Falkirk Wheel is also a symbol heralding the dawn of Britain's new Canal Age. Its role may be simple, but its shape is far from conventional -- it is an eye-catching, working sculpture.

Embark a **canal boat** to experience a journey through a canal tunnel and across an aqueduct. Upon your return, the canal seems to simply drop off the end, but in fact your boat is gently lowered to the next level by the Falkirk Wheel. Boat elevators are nothing new -- the last one made in Britain was built in 1875. A rotating boat elevator, however, is quite unique and the result is both awe-inspiring and beautiful.

Back on dry land, re-board the motorcoach and continue the short distance to **Stirling**. You will have **free time** here in the town to spend sightseeing, shopping or visiting the castle of great renown (at your own expense).

**Mary Kings Close**

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Step back in time and experience **Mary Kings Close** -- a network of narrow underground alleyways running beneath the City Chambers along Edinburgh's famous Royal Mile.

Mary Kings Close was a daylight passageway at the heart of Edinburgh's busiest and most vibrant streets in 1645, but 400 years later, it is well below street level and this underground warren can only be accessed by a portal to the past that is open to you today. Discover how this happened, and why, as your costumed guide in character takes you on a tour through the close, sharing fascinating and intriguing stories about this mysterious place, its role during the Plague, and the living conditions of the day.
Next, you'll take a guided walk along the famous Royal Mile before returning to the ship.

Notes:
Your will be split into smaller groups to visit Mary Kings Close; very large extended family groups may be separated for the underground walk.

Panoramic Edinburgh

Departs: 9:15 AM
Approximately 3½ Hours
Adult $69.95; Child $39.95
Depart from the ship at South Queensferry and drive into the heart of Edinburgh city.

Begin your panoramic drive passing along Princes Street -- Edinburgh’s main thoroughfare and shopping district. Catch a glimpse of St Giles Cathedral with its soaring crown spires, and travel down the Royal Mile, Edinburgh’s main street in medieval times.

You will also see Holyrood Palace, official home to the Queen when she visits Scotland, and the Sir Walter Scott Memorial. Take advantage of the opportunity to stop and stretch your legs if you wish to get off the coach for a photo opportunity at the new Scottish Parliament building -- an unusual, modern building with a strong influence from Gaudí’s version of Art Nouveau.

Drive around Holyrood Park -- a green oasis of lakes and ponds; then, if time permits, you will stop for a photo opportunity within the grounds of Holyrood Palace.

Notes:
There is a five-minute walk from the ship to the motorcoach loading area. The photo stop is optional; participants may remain on the coach.

Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo: Side Stand Seating

Departs: 6:30 PM
Approximately ½ Hours
Price $249.95
Traditionally, the 'tattoo' was the signal given by drumbeat that warned British soldiers to return to their quarters for the night. Innkeepers promptly turned off their liquor taps and the drums continued to beat for a half hour -- the grace period during which the soldiers were allowed to return home before being reported AWOL. The custom eventually developed into a ceremonial performance of military music by massed bands, held a few hours after sunset.

This evening, you will transfer into the city of Edinburgh for the world-famous Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Against the majestic backdrop of Edinburgh Castle, the world-renowned Massed Pipes & Drums together with the impressive Massed Military Bands and the Band of the Royal Regiment of Scotland are among those who will gather for Scotland’s sensational Edinburgh Tattoo. The Tattoo concludes with that most moving of all Scotland’s performances -- the lone piper, floodlit on the battlements, haunting tunes reaching out across the darkened arena to echo in your heart long after the music stops.

The tattoo will leave you with lasting memories of your Scottish evening out. After the show, you'll walk back down the Royal Mile to your waiting motor coach for the transfer back to South Queensferry.

Notes:
Evenings are cool; bring a warm jacket or sweater. Wear comfortable walking shoes. This excursion is available only on select sailings and does not operate on Sundays. In this category seating zones range between zone 3 or 4 or 5 or 12 or 13 or 14 in different categories and are priced accordingly. Not all categories are available on all sailings. Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations. Participants must walk 20-30 minutes, partly uphill from the coach park to the castle. The actual performance is 1½ hours, but it is necessary to leave plenty of time for the journey into central Edinburgh, and for settling into your reserved seat.

South Queensferry Private Touring - Full Day (Car)

Departs: 9:00 AM
Approximately 8 hours - Price is per vehicle, not per person. See additional NOTES below.
Price $1,299.00
Explore at your own pace with a private vehicle, driver and English-speaking guide at your service. This exclusive tour is designed to allow you the chance to customize your time ashore and discover the most interesting sights in the comfort and privacy of your own vehicle. With your private vehicle, and the personalized attention of your driver and English-speaking guide, you will have the flexibility and independence to design your itinerary ashore according to your own interests, and take in the sights at your own pace. See the famous sights, or go beyond to create your own intimate connections and unique cultural encounters. The Signature Collection is recommended for the single/solo traveler, couples, family, friends, and special interest groups traveling together. It can also be an excellent choice for guests with mobility limitations.

Capacity: 2 guests. Your private party may be of any size up to the maximum capacity.

Notes:
Private cars are ordered per vehicle (not per person), so only one person in the party needs to order the vehicle. The price shown is the total cost for the vehicle, driver, and English-speaking guide. Entrance fees for attractions are not included. In many destinations, the number of vehicles available is extremely limited, so guests are encouraged to secure their private vehicle reservation as early as possible.

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South Queensferry Private Touring - Half Day (Car)
Departs: 9:30 AM
Approximately 4 hours - Price is per vehicle, not per person.
See additional NOTES below.
Price $899.00
Explore at your own pace with a private vehicle, driver and English-speaking guide at your service. This exclusive tour is designed to allow you the chance to customize your time ashore and discover the most interesting sights in the comfort and privacy of your own vehicle. With your private vehicle, and the personalized attention of your driver and English-speaking guide, you will have the flexibility and independence to design your itinerary ashore according to your own interests, and take in the sights at your own pace. See the famous sights, or go beyond to create your own intimate connections and unique cultural encounters. The Signature Collection is recommended for the single/solo traveler, couples, family, friends, and special interest groups traveling together. It can also be an excellent choice for guests with mobility limitations.

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South Queensferry Private Touring - Half Day (Minivan)
Departs: 9:30 AM
Approximately 4 hours - Price is per vehicle, not per person.
See additional NOTES below.
Price $999.00
Explore at your own pace with a private vehicle, driver and English-speaking guide at your service. This exclusive tour is designed to allow you the chance to customize your time ashore and discover the most interesting sights in the comfort and privacy of your own vehicle. With your private vehicle, and the personalized attention of your driver and English-speaking guide, you will have the flexibility and independence to design your itinerary ashore according to your own interests, and take in the sights at your own pace. See the famous sights, or go beyond to create your own intimate connections and unique cultural encounters. The Signature Collection is recommended for the single/solo traveler, couples, family, friends, and special interest groups traveling together. It can also be an excellent choice for guests with mobility limitations.

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St Andrews: Home of Golf
Departs: 1:15 PM
Approximately 4½ Hours
Adult $69.95; Child $39.95
Confident, poised and well-groomed, the town of St Andrews is most famous as the home of golf. It is also well known for its university -- the oldest higher-learning institution in Scotland.

St Andrews faces the sea from above a wide bay on the coast of Fife, and has always been at the heart of Scottish history. The town takes its name from the Apostle Andrew, whose relics, according to legend, were brought here by St Rule.

On arrival in this medieval cathedral town, you will transfer to the famous Royal & Ancient Golf Club for an independent stroll across of the Old Course. You will not play a game of golf.

There will be some free time for shopping before you transfer back to South Queensferry.

Notes:
Wear comfortable walking shoes.

**The Edinburgh Tattoo with Private Seating & Reception**

**Departs:** 7:00 PM  
**5 Hours**  
**Adult $769.95; Child $759.95**

A “tattoo” was the traditional signal that warned British soldiers to return to their quarters for the night. Innkeepers turned off the liquor taps at “taptoe” and the drums continued to beat for half an hour -- the grace period during which the soldiers were allowed to return to the barracks. The custom eventually developed into a ceremonial performance of military music played by massed bands a few hours after sunset.

Today you will witness the Edinburgh Military Tattoo -- without question Scotland’s most impressive entertainment spectacle and the most popular annual event on the Scottish calendar. It is one of the great visual and musical events in the world. Its ancient, historic setting, on the esplanade of Edinburgh Castle, is matchless. The venue is perched high above the skyline of the oldest and most popular part of the city, atop an extinct volcano some 440 feet above sea level.

This once-in-a-lifetime experience is about an hour from the pier by minibus. Your small coach has VIP access to the Edinburgh Castle esplanade, where you will be dropped off. From here, walk the short distance to the Royal Gallery to take your seat in the VIP area. As you watch from your reserved seat, this internationally acclaimed event unfolds in front of the floodlit castle -- a truly magnificent and memorable experience.

When this dramatic display of national pride and musical talent comes to an end, gather for an after-event champagne reception.

Finally, it will be time to return to the pier and the ship with an unforgettable evening and the dramatic city of Edinburgh behind you.

The dress code for the Royal Gallery packages is formal. The Royal Gallery seats 148 guests and this can (but may not always) include politicians, high-ranking military officials and even royalty from the UK and overseas, as well as those who are enjoying corporate entertainment or special occasions. Denim and sports shoes are not permitted in the Royal Gallery. Participants must dress as if for an on-board formal night. As the Royal Gallery is open to the front, it can become colder when the sun goes down; dress warmly in layers with a wind- and waterproof outer layer; you may wish to bring gloves, a scarf and a warm hat if the forecast is for cool or windy conditions. Tickets for the Military Tattoo will be allocated in January. The number of tickets available is limited; please waitlist everyone in your party as early as possible for the best chance of confirmation. When tickets become available, confirmations are processed in the order of joining the waitlist.

You will be notified by email if/when your party is confirmed.

### Notes:

Evenings are cool; bring a warm jacket or sweater. Wear comfortable walking shoes. This excursion is available only on select sailings and is not available on Sundays. In this category, seating zones range between 6, 7, 10, & 11 in different categories and are priced accordingly. Not all categories are available on all sailings. Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations. Participants must walk 20-30 minutes, partly uphill from the coach park to the castle. The actual performance is 1½ hours, but it is necessary to leave plenty of time for the journey into central Edinburgh, and for settling into your reserved seat.

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**Approximately 5¼ Hours**  
**Price $309.95** |

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This evening, you will transfer into the city of Edinburgh for the world-famous Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Against the majestic backdrop of Edinburgh Castle, the world-renowned Massed Pipes & Drums together with the impressive Massed Military Bands and the Band of the Royal Regiment of Scotland are among those who will gather for Scotland’s sensational Edinburgh Tattoo. The Tattoo concludes with that most moving of all Scotland’s performances -- the lone piper, floodlit on the battlements, haunting tones reaching out across the darkened arena to echo in your heart long after the music stops. The tattoo will leave you with lasting memories of your Scottish evening out. After the show, you’ll walk back down the Royal Mile to your waiting motorcoach for the transfer back to South Queensferry.

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The Edinburgh Tattoo: Premium Front Seating

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Approximately 5¼ Hours
Price $399.95

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Notes:

Wear comfortable shoes. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Wear long pants and bring a waterproof and windproof outer layer. If the evening is at all cool, you may wish to bring gloves, a warm hat and a scarf. Tour is only available on select sailings and is not available on Sundays. Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations. Participants must walk 20-30 minutes, partly uphill, from the coach park to the castle. The actual performance is 1½ hours, but it is necessary to leave plenty of time for the journey into central Edinburgh and for settling into your reserved seat.

The Trossachs Panoramic

Departs: 1:00 PM
Approximately 4½ Hours
Adult $69.95; Child $39.95

Begin your tour of one of Scotland’s most beautiful areas with a drive that follows the south side of the Firth of Forth and en route you’ll view the towering Wallace Monument. Completed in 1869 after eight years of construction, the 220-foot-tall Wallace Monument sits prominently on the Abbey Craig, two miles north of the city of Stirling. It was from this hilltop in 1297 that William Wallace watched the English army cross Stirling Bridge. He led the Scots into the battle of the same name, and to a stunning victory that was a major setback for the English.

You’ll stop in Aberfoyle, gateway to the Trossachs and a base for adventurers engaging in outdoor pursuits. Return to the ship via the Lake of Menteith -- this is Scotland’s only lake, as all the others are lochs.
Djupivogur, Iceland - Saturday, August 28, 2021: With a history of trading that dates back to 1589, this quiet fishing village on the eastern coast of Iceland lies on Bulandsnes peninsula near Bulandstindura-a pyramid-shaped mountain thought to be a source of spiritual energy. Visit Langabud, a log house built in 1790, which also houses the local folk museum—or journey to Papey Island, home to thousands of sea birds, including the colorful puffin.

**Canyons & Waterfalls by 4x4**

- **Departs:** 8:30 AM
- **5 Hours**
- **Price:** $499.95

This tour takes you off the beaten track, venturing into stunning mountain scenery, amazing canyons and green valleys, and past small waterfalls hidden in the midst of it all.

Hop into a **super-4x4 vehicle** at Djupivogur’s pier and set out towards the beautiful Stafafell campsite. Stafafell is a hiker’s haven with popular trails leading through the incredible southeastern countryside. The area teems with various bird species and sometimes one can spot reindeer grazing nearby.

You’re headed towards **Hvannagil Canyon**, where you will stop to take photos. Hvannagil is one of the most stunning canyons in Iceland, as it displays beautiful tints and hues of rhyolite and amygdale rocks, drawing geologists to its colorful formations that date back 5-7 million years.

Continue to **Grenisgil Canyon** and visit the lovely Skutafoss waterfall, as well as the hidden **Skutfoss falls** with a cave-in on one side. Walk up close to the falls and take gorgeous photos.

Returning to Djupivogur, sit back, relax, and enjoy the panoramic drive.

**Notes:**

- **Minimum age is 10 years.** Tour does not require hiking or strenuous walking. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Outer layer should be waterproof and windproof. Bring gloves, a warm hat and a scarf. Wear sturdy, non-skid walking shoes. Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations. Ride will be bumpy. Not suitable for pregnant women or guests with back or neck problems.

**Djupivogur & Nature Walk**

- **Departs:** 8:30 AM
- **Approximately 2 Hours**
- **Adult $79.95; Child $39.95**

Iceland’s scenery is unlike anyplace else and the small village of Djupivogur is surrounded by mountains, glaciers, lava formations, moss-covered cliffs and deep valleys. This outing offers an introduction to this stunning visual feast. It starts at the pier and is ideal for those interested in nature, local culture and history, and learning about the bird life in the area.

**Walk** with your guide to the **Bondavarda cache**. This is an age-old pile of rocks, similar to a cairn that was carefully assembled by people to guide others during the cold, dark winters. Bondavarda offers a fantastic view of the village and surrounding area. Within this vista is Bulandstindur Mountain -- a pyramid of basaltic strata counted as one of the mystical power centers of this intriguing country.

Take in the lovely view; then, your local guide will lead you down to Breidivogur and Fylyuvogur -- two small lakes. Here, you’ll find a hut used by bird watchers as a blind.

Continue into town, where you will visit an **arts and crafts shop**. Local artists make interesting items from wood and bones found in the vicinity.

**Notes:**

- **Bird sightings are likely but are not guaranteed.** The birds start migrating away around mid-August.

**Djupivogur Culture: A Walking Tour**

- **Departs:** 8:30 AM
- **Approximately 2 Hours**
- **Adult $79.95; Child $49.95**

Join your local guide and set out from **Djupivogur**’s old harbor on this tour that introduces you to the fascinating cultural aspect of this tiny town.

Head to **Audun’s Stone & Mineral Museum**. Audun -- a local man -- used to collect rocks and stones as a hobby. Now, it could more aptly be described as an obsession. When his collection grew to gargantuan proportions, he invested in a rock cutter and polishing equipment. The next step was to open a stone and mineral museum so that he could store, and of course share, his very interesting geode collection. During your visit, you’ll gain a whole new perspective on the hidden
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**Hoffellsjökull Glacier**

**Depart:** 8:30 AM  
Approximately 5½ Hours  
Adult $279.95; Child $129.95

Southeast Iceland is famous for its glacial landscapes, scenic mountains and coastal areas. The main emphasis of this outing is on geology, glaciology and climate change.

The drive from Djúpivogur to Höfn takes you through areas where the diverse, dynamic and unusual geology of Southeast Iceland is readily apparent.

You will stop at **Hoffellsjökull Glacier**, which is part of the larger Vatnajökull Glacier and **Vatnajökull National Park**. This is both scenic and educational -- the view of the glacier and its pro-glacial lake is breathtaking and it offers a textbook example of how glaciers in Iceland and, indeed, all over the world, have been affected by global climate change in the last century or so.

Next up is a short visit to the charming **Höfn Fishing Village & Local Culture**

**Depart:** 8:30 AM  
Approximately 4½ Hours  
Adult $269.95; Child $109.95

A vibrant social tapestry and a rich cultural history are alive and well in Southeast Iceland. This is your chance to learn about contemporary society and culture, as well as a bit of history, geology, glaciology and the country's abundant birdlife.

The drive between Djúpivogur and Höfn includes several stops en route. You’ll visit **Þvottá** (pronounced Thvott-au) -- site of the first Christian baptism in Iceland.

At **Hvalnes**, see a former farmstead and the home of the largest swan population in Iceland. **Almannaskard** offers a stunning panorama view of several glaciers and the Atlantic Ocean from a mountain pass -- an outlook that is not to be missed.

Höfn itself, your destination, is a thriving, picturesque fishing village surrounded by glaciers, beautiful mountains and the ocean.

Take in the exhibition at the **Information Center in Gamlabúð**, operated by Vatnajökull National Park, and the **Hornafjörður Maritime Museum**.

You will have time for a guided walk through the scenic and historically important harbor area.

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Djupivogur, Iceland - Saturday, August 28, 2021

**Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon & Scenic Drive**

**Departures:**
- 8:30 AM
- 9:00 AM

Approximately 6½ Hours
Adult $369.95; Child $169.95

**Notes:**
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Akureyri, Iceland - Sunday, August 29, 2021: Iceland’s second-largest city offers a picturesque harbor as well as numerous artists’ workshops and galleries. Explore the lunar landscape near Lake Myvatn, marveling at its tumultuous volcanic crater lake, boiling mud pools and steaming earth.

Akureyri Adventure: Polar Flight to Grimsey

Departs: 9:00 AM
Approximately 3 Hours
Price: Adult $419.95; Child $399.95

Transfer to Akureyri airport to board a light aircraft and enjoy a 20-minute scenic flight over Iceland’s picturesque northern region.

Bring your spirit of adventure as you cross the Arctic Circle to visit the remote island of Grimsey -- population 155. Only three square miles in size, Grimsey is green and grassy on the top, and surrounded by steep shoreline cliffs. You’ll hear colorful tales illuminating the local life and culture during a highly informative guided walk on the island.

The Arctic Circle passes straight through the middle of Grimsey, and you will receive a souvenir certificate to prove that you have crossed it.

Notes:

Aircraft used is a Twin Otter, Piper Chieftain or Fokker F-50. Many species of birds migrate away from Grimsey from mid-August so bird sightings may be limited after this time. Guests must be able to fit comfortably into the seating provided. There are some inclined surfaces to negotiate and rough grass/mud/gravel paths. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Outer layer should be waterproof and windproof. Bring gloves, a warm hat and a scarf. Part of the tour on Grimsey Island is a walking tour. Wear sturdy non-skid walking shoes.

The island of Grimsey is the northernmost region of Iceland, located at the Arctic Circle and sometimes it can get very foggy. For safety reasons, the aircraft supplier reserves the right to cancel the flight if weather or fog conditions are unfavorable. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child’s car seat from the tour operator; please see the Tour staff on board.

Lake Myvatn Ultimate Flight

Departs: 9:00 AM
Approximately 1¼ Hours
Price: $499.95

This brilliant flightseeing tour takes you over the dramatic landscape where Game of Thrones and Oblivion were filmed. Take off from Akureyri and head out with your pilot for a bird’s-eye view of numerous scenic attractions and natural geothermal phenomena.

(S)he will fly you over impressive Godafoss waterfall, the Lake Myvatn area and magical lava rocks. Watch for the Vatnajökull Glacier National Park and see Dettifoss -- the most powerful waterfall in Europe. Watch the water rushing through the magnificent Jökulsargljufur canyons, including stunning Asbyrgi Canyon. Legend holds that Asbyrgi was formed when Sleipnir -- the eight-legged horse owned by the Norse god Odinn -- took a giant step that created a horseshoe-shaped canyon surrounded by high cliffs. Scientists say that enormous, catastrophic glacial bursts carved out Asbyrgi’s deep ravines and rocky basins. What do you think? No matter how it came about, this area is famed for its beauty and is known as the Diamond of the North.

In the territory where Paganism met Christianity, you’ll fly over Godafoss waterfall. Keep in mind that this is the waterfall into which statues of the pagan gods were thrown when Iceland converted to Christianity a thousand years ago.

You’ll land back at Akureyri’s airstrip and visit the Flight Museum just a couple of minutes away. The museum offers a brief overview of Iceland’s aviation history. It’s the perfect way to end the day before you return to the ship.

Notes:

Guests must be able to fit comfortably into the seating provided. Seats are similar to compact car seat size. Legroom is limited. Each guest will receive headphones to wear during the flight. Go-Pro cameras are sometimes allowed; please check with the tour operator, who takes no responsibility for any damage to equipment. The tour operator reserves the right to cancel the tour in the case of unfavorable conditions.

Private Touring - Half Day Minivan

Departs: 9:00 AM
Approximately 4 Hours
Price: $1,199.00

Explore at your own pace with a private vehicle, and English-speaking driver-guide at your service. This exclusive tour is designed to allow you the chance to customize your time ashore and discover the most interesting sights in the comfort and privacy of your own vehicle. With your private vehicle, and the personalized attention of your English-speaking driver-guide, you will have the flexibility and independence to design your itinerary ashore according to your own interests, and take in the sights at your own pace. See the famous sights, or go beyond to create your own intimate connections and unique cultural encounters. The Signature Collection is recommended for the single/solo traveler, couples, family, friends, and special-interest groups traveling together. It can also be an excellent choice for guests with mobility limitations.

Capacity: 7 guests. Your private party may be of any size up to the maximum capacity.

Notes:

Private vehicles are ordered per vehicle (not per person), so only one person in the party needs to order the vehicle. The price shown is the total cost for the vehicle and English-
speaking driver-guide. Entrance fees for attractions are not included. In many destinations, the number of vehicles available is extremely limited, so guests are encouraged to secure their private vehicle reservation as early as possible.
Isafjordur, Iceland - Monday, August 30, 2021: This busy fishing port runs to sizable shipyards as well as shrimp and fish factories—all ready to handle the catch of the day from the icy waters of the Denmark Strait. Perfect jumping-off place for hiking, biking and kayaking.

Arctic Foxes & Avalanches

Depart: 12:30 PM  Approximately 3 Hours
Adult $149.95; Child $49.95

Learn about the Arctic fox during a visit to the charming and quaint village of Súðavík. The drive from the pier to Súðavík village is a scenic one, with majestic snow-white and gray-striped mountains set against the sky and the ever-changing ocean below.

Súðavík is small, with only 200 inhabitants. It was founded in the 19th century when Norwegian fishermen established two whaling stations in the fjord thus creating new employment possibilities. The village is divided into two halves -- the Old Town and the New Town. The Old Town was hit by a huge avalanche during the winter of 1995, destroying part of the village and claiming numerous lives. After the avalanche the villagers sought a safer place to build new houses and that's how the New Town came into existence.

In the middle of the divided town you will find the Arctic Fox Center -- a non-profit research center and museum dedicated to the only native terrestrial mammal in Iceland. The museum focuses on the biology and natural history of the Arctic fox as well as the social history of Iceland in relation to it. Enjoy coffee and refreshments in the lovely café.

Visit the local church for a traditional Icelandic music program. The church was originally built in Hesteyri -- a village that later was abandoned. Several decades later it was moved to its current location despite vehement protests by the former villagers of Hesteyri.

Continue your drive to the Langeyri Peninsula. Two whaling stations that used to be located here provided work for more than a hundred people. Little remains of this industry today except for a few old whalebones that lie on the coast.

Before heading back to Ísafjörður and the ship, you'll stop briefly in the fjord to visit the avalanche memorial.

Notes:

- It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Wear sturdy, closed-toe, non-skid shoes. Bring a wind- and waterproof outer layer and a hat. Due to Sudavik's remoteness and the scarcity of professional guides, all guiding is handled by locals; some are not professional but all have great experience of guiding and extensive knowledge of the area.

Biking in Bolungarvik

Depart: 10:00 AM  Approximately 3 Hours  Price $239.95

This biking tour for the really adventurous guest involves cycling along a ghost road -- a road once used by traffic but now closed to vehicles and open only for non-motorized recreational use.

Once reputedly among Iceland’s "most dangerous" roads, Öshlíð connects two towns in the West Fjords -- Ísafjörður and Bolungarvík. It is famous for its enormous cliffs and steep mountains on one side, and the roaring ocean on the other. It is perfect for bikers and runners -- for anyone seeking fresh air, rugged landscape views, fjord scenery and the great outdoors.

Your bike adventure starts out in the town of Ísafjörður, where you will gear up with a bike and set off towards the small village of Hnífsdalur. Hnífsdalur is home to only 250 people, but its depth of history is evident as you pass through.

En route to Bolungarvík, a couple of stops allow you to rest and take some beautiful photographs, including a stop at an elevated viewpoint of the Nature Reserve. The stunningly beautiful aesthetic enhancement to your adventure is the deep, cold and beautiful Icefjord.

Notes:

- Due to Sudavik’s remoteness and the scarcity of professional guides, all guiding is handled by locals; some are not professional but all have great experience of guiding and extensive knowledge of the area. This tour is only for the very physically active. It is three hours of cycling over 15 miles with an elevation gain of 1,180 feet. The road is unpaved in places and the surface is rough; the tall cliffs tend to slough rocks and gravel onto the right of way. Dress in layers. Wear a daypack, sunglasses, comfortable clothing, and shoes suitable for a bike ride. Bring a waterproof outer layer and bottled water.

Calm Fjord Kayaking

Depart: 9:00 AM  Approximately 2 Hours  Price $139.95

Grab a paddle and get ready for an unforgettable adventure. Fjord kayaking is not only a healthy and rewarding way to spend the day; it’s also a perfect way to get to know Icelandic nature up close. The Westfjords have earned a deserved reputation for being the ultimate nature- and adventure-lovers’ paradise.

Notes:

- Minimum weight is 77lbs. Minimum age is 12 years.

Upon arrival in Bolungarvík, board a mini-coach for transportation back to Ísafjörður.
Kayaking will appeal to those wishing to approach the fjord’s beauty from another angle. Paddling a kayak under the magnificent mountains towering over the town offers proximity to nature from a new and exciting perspective. Weather permitting, guests will enjoy paddling the kayak while embracing the stunning scenery.

Notes:

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Next, acquaint yourself with beautiful Sudureyri village -- a destination you feel like you’ve got all to yourself. In Sudureyri, it’s all about fish. This is your chance to hear about life at the edge of the Arctic Circle and to see for yourself how this thriving community processes Iceland’s ocean bounty. Enjoy a taste of fresh fish while listening to local stories. Learn how Iceland’s first-class export produce can be on your dinner plate in North America just 36 hours after leaving the icy-cold Atlantic Ocean. It might also surprise you to hear that sustainability is king here -- this small, forward-thinking village has an eye on the future at all times.

Notes:

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Visit Skrúður – the first Icelandic botanic garden, founded in 1909. This small garden is the brainchild of the former minister and principal of Núpur -- cultivation pioneer of Iceland. He grew plants and vegetables that nobody ever dreamed could germinate so far north or in such a rugged landscape and harsh climate.

You’ll drive to Flateyri village, which was formed around the shark-fishing industry in the mid-19th century. In Flateyri, leave the bus at a charming, small and intimate church, quite typical of the smaller towns in Iceland. Step into the church to hear an Icelandic music program; then, stroll with your guide down the small main street of Flateyri.

Visit the old bookstore and the merchant’s home, where you’ll find an exhibit explaining the history of Flateyri.

In the next building, relax and enjoy a coffee break. Homemade Icelandic cakes are served with coffee or tea.

Notes:

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**Dynjandi Waterfall & Sudureyri: A Taste of the Westfjords**

*Departs: 9:00 AM | Approximately 6½ Hours | Adult $329.95; Child $159.95*

In a land blessed with thousands of waterfalls, it is indeed a privilege to visit the one that many Icelanders claim is the most beautiful of all. Dynjandi Falls is your destination today.

From Isafjordur, you’ll set out on a panoramic drive through the breathtaking scenery of the Westfjords area. The route takes you across an unforgiving landscape of jagged mountain ridges and narrow passes. The coast is lined with steep slopes and deep fjords, where farms and villages huddle together on narrow strips of land that reluctantly yield a living for the hardy souls that tend them. Take advantage of a number of scenic photo opportunities along the way.

The Dynjandi waterfall itself features a tall upper cascade and tiered terraces, ending with a free-fall into the pool below. Your guide will lead you on a walk up to the falls for a closer view.

**Fjords & Flowers**

*Departs: 8:30 AM | Approximately 3 Hours | Adult $164.95; Child $79.95*

Driving among the mountains of Isafjördur affords an excellent view of the harsh local landscape, where narrow passes cross sharp mountain ridges, deep fjords shelter farms and villages huddled on narrow strips of land.
Isafjordur, Iceland - Monday, August 30, 2021

this tour on gravel paths and uneven surfaces. Not advisable for guests using a wheelchair. Suitable for guests with mobility limitations with a companion to assist. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child’s car seat from the tour operator; please see the tour staff on board.

### Hesteyri & Glacier Fjord Cruise

**Departs:** 8:30 AM  
**Approximately 4½ Hours**  
**Adult $169.95; Child $79.95**

Visit the abandoned village of **Hesteyri,** reached only by a 70-minute boat ride.

The landscape in Jökulfirdir Fjord is very beautiful, with impressive, steep snow-flecked mountains and quiet, secluded coves. In the late 1940s, all 80 inhabitants of Hesteyri village made the decision to move away. At the time, they were living without telephone, electricity and roads. By 1952, the village was completely abandoned.

**Stroll** through the village with your guide, enjoying **traditional Icelandic refreshments** at the old doctor’s house. You will feel the distinctly eerie atmosphere of this unusual place where time seems to have stood still.

A renowned crime and thriller Icelandic author Yrsa Sigurðardóttir wrote a fantastic ghost story *Ég Man Þig* (Remember You) whose plot takes place on Hesteyri Island. The story was recently made into a movie filmed on location here during the winter.

**Notes:**

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Your journey begins with a **panoramic drive** from Isafjordur to the old **Viking village of Thingeyri.** Walk through a recreated Viking area, learning about what is fact and what is fiction in the many stories you’ve heard about the famous Vikings. A short hike brings you to the old ruins of the Viking meeting place called a **Thing** -- the closest translation of this in English is ‘parliament’.

Step inside the interactive **Viking Museum** for a chance to dress up in authentic hand-sewn Viking clothing, take photographs, drink Icelandic Viking beer, bake your own Viking bread, and explore the museum -- all part of learning more about Viking ways.

After your Viking experience, head back to before heading back to Isafjordur.

**Notes:**

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### Life & Culture of Isafjordur

**Departs:** 1:00 PM  
**Approximately 3 Hours**  
**Adult $154.95; Child $79.95**

From Isafjörður harbor, you will head through the center of town with a stop at the Osvör 19th-century **fisherman’s hut,** restored in 1988.

Drive through Bolungavík village and back to Isafjörður with views of the magnificent mountains and Westfjord -- a beautiful but sometimes harsh landscape.

You will also see the Buná Tunguá River and the waterfall in Tunguskogur, and sip fresh mountain water that flows down the stream. What could be more clear and refreshing!

Finally, see the **Maritime Museum of Isafjörður,** located in one of the town’s oldest houses (1780).

**Notes:**

Approximately 50 steps must be negotiated at Osvör. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Wear sturdy, closed-toe, non-skid shoes. Bring a wind- and waterproof outer layer and a hat. Due to Sudavik’s remoteness and the scarcity of professional guides, all guiding is handled by locals; some are not professional but all have great experience of guiding and extensive knowledge of the area.

Parents traveling with children under the age
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The Back Streets of Isafjordur

Stroll through Westfjord's largest town, Ísafjörður, with your local guide. Ísafjörður is interesting to explore on foot -- its back streets and old houses are unique in all of Iceland.

The town boasts a significant role in the history of this isolated country and many well-known persons have made their homes here, including Ólafur Ragnar Grimsson -- Iceland's fifth president.

Snap a photo of some of the local landmarks - - including the fisherman's monument -- and peer into the windows of the local shops.

End your tour outside the Maritime Museum. Take a photos and, if you wish, you can step inside the museum to explore some more (at your own expense). Your guide will bid you goodbye in front of the museum and you can walk back to the pier (just a couple of minutes away). Guests who wish to stay in town to shop or explore independently are welcome to do so, but must make their own way back to the ship.

Notes:
Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

Snow Mountain Coast) watching for whales

A 10-minute walk from the pier brings you to a comfortable boat. Find a seat inside if you wish, or step outside to take in the spectacular views. You're headed across the waters of Isafjardardjup -- one Iceland's largest fjord systems that is home to eight different individual fjords, beautiful inner fjords and picturesque mountain ranges.

Cruise along the beautiful Snaefjallaströnd (Snow Mountain Coast) while searching for local wildlife in its beautiful natural environment.

Notes:
Due to its remoteness and with scarcity of professional guides, all guiding is handled by locals, some are not professional but all have great experience of guiding and good knowledge of the area. The Maritime Museum is not included; the guide will leave you outside the museum and you are free to enter on your own and at your own expense. You will walk back to the pier unescorted -- it is only a couple of minutes away. Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations. Suitable for guests using a wheelchair, with a companion to assist. Restrooms are not wheelchair accessible. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Bring a wind- and waterproof outer layer and a hat. Wear sturdy, non-skid walking shoes.

Whale Watching & Wildlife Cruise

Departs: 1:00 PM
Approximately 3 Hours
Adult $219.95; Child $99.95

Enjoy the breathtaking landscapes of Iceland's Westfjords area while searching for local wildlife in its beautiful natural environment.

A 10-minute walk from the pier brings you to a comfortable boat. Find a seat inside if you wish, or step outside to take in the spectacular views. You're headed across the waters of Isafjardardjup -- one Iceland's largest fjord systems that is home to eight different individual fjords, beautiful inner fjords and picturesque mountain ranges.

Notes:
Wildlife sightings are likely but are not guaranteed; however, the success rate for seeing whales on this tour is very high. Prime time for whale watching in Iceland is the late spring to early autumn months (May through September). Guests who suffer from motion sickness should consider this before booking and/or take appropriate medication. There are several steps to negotiate to reach the inside seating on the boat. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Outer layer should be waterproof and windproof. Bring gloves, a warm hat and a scarf. Wear sturdy, non-skid, close-toe walking shoes (preferably waterproof) with thick wool socks.

Whale Watching from Isafjordur by RIB Boat

Departs: 12:30 PM
2 Hours
Adult $249.95; Child $139.95

Head out on a thrilling two-hour sightseeing and whale safari from Isafjordur. This small town in the Westfjords of Iceland offers a magnificent view over the surrounding landscape. You'll explore this scenery from a seaside perspective.

Board a RIB boat (rigid inflatable), providing an intimate experience while being environmentally friendly. You'll start with safety briefing and put on a set of warm overalls and a life jacket. These will keep you warm out on the sea. Heading away from the town, you will skim across the water to Isafjarðardjúp -- the stunning fjord region just a short distance from Ísafjörður. The area is very remote, and typically the whales are both plentiful and friendly, sometimes even showing off for visitors. You'll pass the beautiful bird island of Vigur or the Snaefjallaströnd (Snow Mountain Coast). Watch for several different kinds of birds that make their homes here -- puffins, eider ducks and other seabirds. It is also common to see seals frolicking in the waters. You'll stop for photos as needed.

Weather and wildlife conditions dictate the route, so every outing brings an entirely unique adventure.

Notes:
Minimum age is 4 years. Not suitable for
pregnant women or for guests with a heart condition, back conditions or mobility limitations. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Outer layer should be waterproof and windproof. Bring gloves, a warm hat and a scarf. Do not wear jeans. Wear warm underclothes and sturdy, non-skid shoes with thick, warm wool socks. Wear the warmest appropriate footwear you have, as it can be quite cold on the fjord. The tour enjoys a 90%+ success rate in spotting whales. Wildlife sightings are likely but not guaranteed. Many seabirds start migrating away around mid-August. Due to Sudavik’s remoteness and the scarcity of professional guides, all guiding is handled by locals; some are not professional but all have great experience of guiding and extensive knowledge of the area.
Reykjavík, Iceland - Tuesday, August 31, 2021:  Geysers, hot springs and fields of cooled lava are testament to Iceland’s volcanic origins. Swim in the naturally warmed Blue Lagoon.

**Bathing in the Blue Lagoon**

- **Departs:** 8:30 AM
- **Approximately 3½ Hours**
- **Adult $179.95; Child $109.95**

The Blue Lagoon is located southeast of Reykjavík, near the fishing village of Grindavík, on the Reykjanes peninsula.

A high-temperature geothermal field supplies the Reykjanes district with hot water and steam to run a power plant, and it is the mineral-rich overflow water from this operation that fills the bathing lagoon. The geothermal water is pumped up from 6,000 feet below the earth’s surface. High levels of silica, minerals and algae give the Blue Lagoon its rich, blue color and also form a light natural sediment on the bottom. Don’t miss this chance to relax in the refreshing waters of the Blue Lagoon, whose healing properties are legendary. You’ll head straight to the lagoon where you will spend approximately two hours relaxing in the delightfully warm water and enjoying the natural resources of Iceland.

The Blue Lagoon Comfort Package offers you a silica mask, a towel, and a cooling drink while enjoying the warm waters of the Blue Lagoon. **Notes:**

Minimum age is 2 years. Bring your swimsuit. Towels are provided. The changing rooms are gender divided, but are European-style (not private). Lockers (locked with digital wristbands), showers, hair conditioner and soap are included. US dollars (bills only; no coins), euros or Icelandic kroner and major credit cards are accepted. Hygiene regulations require that you shower with soap and without a swimsuit before entering the lagoon. Shoes are not to be worn inside the locker room area; they are to be stored on shoe shelves or in plastic bags inside lockers. The water is very warm. Please ensure you are hydrated. The minerals in the water make hair dry and coarse, but it returns to normal after a few showers. You may wish to ensure you don’t get your hair wet. The Blue Lagoon sells special hair conditioners and recommends that long hair is put up before you enter the lagoon. Do not wear jewelry in the water, as the minerals can stain metal. Although the lockers are safe, you are advised not to bring valuables to the lagoon. Floors may be slippery; take care when walking inside locker area and out to the lagoon. Guests with heart conditions should seek advice from their doctor prior to booking.

**Best of the Golden Circle by Private Van**

- **Departs:** 9:00 AM
- **Approximately 7 Hours**
- **Price $1,249.00**

From Reykjavík you will drive over the Mosfellsheidi Heath to beautiful Thingvellir National Park -- a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a primary site of Iceland’s geological and historic heritage.

Walk through a massive geological fault to the place where the Icelandic Althingi -- Europe’s oldest national legislative assembly -- was established in AD 930. Astonishingly, the Althingi convened here in grandiose surroundings every summer for nearly eight centuries. It eventually moved to Reykjavík.

Continue over the Lyngdalsheidi Heath and into the fertile farmlands of the south for a visit to the enormous, spectacular, roaring Gullfoss. Many people feel that this is Iceland’s most beautiful waterfall -- what do you think?

Nearby, you will also stop at the Geysir Geothermal Area with its multitude of hot springs. The most active geyser spouts every few minutes, erupting in an eye-popping display of boiling water and cooling spray. This is a glimpse of the raw power of nature.

Returning through the Grímsnes region, you will also see Hveragerdi Village, where geothermally heated water is used to support an extensive greenhouse produce-growing industry.

Broad Lyngdalsheidi Heath leads to the fertile farmlands of the south and to perhaps Iceland’s most beautiful waterfall -- Gullfoss. Nearby is the truly fascinating Geysir geothermal area, with its multitude of hot springs. The most active geyser spouts every few minutes and is riveting to watch. A two-course dinner and coffee are served at a restaurant nearby.

**Best of the Golden Circle: Evening Edition**

- **Departs:** 2:30 PM
- **Approximately 7½ Hours**
- **Adult $189.95; Child $79.95**

Conducted in broad daylight, this evening tour from Reykjavík takes you past the city’s geothermal power plant for a quick photo stop. You’ll also pass through Hveragerdi village, where geothermally heated water is used to support an extensive greenhouse produce-growing industry.

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Next up is a short drive over to the stunning Thingvellir National Park -- a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a primary site of Iceland’s geological and political heritage. Walk through a massive geological fault to the...
place where Europe's oldest national legislative assembly, the Icelandic Althingi, was established in AD 930. Astonishingly, this age-old parliament convened here in magnificent natural surroundings every summer for nearly eight centuries.

Cross the Mosfellsheidi Heath and pass through the Reykjavik city center en route back to the pier.

Notes:
Dress for the weather. Wear sturdy walking shoes. Guests who prefer to stay on the coach may do so at most stops; however, all guests must leave the coach during the driver's break. Guests using a cane, walker, or manual collapsible wheelchair must be able to negotiate a few steps in order to (dis)embark the coach. Collapsible wheelchairs/scooters can be stored on the coach; full measurements of the wheelchair/scooter must be provided to the tour staff on board the ship a few days prior to arrival in Reykjavik. Most attractions are wheelchair/scooter accessible; please be mindful that accessible areas may offer a slightly different angle/point-of-view than ambulatory guests may encounter. The dinner venue is wheelchair accessible.

**Best of the Golden Circle: Thingvellir, Waterfalls & Geysirs**

- **Departs:** 8:30 AM
- **Approximately 8 Hours**
- **Adult $189.95; Child $99.95**

From Reykjavik, you will drive across the Mosfellsheidi Heath to beautiful **Thingvellir National Park -- a UNESCO World Heritage Site** and a primary site of Iceland's geological and historic heritage.

Walk through a massive geological fault to the place where Europe's oldest national legislative assembly, the Icelandic Althingi, was established in AD 930. Astonishingly, it convened here in grandiose surroundings every summer for nearly eight centuries.

Your tour continues over the Lyngdalsheidi Heath into the fertile farmlands of the south, for a visit to Iceland’s most beautiful waterfall -- **Gullfoss**.

Nearby, you'll also stop at the **Geysir Geothermal Area** with its multitude of hot springs. The most active geyser spouts every few minutes.

A two-course **lunch** and coffee will be served at a restaurant nearby. Returning through the Grimnes region, you will also pass Hveragerdi Village, where geothermal water has been used to build an extensive greenhouse industry.

Enjoy a panoramic drive through Reykjavik’s city center before reaching the pier.

**Countless Craters by Helicopter**

- **Departs:** 10:45 AM
- **Approximately 1 ¾ Hours**
- **Price $809.95**

Explore the countless craters of the Reykjanes Peninsula, with absolutely amazing scenery, on this **helicopter flight**.

Catch a glimpse of the rough but magical beauty that embodies Iceland’s volcanic landscape. As you soar above the lunar-like Reykjanes Peninsula, you’ll truly appreciate its grandeur on a scale that is possible only from air. You will see virtually endless volcanic craters, the Seltún geothermal area, rugged coastline, the Blue Lagoon, Lake Kleifarvatn and Lake Grænavatn. This area is a constant reminder of the untamed power that sculpted the island.

**Dutch Guided: Best of the Golden Circle: Thingvellir, Waterfalls & Geysirs**

- **Departs:** 8:30 AM
- **Approximately 8 Hours**
- **Adult $189.95; Child $89.95**

A Dutch-speaking guide leads this tour (or a guide with a Dutch interpreter). A limited number of Dutch guides and interpreters are available in this port; book early to avoid disappointment. This is not a bilingual tour; please see Best of the Golden Circle: Thingvellir, Gullfoss & Geysir for the same tour guided in English.

From Reykjavik, you will drive across the Mosfellsheidi Heath to beautiful **Thingvellir National Park -- a UNESCO World Heritage Site** and a primary site of Iceland’s geological and historic heritage.

Walk through a massive geological fault to the place where Europe’s oldest national
legislative assembly, the Icelandic Althing, was established in AD 930. Astonishingly, it convened here in grandiose surroundings every summer for nearly eight centuries.

Your tour continues over the Lyngdalsheidi Heath into the fertile farmlands of the south, for a visit to Iceland’s most beautiful waterfall — Gullfoss.

Nearby, you’ll also stop at the Geysir Geothermal Area with its multitude of hot springs. The most active geyser spouts every few minutes.

A two-course lunch and coffee will be served at a restaurant nearby. Returning through the Grímsnes region, you will also pass Hveragerdi Village, where geothermal water has been used to build an extensive greenhouse industry.

Enjoy a panoramic drive through Reykjavík’s city center before reaching the pier.

Notes:

Guests who prefer to stay on the coach may do so at most stops; however, all guests must leave the coach during the driver's lunch break. Collapsible wheelchairs/scooters can be stored on the coach; full measurements of the wheelchair/scooter must be provided to the EXC Tours office on board the ship a few days prior to arrival in Reykjavík. The attractions are mostly wheelchair/scooter accessible; please be mindful that accessible areas may offer a slightly different angle/point-of-view than ambulatory guests may encounter. The lunch venue is wheelchair accessible. Dietary requests must be received 48 hours before ship's arrival. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child’s car seat from the tour operator; please see the tour staff on board.

**Easy Reykjavik**

*Departs: 10:00 AM*  
*Approximately 2½ Hours*  
*Adult $49.95; Child $29.95*

View Reykjavik's highlights -- perfect for guests with mobility limitations and for those wishing to see and learn a lot in a relatively short space of time.

The Reykjavik capital area consists of seven municipalities with approximately 190,000 inhabitants. With plenty of space, clean air and natural green energy, Reykjavik clearly reveals in its reputation as being one of the most modern, forward-thinking societies in Europe. The city's 'Pure Energy' slogan says it all.

View such landmarks as the Laugardalur sport and recreational area with its open-air geothermal swimming pool, the spectacular coastline and harbor area, and Höfdi House. The latter is where the Cold War officially ended in 1986 with a meeting between President Reagan and General Secretary Gorbachev.

Take a panoramic drive to picturesque Hafnarfjörður (Harbor Fjord). This lovely town is a friendly seaside community, home to varied birdlife, numerous natural wonders, and -- for true believers -- the home of the huldufólk. These mysterious but friendly elves live in the many lava rocks scattered throughout the town. Hafnarfjörður is also known as the land of lava and Vikings.

Driving back to Reykjavik, you will drive past Hallgrímskirkja Church and through Reykjavik's colorful old quarter with its quaint wooden houses and narrow streets.

Learn the basics of geothermal energy, observe a little of Iceland’s geological phenomena, and enjoy the varied landscapes. You will also see the many faces of Iceland’s amazing architecture, both past and present.

Notes:

Dress warmly in layers Wear sturdy, non-skid shoes. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child’s car seat from the tour operator; please see the Tour staff on board. This tour predominantly consists of sightseeing from the coach.

**Golden Circle & Horse Show**

*Departs: 8:30 AM*  
*Approximately 8½ Hours*  
*Adult $219.95; Child $99.95*  

Enjoy an in-depth perspective of the Golden Circle with some extra attractions.

From Reykjavik you will drive over the Mosfellshöfði Heath to beautiful Þingvellir National Park — a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a primary site of Iceland’s geological and historic heritage. It was here in AD 930 that the Vikings formed the Alþingi -- the oldest parliament in the world still in existence today.

Continue over the Lyngdalsheiði Heath into the fertile farmlands of the south to visit the Gullfoss golden waterfall.

A light lunch will be served at the Gullfoss Café.

A few minutes' drive away is the great Geysir Geothermal Area, which has given its name to hot springs (geysers) all over the world. Here, you will see one of the most active geysers in the area, Strokkur, spouting up to 90 feet every few minutes.

Next, you’ll drive to Faxi Waterfall to view Icelandic sheep pens and a salmon ladder.

At Fridheimar, watch a professional display showcasing the particular gait of the Icelandic horse. The show is both educational and entertaining, and gives an insight into a magnificent breed that has been intertwined with the culture and history of the Icelandic nation through the centuries. After the show, check out the stables, where you can get close to the horses, take pictures and chat with the riders.

Then, it's on to the Grímsnes region with a stop at the impressive Kerid volcanic crater, which forms part of a group of volcanic hills thought to have been created around 6,000 years ago.

Head back to Reykjavik via Hellisheiði Heið with a short stop at the Hellisheiði Power Plant.

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embark on a once-in-a-lifetime adventure discovering the volcanic environs of the reykjanes peninsula.

the adrenaline kicks in pier side as you board your specially modified super truck -- your transportation for today's volcanic journey. your first stop is at the perfectly formed lava ring and crater of stóra eldborg (3,000 years old) where you will take an invigorating hike up the steep flanks of the crater, enjoying breath-taking views of the lunar-like surroundings on your way to the top.

next on the agenda is a lava-tube caving experience. following a short drive, and subsequent walk over spongy moss and uneven ground, your guide will locate the almost undetectable cave entrance via gps.

gear up, donning a safety helmet, and grab a high-beam flashlight to embark on a journey into the mysterious depths of the icelandic underworld.

visit the bubbling hot springs and fumaroles at the high temperature geothermal field of krysuvík, located in the middle of the fissure zone that traverses iceland.

in the nearby fishing village of grindavik, a lunch of lobster (langoustine) soup is served with freshly baked bread.

returning to civilization, you will head back to reykjavík and the ship.

Notes:

walking and caving are required of all participants. this tour is a grade 4 hike (with 5 being the most difficult). suitable only for guests who are physically fit. please realistically assess your physical fitness and ability prior to booking, as the walk is uphill, over unpaved, rough walking tracks with many steps and the walk up to stóra eldborg crater is a large area of very loose gravel. pregnant women are not allowed to participate. not suitable for guests with back or neck conditions. minimum age is 8 years. dress warmly in layers. wear sturdy, non-skid walking or hiking shoes. the cave is small and tight; not suitable for persons that suffer from claustrophobia. helmets with headlights are provided. the vehicle rides very high; participants must be able to (dis)embark the vehicle without assistance. dietary requests must be made on board the ship well prior to the call at reykjavík.

Reykjavík 64 Degree Distillery: In Partnership with Food & Wine Magazine

Depart: 4:45 PM
Approximately 2½ Hours
Price $129.95

Meet your guide and board a coach for the short and scenic drive through Hafrnarfjörður to the 64° Reykjavík Distillery. Located in the town of lava, Vikings and elves, 64° Reykjavík was established in 2009 and is the first Icelandic distillery of its kind.

This is a special behind-the-scenes tour so, when you arrive at the distillery, you'll be greeted by the owner, Snorri Jonsson. Snorri is an expert on Iceland’s old-time foraging culture. He will personally guide you through the distillery, offering snippets of history, explaining the process and, of course, letting you taste his handcrafted spirits.

Jonsson and his team of distillers are passionate about capturing the diverse flavors of Iceland, and they harvest all the ingredients locally, from blueberries, juniper, crowberry and rhubarb to wild herbs. This fun and informative visit sets the tone for a very personalized and intimate glimpse of Reykjavik.

Notes:

In the unusual event that owner Snorri Jonsson is not available to greet you, another distiller will lead you through the facility. Minimum age to sample the spirits is 20 years.

Reykjavík Highlights

Depart: 9:00 AM
Approximately 3 Hours
Adult $79.95; Child $59.95

Begin your tour of Reykjavík, the world’s northernmost capital, at the Árbær Open-Air Museum, whose specific purpose is to preserve and showcase a selection of old Icelandic houses, furnishings and implements.

Next, relax for a panoramic drive past Reykjavík’s largest outdoor swimming pool in laugardalur, heated with water from natural hot springs under the city. Watch for the sculpture garden adjacent to the Asmundur Sveinsson Museum.

Stop briefly at Höfði House, where the Reagan-Gorbachev summit took place in 1986, ending the Cold War.

Continue driving to the Pearl -- a glass dome built over the hot water tanks that store water for the greater Reykjavik area -- enjoy panoramic vistas of the city from the viewing deck.

Watch for the beautiful Hallgrímskirkja Church, whose steeple is a Reykjavik landmark.

Your tour will be complete with a drive into the charming city center where you will see various landmarks including the Town Hall, the cathedral, and other interesting buildings.
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**Notes:**

Walking at the Perlan Viewpoint is over paved and even surfaces. Elevators take visitors to the viewing platform on the 4th floor. Dress warmly and in layers for the day's weather conditions. Wear sturdy, closed-toe, non-skid shoes.

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The Árbær Museum is an open-air museum with gravel paths and some inclines between houses. The houses are small and have narrow entrances and low ceilings. Take care when entering the houses, as some have low doorways. Dress warmly in layers. Wear sturdy non-skid walking shoes. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child’s car seat from the tour operator; please see the Tour staff on board.

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**Whale Watching Experience**

- **Departs:** 8:30 AM
- **Approximately 4 Hours**
- **Adult $149.95; Child $59.95**

Iceland is widely recognized as the 'whale watching capital of northern Europe'.

Enjoy this exciting three-hour **boat** trip searching for **whales**. The potential for seeing them is excellent, with so many species of whales (blue, fin, humpbacks, minke and sei whales). About half of the 36 whale species that live in the North Atlantic can be seen in Icelandic waters. No two trips are ever the same and consequently there is always an air of excitement and anticipation.

On board the boat, you will find a comfortable dining room with a bar. There is also seating on the boat's deck for those who want to enjoy close proximity to spectacular Icelandic nature and seascapes.

**Notes:**

Tour operates weather permitting. The tour operator reserves the right to cancel the tour if conditions are unfavorable. Guests who suffer from motion sickness should consider this tour before booking and/or take appropriate medication. Wildlife sightings are likely but not guaranteed; however, the success rate for seeing whales on this tour is very high. Refreshments are not included, but can be purchased on board at your own expense. There are several steps to negotiate on the boat; flooring can be very slippery. Not advisable for guests using a wheelchair; although the whale-watching boat itself is accessible, the cafeteria and shelter from weather are not accessible and there is not accessible restroom on board. Bring a warm down (or similar) jacket; wear long thermal underwear and several layers of wool and/or polypro (not cotton) as it is very cool out on the water. Bring a hat, gloves and scarf. Wear sturdy, non-skid walking shoes. The whale watching boat may not be exclusive to Holland America Line guests.
**Bathing in the Blue Lagoon**

Departs: 8:30 AM
Approximately 3½ Hours
Adult $179.95; Child $109.95

The Blue Lagoon is located southeast of Reykjavik, near the fishing village of Grindavík, on the Reykjanes peninsula.

A high-temperature geothermal field supplies the Reykjanes district with hot water and steam to run a power plant, and it is the mineral-rich overflow water from this operation that fills the bathing lagoon. The geothermal water is pumped up from 6,000 feet below the earth’s surface. High levels of silica, minerals and algae give the Blue Lagoon its rich, blue color and also form a light natural sediment on the bottom.

Don’t miss this chance to relax in the refreshing waters of the Blue Lagoon, whose healing properties are legendary. You’ll head straight to the lagoon where you will spend approximately two hours relaxing in the delightfully warm water and enjoying the natural resources of Iceland.

The Blue Lagoon Comfort Package offers you a silica mask, a towel, and a cooling drink while enjoying the warm waters of the Blue Lagoon. **Notes:**

Minimum age is 2 years. Bring your swimsuit. Towels are provided. The changing rooms are gender divided, but are European-style (not private). Lockers (locked with digital wristbands), showers, hair conditioner and soap are included. US dollars (bills only; no coins), euros or Icelandic kroner and major credit cards are accepted. Hygiene regulations require that you shower with soap and without a swimsuit before entering the lagoon. Shoes are not to be worn inside the locker room area; they are to be stored on shoe shelves or in plastic bags inside lockers. The water is very warm. Please ensure you are hydrated. The minerals in the water make hair dry and coarse, but it returns to normal after a few showers. You may wish to ensure you don’t get your hair wet. The Blue Lagoon sells special hair conditioners and recommends that long hair is put up before you enter the lagoon. Do not wear jewelry in the water, as the minerals can stain metal. Although the lockers are safe, you are advised not to bring valuables to the lagoon. Floors may be slippery; take care when walking inside locker area and out to the lagoon. Guests with heart conditions should seek advice from their doctor prior to booking.

**Countless Craters by Helicopter**

Departs: 10:45 AM
Approximately 1½ Hours
Price $809.95

Explore the countless craters of the Reykjanes Peninsula, with absolutely amazing scenery, on this helicopter flight.

Catch a glimpse of the rough but magical beauty that embodies Iceland's volcanic landscape. As you soar above the lunar-like Reykjanes Peninsula, you’ll truly appreciate its grandeur on a scale that is possible only from the air. You will see virtually endless volcanic craters, the Seltún geothermal area, rugged coastline, the Blue Lagoon, Lake Kleifarvatn and Lake Grænavatn. This area is a constant reminder of the untamed power that sculpted the island.

**Notes:**

Your flight departs from Reykjavik’s domestic airport, located in the heart of the city. Participants must be able to walk unassisted up 5-10 steps into the aircraft. Boarding the helicopter may present difficulties for guests with mobility limitations. Dress warmly in layers Wear sturdy, non-skid shoes. Guests weighing 265 lbs (120 kg) or more will be required to pay an additional surcharge over the published fare.

**Glacier Safari by 4-Wheel-Drive & Ice Cave**

Departs: 8:30 AM
Approximately 8½ Hours
Adult $529.95; Child $399.95

Today’s great adventure begins at the pier as you board a larger-than-life modified super-truck. Head out to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Thingvellir, where you will stop among the landscape of Iceland’s early parliament before delving into its majestic hinterland.

Drive along the dramatic Cold Valley to Langjökull Glacier. Langjökull (Long Glacier) is 4,460 feet long and covers an area of about 366 square miles about 4,000 feet above sea level.

Upon arrival at the glacier, it’s all action, and your expert driver will take your super-truck adventure to the next level. This involves a once-in-a-lifetime journey over the ice and snow to the Ice Cave -- a classy new attraction located on the flanks of Iceland’s second-largest glacier. The Ice Cave is a manmade cave that stretches deep into the glacier and consists of a series of tunnels and caves carved through solid glacier ice. Crevasses that pull the glacier apart, along with sunlight penetrating the packed ice, are among the natural wonders you’ll see. A cave-like tunnel leads into the icy underground and as the ice gets older the color changes from white to a magnificent, deep blue. The Ice Cave is located about 100 feet below the glacier’s surface and stretches approximately 800 feet in length.

During your guided glacier visit, you’ll enjoy an introduction to glaciology and learn about the effect climate change has on glaciers. The cave also provides glaciologists, meteorologists and other scientists with an opportunity to study the glacier in a new way.

Following this amazing experience, head back to the woodlands of Húsafell to your lunch destination.
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After lunch, you will drive to the nearby Hraunfoss and Barnafoss waterfalls -- two of Iceland's most picturesque cascades.

The ride back to Reykjavik will take you through the Hvalfjordur Tunnel, along the coastline and back to the pier.

Notes:
The vehicles ride in a convoy formation; commentary may be provided through the vehicle's radio system. Tour operates rain or shine, but may be cancelled by the operator in the event of extremely bad weather or unsuitable conditions. Heavy rains can cause icing on the glacier, preventing the super-4x4 from driving all the way to the Ice Cave; in this event, guests may be asked to switch to glacier super-trucks that drive to the ice cave. Suitable only for guests who are physically fit. Please realistically assess your physical fitness and ability prior to booking. Minimum age is 8 years. Pregnant women are not allowed to participate. Not suitable for guests with back or neck conditions. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Outer layer should be waterproof and windproof. Bring gloves, a warm hat and a scarf. Wear sturdy, non-skid walking shoes. The ice cave operator provides crampons and boots. The ice cave is very wet in some areas with water dripping from above. The vehicles ride high; participants must be able to (dis)embark the vehicle without assistance.

Glacier Walk & Waterfalls

Departs: 8:30 AM
Approximately 9 Hours
Price $319.95

Many travelers may dream about the opportunity to walk on an Icelandic glacier, but few will ever live the dream. Today, you will do exactly that.

Leaving the city, relax and enjoy a panoramic drive southeast towards the town of Hveragerði, passing over Helisheiði -- a mountain that offers a magnificent view of the wide plains formed by glacial rivers. See the fertile farmland on the south coast of Iceland and some of the fantastic greenhouses built to harness geothermal energy for the food and horticulture industry. Continue driving east, passing small villages and farmland, and past the majestic mountains towering above the coast. On a clear day, you might be able to see snow-shrouded Hekla, the country's most active volcano. Keep an eye out too for a glimpse of the ice-capped Eyjafjallajökull volcano, whose 2010 eruption brought Europe's aviation industry to a standstill.

Enjoy a short stop at the beautiful Seljalandfoss Waterfall en route.

Continuing your journey, you will reach Mýrdalsjökull Glacier and meet the experts that will guide you through your glacier hike. Walk to the frozen glacial tongue named Sólheimajökull -- it is an other-worldly scene, a rugged, raw and ever-changing hub of ancient frozen water. Step onto the glacier and observe the spectacular surroundings that seem quite surreal.

Once the glacier hike is over, you will journey back to Reykjavik with a stop at the magnificent Skógafoss Waterfall. Enjoy a late lunch here before returning to the city.

Notes:
Prior glacier hiking experience is not required. Participate at your own risk. Waiver must be signed and medical conditions disclosed. Safety lines, ice axes and crampons are provided. Tour operates rain or shine, but may be cancelled by the operator in the event of extremely bad weather or unsuitable conditions. It is essential that you wear warm, layered clothing in order to fully enjoy and participate in this excursion. Outer layer should be waterproof and windproof. Bring gloves, a warm hat and a scarf. Jeans and other cotton clothing are not allowed. Excellent hiking shoes are required. (UGG’s, light sneakers and smooth soles are not fit for glacier walks). Walking and hiking is required of all participants and this tour is a grade 4 hike (5 being the most difficult). Please realistically assess your physical fitness and ability prior to booking. Suitable only for guests who are physically fit. Bring bottled water, chocolate, nuts or a light snack, as lunch is served after the hike. Minimum age is 10 years.

Iceland Tomorrow: The Ancient Ring of Fire

Departs: 9:00 AM
Approximately 5 Hours
Adult $119.95; Child $54.95

This is a predominantly green-focused tour that circles the active 2,635-foot Hengill Volcano, located just a couple of miles from Reykjavik. Hengill last erupted approximately 2,000 years ago, but its numerous natural hot springs, colorful steam vents and fumaroles still dot the surrounding landscape. Hengill produces hydro and geothermal power, which provide the capital with plentiful hot water and electricity.

Stop at the Hellsheidi Geothermal Plant Visitor Center to learn a little about volcanoes, geosciences, and geothermal technology.

Continue to the town of Hveragerði, located on top of an old magma chamber. Hot springs bubble and hiss all around this unique community.

A short, scenic drive takes you past the town’s trademark greenhouses and a short walk leads to the new hot spring area. Refreshments are served here.

Follow the River Sogid past the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Thingvellir. Approaching Thingvellir, you'll literally drive from one continent to another as you cross the neovolcanic rift zone that slices through Iceland from northeast to southwest. Pause at the viewpoint to soak up a little of the nation's
history, for it is here that the world’s oldest existing parliament was formed in AD 930.

At the time of Iceland’s settlement (in the 9th century) an estimated one fourth of the country was covered by birch woodlands. Today, forests cover just a little over one percent of Iceland. The forests were felled for timber, cleared for agriculture, and grazed by domestic animals brought by the settlers. Since 1950, the emphasis has been on reforestation and also afforestation -- planting of forests where they didn’t previously exist.

The road leading past Iceland’s largest natural lake at Thingvallavatn takes you to a viewpoint on the lower flanks of the volcano. Take in the fascinating sight of the countless hot springs that continuously belch their sulfur-rich deposits over the amazing scenery. The drive back to Reykjavik takes you through a lunar-like landscape of volcanic phenomena.

Notes:

All walking is optional and most sights can be viewed through the motor coach windows. There are some inclined surfaces to negotiate and rough grass/mud/gravel paths. Suitable for guests with mobility limitations with a companion to assist. Dress warmly and in layers for the day’s weather conditions. Wear sturdy, closed-toe, non-skid shoes. Participants are not permitted to use their own riding gear due to Icelandic Customs laws. Riding gear will be provided by the riding center. Waiver must be signed.

Iceland on Horseback

Departs: 8:15 AM
Approximately 2½ Hours
Price $159.95

This is an excellent opportunity for horse experts and novices alike to enjoy horseback riding in the Icelandic countryside on the famous breed of Icelandic pony. It is a purebred descendent of the horses brought to Iceland by the Vikings more than 1,000 years ago. Hardy, sure-footed and friendly by nature, Icelandic horses are extremely pleasant to ride.

This excursion is accompanied by an expert rider, and takes you through scenic and interesting areas of farmland and valleys.

Notes:

Maximum weight is 220 lbs. Minimum age is 8 years. There will be no galloping; a comfortable pace will be maintained. There are some inclined surfaces to negotiate and rough grass/mud/gravel paths. Dress warmly and in layers for the day’s weather conditions. Wear sturdy, closed-toe, non-skid shoes.

Other extraordinary beverages you’ll try include Gull Beer and Malt & Appelsín -- nicely rounding out your taste of Iceland’s fascinating liquor line-up.

Iceland’s Quirky Quaffs

Departs: 4:00 PM
Approximately 1½ Hours
Price $119.95

This outing should be viewed as a treat for your taste buds, a boost to your immune system, and a noteworthy step in your global cultural edification. The Olgerðin Brewery, Iceland’s oldest, invites you to an evening tasting of the quirky beverages of Iceland. You’ll also hear about the nation’s drinking culture as it once was in the past, and how it has evolved up to today.

On this light-hearted evening adventure, you’ll take a look at the brewery, dive into the drinking habits of the locals, and experience the spirit of Iceland, both literally and figuratively, at Olgerðin’s stylish new headquarters in Reykjavik.

Your expert guide will introduce you to Icelandic mead -- this is what the Vikings brewed and it’s definitely not for the faint of heart. You’ll also taste a beer substitute so you can get a feel for what Icelanders drank during the misery of the prohibition years. Make sure you down a shot of Brennivín -- a schnapps made from potato pulp and caraway seed that is sometimes called the Black Death. Brennivín could well be the origin of the saying, ‘what doesn’t kill you makes you stronger’.

Other extraordinary beverages you’ll try include Gull Beer and Malt & Appelsín -- nicely rounding out your taste of Iceland’s fascinating liquor line-up.

Notes:

Minimum age is 21 years. The Mead is only served upon availability.

Into the Blue: Fissure Snorkeling Adventure

Departs: 8:30 AM
Approximately 3½ Hours
Price $279.95

The Silfra fissure is one of Iceland’s best-kept secrets and Into the Blue is a thrilling adventure in an environment that most travelers will encounter only in their dreams.

Silfra is an otherworldly scene and is located in the heart of Thingvellir National Park, near the site of the world’s oldest parliament. The crystal-clear water in the deep fissure gives you a feeling of being weightless as you float down with the lazy current. Rated one of the world’s top ten dive sites, the Silfra Fissure offers up to 300 feet of underwater visibility and is located atop of the rift between the European and American tectonic plates.

Gear up with a drysuit and snorkel, and get into the water. The journey takes you through the Big Crack -- Silfra’s narrowest section.

The fissure then widens into Silfra Hall, where the water color and clarity are unmatched. Enter the Silfra Cathedral to view the boulders and glacial silt of the deep. Your adventure ends with the limitless visibility of the stunning Silfra Lagoon.

After 30-40 minutes of snorkeling, climb out
and head back to the transportation.

**Notes:**

Wear warm outdoor clothing (fleece sweater and pants recommended and a change of clothing. Warm socks are a must. Snorkeling gear and drysuit provided. No prior knowledge of snorkeling is required. Participants must be able to swim, be comfortable in deep water and be willing to wear a tight and constricting drysuit.

Minimum height is 4'11" (150 cm); maximum height is 6'6" (200 cm). Minimum weight is 99 lbs (45 kg); maximum weight is 265 lbs (120 kg). Pregnant women are not allowed to participate. Participants must be physically fit. Please realistically assess your fitness level prior to booking. Minimum age is 12 years; maximum age is 65 years. Guests age 60 years and older must request a copy of the medical waiver form from Holland America Shore Excursion Reservations prior to boarding the ship. If a guest answers YES to any question on the form, he/she must bring a certificate of doctor's approval. Each guest must provide the on-board Shore Excursion manager with height, weight and shoe size on cruise embarkation day. Participants must walk in full gear for up to 350 yards. Your head and hands are exposed to the 36° F (2° C) water through a semi-insulated material. Part of your face is not covered by the hood and could come in direct contact with the water. There is a slight current in Silfra; participants must be able to swim against it during the last part of the tour.

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Leaving Reykjavik, a **panoramic drive** takes you to the volcanic **Reykjanes Peninsula**, where you will find several dormant volcanoes and extensive lava fields.

You’ll drive through the fishing town of Hafnarfjörður on your way to beautiful Kleifarvatn Lake. After a brief stop here, continue to the southern shore of the peninsula to see the amazing Krysuvík moonscape of bubbling sulfuric mud pools and steam vents whose, geothermal activity originates deep in the earth.

Drive through the lively little fishing village of Grindavík, with its many fishing boats.

Before you return to Reykjavik, you will visit the **Viking World Museum**, home to the amazing full-scale replica of the Gokstad Viking longship that was discovered in Norway in 1882. A relaxing drive through the mossy lava fields leads back to Reykjavik, where your coach will drop you off at the pier.

**Notes:**

All walking is optional and most sights can be viewed through the motorcoach windows. There are some inclines to negotiate and rough grass/mud/gravel paths and uneven wooden steps. Suitable for guests with mobility limitations with a companion to assist. Dress warmly and in layers for the day's weather conditions. Wear sturdy, non-skid walking shoes. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child's car seat from the tour operator; please see the Tour staff on board.

Combine a taste of Iceland with interesting hot springs and a scenic ocean route, and you’ll have a memorable day.

Depart via the Blue Mountains to **Eyjafjallajökull** fishing village on the south coast. Many of the old houses here have been renovated, forming a lovely hub of traditional homes. The oldest house, Húsíð, was built in 1756.

There is nothing more Icelandic than a seafood restaurant in a typical fishing village; so you will continue to the small fishing village of **Stokkseyri** for a **lunch**. **Icelandic lobster** (langoustine) fresh from the ocean, is served sizzling in the pan, along with a variety of side dishes.

Drive along the coast to **Lake Kleifarvatn**, set in fascinatingly stark, moon-like surroundings. Near the lake's southern end lies the **Krysuvík Geothermal Area** with powerful jets of steam escaping from beneath the earth's crust and sulfurous gases rising from numerous vents.

Enjoy a **panoramic drive** through Reykjavik’s city center before reaching the pier.

**Notes:**

All walking is optional and most sights can be viewed through the motor coach windows. There are some inclined surfaces to negotiate and rough grass/mud/gravel paths and uneven steps. Suitable for guests with mobility limitations with a companion to assist. Dress warmly and in layers for the day’s weather conditions. Wear sturdy, closed-toe, non-skid shoes. Special dietary requests must be received at least 48 hours prior to ship's arrival. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child’s car seat from the tour operator; please see the Tour staff on board.

If you're an enthusiastic nature and landscape photographer, you already know that there are very few places left in the world that offer a dramatic and accessible landscape that has not been over exposed. Rejoice, for you have stumbled upon Iceland -- one of the best-kept secrets in the world of photography!

Iceland is every photographer's dream -- without a doubt the most visually exciting place for those seeking inspiration in a new and challenging location. Whether you are a
keen amateur or a dedicated professional, Iceland's fascinating, photogenic terrain will set your pulse racing.

This tour takes you to wonderful panoramic views over vast lava fields, hot springs, mountain ranges, lakes and unspoiled nature, all waiting to be discovered through your camera lens.

Notes:

Bring your own camera and camera equipment. Dress warmly and in layers for the day's weather conditions. Wear sturdy, closed-toe, non-skid shoes. The water in the geothermal area is very hot. Do not touch or approach the hot springs. The tour operator will do its absolute best to provide specialized photography guides, but this cannot be guaranteed. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child's car seat from the tour operator; please see the Tour staff on board.
A Stroll through Heimaey

Departs: 9:00 AM
Approximately 2½ hours
Adult $69.95; Child $39.95

The Westman Islands are a group of approximately 15 islands located just off the south west tip of Iceland. Heimaey is the only island of the group that is inhabited and is home to around 4,500 people, the majority of who are involved in the fishing industry or tourism. One could quite easily be forgiven for imagining island life to be relatively quiet, peaceful and perhaps even a little unadventurous - though in reality nothing could be further from the truth! The island and the people of Heimaey have a virtual treasure trove of experiences and historic dramas to share with a willing audience.

An informative 2½-hour guided walking tour leads you past the small Skansinn Stave Church - a gift from the people of Norway in 2000 to mark the millennium of Christianity in Iceland.

Walk over the newly-formed lava fields of Eldfell (Fire Mountain) -- site of the dramatic 1973 volcanic eruption. At the time, almost all of the 5,000 inhabitants were safely evacuated to the mainland. From the viewpoint located at the base of this volcano, you can see remnants of the houses that were covered in lava during the eruption.

Before returning to the ship, stroll through the small center of Heimaey with some free time to purchase a snack or a coffee (at your own expense).

Notes:
A good level of physical fitness level is required. The walk is strenuous, up a steep hill. Wildlife sightings are likely but not guaranteed. The birds start migrating away around mid-August. Wear sturdy walking shoes. Dress warmly in layers. Tour operates rain or shine, but may be cancelled by the operator in the event of extremely bad weather or unsuitable conditions. Bring rainproof outerwear.

Circumnavigation of Heimaey

Departs: 8:30 AM
Approximately 2 hours
Adult $109.95; Child $49.95

Set out from the harbor in Heimaey -- a long-time shelter for the Icelandic fishing fleet that was almost lost in the volcanic eruption on the island in 1973. You'll cruise past the cliffs surrounding the harbor on a journey past bird colonies with millions of inhabitants and into a cave that can only be visited by boat.

The Westman Islands have one of the largest varieties of sea bird species in Iceland, including puffin colonies of an estimated 6 to 8 million birds. Nowhere else in the world can such large number of puffins be found in such close proximity to civilization. In addition, the islands are home to one of the world's largest gannet and guillemot colonies. Numerous other species of nesting sea birds can also be seen here. Whales and other cetaceans are often sighted in the Westman waters, including orcas, dolphins and porpoises.

After you've seen the island and bird cliffs from every angle, the tour ends as you sail into Klettshellir (Cliff Cave) where a musical instrument is played on board to demonstrate how the acoustics in the cave provide a stunning sensory experience. From there, return to the harbor, having circumnavigated this small island in the far north.

Notes:
Tour operates weather dependent and sometimes it is not possible to circumnavigate the island. When circumnavigation is not possible, you will still see the bird cliffs from as many different angles as possible. Wildlife sightings are likely but are not guaranteed; many birds, including puffins, migrate away around mid-August.

Heimaey Highlights: Pompeii of the North

Departs: 9:00 AM
Approximately 2½ hours
Adult $109.95; Child $49.95

The Westman Islands are situated just off the south coast of Iceland. Originally settled by Irish slaves, the main island, Heimaey, has a population of about 4,500 people. No port in Iceland registers bigger fish catches than this one, and the island is simply buzzing with life. The islanders have made their living from the sea since the days of the first settlers.

You'll leave the perfectly-formed natural harbor area, with its tall cliffs tenanted by multitudes of puffins, fulmars and guillemot. The birds and their eggs are extremely important to this community's prosperity.

Pass by Sprangan Cliff where young islanders are taught the alarming local sport of rope swining. The sport has evolved from the islanders' age-old tradition of egg collecting and, to this day, local men hop expertly from ledge to ledge to collect eggs. The collector is attached to a lifeline held by an anchorman at the top of the cliff. Sounds scary? It is!

Continue to the Herjólfsdalur Valley, popular for festivals and golfing. An archaeological dig here in the 1970s unearthed remnants of old farmhouses dating back to the 9th century. The townspeople decided to build a farmstead depicting Iceland's rural past.

Skirt the island's western shore for an opportunity to view the outer islands. The youngest of the group, Surtsey, was born during a volcanic eruption in 1963. Stórhöfði offers magnificent views and, on a clear day, you can even see the majestic glaciers of the Icelandic mainland, including the infamous Eyjafjallajökull glacier and volcano. During spring and early summer, Stórhöfði is also home to the largest puffin colony on Heimaey.

The drive back to town takes you between two volcanoes -- the 5,000-year-old Helgafell (Holy Mountain) and the considerably younger Eldfell (Fire Mountain) whose history is somewhat more recent. It erupted in 1973 and the inhabitants of Heimaey were evacuated to the mainland. Our next stop is...
the viewpoint over the old town nearby the volcano Eldfell.

Passing over the new lava field, you'll see the Skansinn wooden church, donated to the people of the Westman Islands by Norway to commemorate a millennium of Christianity in Iceland.

In town, you'll pass the ruins of a house buried in the lava and continue through the main streets to the port.

Notes:

Guests with mobility limitations are free to stay on the coach and should travel with a companion to assist. Parents traveling with children under the age of 3 must rent a child's car seat from the tour operator; please see the EXC Tours staff on board.

The Brothers Beer Brewery

Departs: 10:00 AM
1½ Hours
Price $69.95

The beautiful Westman Islands, full of energy, life and friendly inhabitants, beckon you to step ashore and enjoy a taste of fantastically brewed beer.

Back in 2012, four brothers decided to open a brewery on the island. In a short time, they made their mark bringing excellent beers to the market. Their fun and funky products continue to gain in popularity. Step inside the Brothers Brewery and listen to a rather intriguing lecture about the brewing process. Taste the beer and learn about some of the slightly offbeat local ingredients that go into the beer -- handpicked seaweed called dulse, and wonderfully aromatic Icelandic thyme.

This particular beer is called Togarinn (trawler) -- an imperial stout that is dedicated to one of the local sailors from the Westman Islands.

The brews include IPA, Red Ale, Pale Ale, Stout, Porter, English Ale and others. Which will be your favorite? Come find out at the brewery that won the coveted Beer of the Year award in 2016.

Notes:

Minimum age to consume alcohol is 20 years. Tour is wheelchair accessible; flooring and terrain is flat and paved. The brewery has accessible restrooms.
Jarlshof’s Stone, Bronze and Iron age ruins; take a ferry to Mousa to see the 200-year-old "broch," or castle. Meander narrow streets, stop for a pint at the pub, and pause to pet the ponies that hail from here.

**Jarlshof & Scenic Mainland Drive**

Departs: 8:30 AM  
Approximately 4 Hours  
Adult $109.95; Child $64.95

Shetland is a mosaic of more than a hundred islands inhabited by approximately 22,000 people and an abundance of wildlife.

Travel one hour south of Lerwick to visit **Jarlshof**. In the winter of 1896, a violent storm uncovered this remarkable archaeological site, revealing remains from New Stone Age (Neolithic), Bronze and Iron Age settlements. Rectangular stone houses from an ancient Viking community can also be seen here. Explore with your guide the remains of these village settlements, sprawled over a low green promontory by the sea.

Continue the short distance to the small, historic village of **Hoswick** and a 45-minute stop at the **Visitor Center**. Here, you’ll gain an understanding of the history and culture of Shetland through interpretive displays. Those interested in a little **shopping** can purchase original Shetland garments in Shetland wool from the knitwear shop.

As you travel, you’ll also see the small agricultural areas where sheep farming is important. Distinctive black and brown Shetland sheep graze in pastures enclosed by neat dry-stone walls, and small crofting communities nestle on narrow peninsulas, never far from the sea. Peat is now rarely used in Shetland to heat homes, but you will see the areas where peat is cut as you continue across the moorland on the 45-minute return drive to Lerwick.

**Notes:**  
Use of an audio headset (included) will enhance your tour experience.

**Mousa Island Discovery**

Departs: 8:30 AM  
Approximately 4 Hours  
Adult $119.95; Child $69.95

**Mousa Sound** is one of Scotland’s most important sites for the threatened harbor porpoise. Locally known as *neesicks*, these animals are present between May and September, taking advantage of the abundant food supply of sand eels, herring and mackerel.

You’ll drive 30 minutes south from Lerwick to the small community of **Sandwick**. A short ferry ride will transport you to the tranquil and picturesque island of Mousa, home to the world-famous **Iron Age Broch**. Mousa Broch is a dry-stone castle, more than 2,000 years old and standing 43 feet tall. On your island walk, explore the small beehive chambers and marvel at the工作manship of the Iron Age builders. Climb the internal stairway to admire the panoramic views of the island and gaze across to the ruins of the Broch of Burraland on the mainland.

Mousa’s **abundant wildlife** makes it one of the best locations in Shetland to watch the shy common and grey seals basking around the island’s shallow pools. Mousa is also famous for its abundance of breeding seabirds, including hundreds of graceful Arctic terns, Arctic skuas and their larger relatives the great skua, which sometimes swoop very close when defending their nests. The fragile-looking Arctic terns are amongst nature’s greatest travelers; they can live up to 25 years and in that time fly the equivalent of the distance from Earth to the moon. Mousa is also home to around 6,000 pairs of tiny, nocturnal storm petrels.

**Notes:**

Mousa is an island full of history and a natural sanctuary for wildlife. It is also part of a working farm. You are welcome to walk around the island, courtesy of the landowner and farmer, Wear sturdy walking shoes or boots (no sandals or flip-flops allowed) and a wind- or waterproof jacket dependent on the weather. Participants must be physically fit. Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations. Approximately 1 ¼ - 1 ¾ hours are spent on Mousa Island. Wildlife sightings are likely but are not guaranteed. Use of an audio headset (included) will enhance your tour experience.

**Notes:**

**Northernmost Scotland**

Departs: 8:30 AM  
Approximately 4¼ Hours  
Adult $99.95; Child $59.95

**Northmavine** is the northernmost part of the mainland of Shetland. To get there, you must cross the Mavis Grind isthmus -- 32 yards wide at its narrowest point. This is the only place in the UK where you can toss a stone across land from the North Sea to the Atlantic Ocean.

At the **Tangwick Haa Museum**, -- a 17th-century laird’s (lord’s) house built for the Cheyne family -- discover a fascinating collection of artifacts. These offer a great insight into the harsh lifestyle of people living in this remote area.

Pause for refreshments at the Braewick Café. The views of the famous Drongs sea stacks are marvelous.

Rejoin your motorcoach and head to the **Eshaness Lighthouse**, designed in 1929 by David and Charles Stevenson, uncles of Robert Louis Stevenson. These were the last of the Stevenson lighthouses to be built in Shetland. A short optional walk along the cliff top leads you to wonderful scenery and geological forms. Few places in Britain rival Eshaness’ scenery. The ferocity of the Atlantic has contributed to the spectacular geological formations found here -- sea stacks, natural arches and caves. The cliffs are also home to a
number of seabirds.

Notes:

This excursion involves optional walking over uneven surfaces. Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations. Bring local currency or credit cards for additional purchases. Wear sturdy non-skid walking shoes.

Scenery of Western Shetland

Departs: 8:30 AM  
Approximately 3 Hours  
Adult $99.95; Child $59.95  

Shetland is the crossroads of the northern seas and is unlike anywhere else in Scotland. It is 112 miles of moors and wiry pasture, penetrated by great sea inlets. The sight and sound of the sea is ever-present, woven into the island’s maritime heritage. As you come ashore, you will notice that Lerwick, with its narrow Main Street and small shops, seems almost to be built on top of the water.

Travel across heather-clad hills to Scalloway, former capital of Shetland. You’ll see Scalloway Castle and stop to take a few photos. Visit the nearby Scalloway Museum, which displays local artifacts and exhibitions on fishing, and learn about the Shetland Bus - - one of the dramatic stories to emerge from the Second World War.

Head towards the fertile Tingwall Valley. This is an area of uninterrupted views across farmland, small lochs and streams. A handful of houses and the occasional church stand out against the skyline. Head north through a peat- and heather-covered landscape before, suddenly, the road passes a belt of trees -- the only ones of any significance in the barren Shetlands.

At Weisdale Voe, the landscape changes dramatically. You’ll have time here for a little shopping as you visit the small workshops of Shetland Jewellery, which manufactures a wide range of silver and gold jewelry, featuring Celtic, Viking and local wildlife designs. The showroom also stocks a selection of local crafts.

Shetland Ponies & Scalloway Castle

Departs: 8:30 AM  
Approximately 2½ Hours  
Adult $79.95; Child $59.95  

Begin your tour with a brief panoramic orientation drive through Lerwick, the only town in Shetland. This tiny capital dates from the 1600s. From there, you’ll head to the central and west mainland. A half-hour drive brings you to Scalloway, the former Shetland capital.

Visit Scalloway Castle, built in 1600 by the pompous tyrant earl Patrick Stewart by way of forced labor, oppression, extortion, and outrageous taxation of the poor. In completely unrelated news, Patrick and his equally unpopular son were later beheaded. Scalloway castle was eventually used as the administrative center for Shetland and as a barracks for Oliver Cromwell’s troops (1650s). You will see that, although the original tower house has been restored, the surrounding walls and buildings are gone. A spiral staircase provides access to rooms in the south wing of the castle, part of which is open to visitors.

The Scalloway Museum houses a special Shetland bus exhibit, depicting the village’s unique role in world war ii. The story of the Shetland bus goes back to the German occupation of Norway resulting in a stream of refugees heading to Shetland. Norwegians began training with units of the British armed forces, knowing that there were thousands of Norwegian servicemen hiding in their own country who needed only arms and communications to become an effective underground movement. It’s a great story.

Stop to visit carol’s ponies. Carol breeds top-quality animals and is a true enthusiast. She, or a member of her staff, will be delighted to share with you their knowledge of these hardy beasts.

Passing through peat- and heather-covered landscapes, you’ll begin the return journey to Lerwick. Snap some photos of the spectacular vistas of many of the islands that make up the Shetland archipelago and hear more about Shetland’s culture and heritage from your local guide.

Notes:

Wear comfortable walking shoes.
Amsterdam, The Netherlands - Monday, September 6, 2021: Alongside its graceful canals and gabled houses, Amsterdam offers such world-class sights as the Van Gogh Museum and the Rijksmuseum.

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Windmills & Edam with Airport Transfer

Departs: 9:00 AM
Approximately 4 Hours
Adult $89.95; Child $69.95

Enjoy this chance to learn about the art of cheese making and a scenic ride through the colorful Dutch countryside.

Just a short distance from Amsterdam lies the village of Zaanse Schans, located on the banks of the River Zaan. Bring your camera, as the scenery packed into this tiny park-village is quite remarkable. The windmills spaced along the river are quintessentially and beautifully Dutch -- the stuff of postcards. Enjoy a close-up view of how a windmill works.

You'll also be able to watch a local clog-maker crafting those unique shoes that look terribly uncomfortable but are, in fact, quite pleasant to wear.

Continue to the village of Edam, famous for its cheese of the same name. Stroll through the flat, narrow streets of this picturesque village to the Bell Tower and revel in the history of some of the houses here, which date back to the 1600s.

Notes:

This tour is available only to guests whose cruise ends in Amsterdam and with flights departing at 3pm or later. Tour does not operate on holidays. Use of an audio headset (included) will enhance your tour experience.
Overland Adventures & Overnights

For those with a thirst for adventure as well as luxury cruising, we offer a selection of special Overland Adventures and Overnights to take you deep into the heart of the lands we visit. Varying in length from two to several days, these tours will take you through breathtaking scenery and to historical sites that allow you to explore each region more thoroughly.

Clothing
Comfortable, layered clothing and walking shoes are strongly recommended.

Flights, Meals & Accommodation
As flight times have not been confirmed at the time this brochure was printed, some meals and visits to some attractions may be adjusted for your comfort and convenience, to accommodate the schedule. Overland Adventures and Overnights include all meals (unless otherwise specified), transportation and overnight accommodations in the finest hotels available and are escorted by a member of Holland America Line’s staff.

Advance Bookings
We are increasingly aware that many discerning travelers are enthusiastic to participate in our comprehensive program of spectacular Overland Adventures and Overnights. Because it is not always possible to guarantee space beyond the tours’ booking deadline on these exciting journeys, we earnestly encourage you to use the Holland America Line website well in advance to secure space on the overland or overnight experience of your dreams. Space is limited! We suggest that you book early to avoid missing these truly enticing tours which have been arranged to give you an in-depth view of inland areas.

Physical Limitations
Due to the in-depth nature of these tours, most areas are not accessible to wheelchairs.

Luggage
Luggage must be limited to one small checked bag per person on Overland Adventures and Overnights.

Special Notes
- Wear comfortable footwear at all times
- Bring a lightweight sweater or jacket in case of cooler temperatures
- Book early. Capacity is limited on many Overland Adventures and Overnights
- Book your Overland Adventures and Overnights online at hollandamerica.com

Visas, Vaccinations & Tourist Cards
It is each guest’s sole responsibility to obtain (before traveling) any visas, vaccinations and/or tourist cards that are required for participating in Overland Adventures and Overnights, unless noted otherwise in the description. Please be aware that you may need a visa for any and/or all countries that you will depart from and travel through as part of your overland adventure or overnight tour, and for the country in which you will re-join the ship.

General Information

Tour Durations & Prices
The information in this brochure is designed to help you select the tours most suited to your interests. The individual tour descriptions include approximate durations. Prices can be found on our website at hollandamerica.com and are quoted in U.S. funds. Prices are subject to change without notice. To allow the Shore Excursions staff the flexibility to coordinate your time in port with meals and activities on the ship, exact departure times are published in the Shore Excursions Planning Form on board. For more information, please attend the Shore Excursions presentation or visit the Shore Excursions Desk.

Tour Descriptions
Tour descriptions may change after printing. Information that becomes available after this brochure is published will be posted in the Shore Excursions section of our website, which can be found online at hollandamerica.com. Significant changes will be noted on the Shore Excursions Planning Form on board. Tour schedules are subject to change.

Guides, Services & Transportation
In certain interesting, off-the-beaten-track places, professional guides and vehicles are at a premium. The best available are engaged. For all tours other than the Signature Collection, it is exceptional for drivers of public hire vehicles to speak any language but their own and it is not always possible to obtain air-conditioned buses or taxis in many ports. However, we do our utmost to find the very best packages for your touring pleasure. Guests who leave during a tour for which transportation is included must thereafter provide for their
own transportation and services at their own expense. Transportation standards vary from country to country.

Self-Guided Touring
Guests who do not join these prearranged shore excursions must rely on whatever transportation is available in each port. If you choose to devise your own excursion, we suggest that you remind the driver or tour escort of the ship’s sailing time. Of course, the ship’s facilities are fully available to guests while in port.

Reservations & Online Reservations
Now you can easily choose your tour times, book your tours and receive confirmation of your shore excursions reservations 24 hours a day. Visit us online at hollandamerica.com or phone us at 1-888-425-9376. Book online now, up until 3 days before sailing. Make your payment online via our secure website, and receive confirmation as well as your tour departure times. You can also download the shore excursions, view tour prices, find answers to frequently asked questions and read general information. Remember, online and phone shore excursion reservations are processed prior to any requests made on board the ship and receive priority handling. At the time of making your reservations online, we will advise you whether or not your reservations are confirmed or whether you have been waitlisted. Your credit card will be charged immediately for all confirmed reservations. Should space become available for a waitlisted tours request, we will e-mail or otherwise contact you at that time and either immediately charge your credit card if you have already given us your credit card information or ask you to provide us with that information for immediate charge processing. Reservations for shore excursions are subject to cancellation by us at any time prior to the credit card charge being accepted by your bank. If you or Holland America cancel a tour (except Overland Adventures and Overnights) more than 3 days prior to cruise departure, we will issue a credit on the credit card that you used to pay for the reservation. For any cancellation within 3 days of departure, a credit will not be given on your credit card. Instead, we will apply an ONBOARD CREDIT ONLY policy under which the refund (less any cancellation fee) will show up as a credit to the shipboard account of the person who was to take the tour. If the credit is not fully utilized during the cruise, the balance will be paid to that guest by the ship’s Purser. Once on board, if you cancel your tour reservation after the booking deadline stated in the Shore Excursion Planning Form on board, a 100% cancellation fee will apply since transportation and services will have already been arranged. If space on the tour you have ordered is not available you will be contacted to see if you are interested in another tour selection. You may receive confirmation of your tours via e-mail. Vouchers for each confirmed tour will be delivered to your stateroom after embarkation.

Immunizations
Immunizations may be required for some of the ports of call included in your voyage. Please contact your local physician, Health Department and/or travel medicine clinic to discuss immunization requirements for all countries on your itinerary. You can also check the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s website at cdc.gov. Click on Travelers’ Health and then Vaccinations. It is also a good idea to bring along a record of your immunizations, as requirements for immunizations may change. It is the guests’ responsibility to remain apprised of changes in immunization policies, so that they have all the required inoculations and immunizations at the time of departure.

Safety
We take steps to identify and contract with reputable tour operators. Tour operators must comply with local government requirements and carry liability insurance in amounts consistent with local standards to address personal injury and property damage.

Visa Requirements
Each guest is responsible for obtaining all visas needed to join the cruise. Unless otherwise noted, it is the guest’s sole responsibility to obtain any necessary visas to participate in any Overland Adventures and Overnights. Guests must keep themselves apprised of policy changes. Passports, visas (other than as specified above), tourist cards, and vaccinations, if required, are the sole responsibility of the guest. Remember, guests must have a passport that is valid for at least six months beyond the completion of their trip.
Visa Service

VisaCentral can assist you with the collection of necessary documentation: see details online at http://hollandamerica.visacentral.com, or contact VisaCentral as follows for:

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Residents of Brazil:
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Residents of Canada:
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You are also welcome to engage your own choice of visa service.

Cancellation of Signature Collection Arrangements
There is no penalty for canceling most pre-booked tours; however, if you cancel a Signature Collection private vehicle tour, a 100% cancellation fee will apply since transportation and services will have already been arranged.

Cancellation of Overland Adventures and Overnights
The cancellation policy for Overland Adventures and Overnights is (unless noted otherwise in the tour description):
- 30 - 60 days before tour date: 25%
- 14 - 29 days before tour date: 50%
- Within 14 days: Non-Refundable

Please note that the Cancellation Protection Plan covers pre-booked tours, including Overland Adventures and Overnights, if cancellation is made up to 24 hours prior to commencement of cruise. Tours cancelled within 24 hours prior to commencement of cruising or while on board are not covered by the Cancellation Protection Plan and are subject to the above penalties. In the event a complete tour is cancelled by Holland America Line or the tour operator, pre-booked refunds will be handled on board. Very shortly after each booking deadline/cancellation date, e-mails are sent from the ship to the agencies concerned, informing them of our definite requirements for meals, seats on aircraft, number of automobiles and motorcoaches, etc., and commitments are made. If notice of cancellation is received after the booking deadline/cancellation date, a refund can be assured only if the ticket is resold. Guests are encouraged to pre-purchase tours. We recommend speaking with the Shore Excursions Manager on board if you have any questions about your physical ability to take part in any tour. Should you opt not to take the tour following this discussion, full reimbursement will be made provided the cancellation is made within 24 hours of boarding the ship. For Overland Adventures and Overnights, due to the in-depth nature of the adventures, most areas are not accessible to wheelchairs and require a considerable amount of activity.

Scooters
Depending on the port, the tour operator(s) may impose weight restrictions for electric scooters and/or additional charges may apply.

General Conditions

Shore Excursions, Overland Adventures and Overnights are “Non-Holland America Line Services” for the purposes of your Cruise Contract. This means that tours are not owned or operated by Holland America Line. Refer to your Cruise Contract for a full statement of your rights and obligations as well as those of the Owner of the Ship, Holland America Line Inc. and certain other persons and entities with respect to Non-Holland America Line Services. In particular, please note that you are assuming the entire risk of utilizing Non-Holland America Line Services subject only to whatever terms or arrangements are made by you or on your behalf with the third party furnishing the Non-Holland America Line Services. Holland America Line does not assume liability for injuries or damages that occur during or as a result of Shore Excursions, Overland Adventures and Overnights, nor is Holland America Line liable for loss of or damage to any baggage or other property which occurs ashore, for any reason whatsoever.

Tours are subject to cancellations or changes. Tour operators reserve the right to deny participation to guests based on such criteria as they may establish. Children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult aged 21 years or older.