

READY TO PLAN FOR YOUR TRIP?

# Iceland: Land of the Midnight Sun

## WEATHER & DESTINATION SPECIFIC INFORMATION

**Time Zone:** In summer, Iceland is 4 hours ahead of the US Eastern Time Zone and 5 hours ahead of the US Central Time Zone.

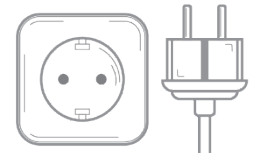
**Weather:** Average High/Low

City	June	July	August	September
Reykjavik	54°F/44°F	57°F/48°F	56°F/47°F	51°F/42°F
Sedisfjordur	55°F/41°F	59°F/45°F	52°F/45°F	49°F/42°F
Akureyri	55°F/44°F	57°F/47°F	56°F/46°F	53°F/42°F
Isafjordur	51°F/43°F	54°F/46°F	53°F/45°F	50°F/42°F
Grundafjordur	53°F/42°F	56°F/47°F	55°F/47°F	50°F/42°F

**Currency:** For your convenience, you may wish to exchange some US dollars to foreign currency prior to departure; however, this can also be done while abroad. Fees apply to all currency exchanges. The unit of currency in Iceland is the Icelandic Krona (written as ISK or kr). Coins are in denominations of 100 kr, 50 kr, 10 kr, and 1 kr. Bank notes are in denominations of 5000 kr, 2000 kr, 1000 kr and 500 kr. Currency exchange rates fluctuate on a daily basis. A helpful website for referencing current rates is [www.oanda.com](http://www.oanda.com).

**Electrical Current:** The outlets aboard ship are 110/220. When plugging appliances into the 220 outlet, an adapter is required.

However, a voltage converter is only required if your device is not compatible with 220 volts. Check the voltage of any device that you are thinking of bringing. If the tag on your device lists 110-220 volts then you will not need a converter. Adapters and converters are available at luggage, department, and electronics stores.



**Medical – Pregnancy:** Due to limited medical facilities, we will not accept reservations for women who are 24 or more weeks pregnant at the time their travel concludes.

**Shipboard Clothing:** From 7 am – 6 pm guests are welcome to dress as they please with the exception of no swimwear in all public lounges and restaurants and no clothing with offensive language or graphics that distract from the comfort and wellbeing of others. The general shipboard style is elegant but relaxed including jeans and Bermuda/ walking shorts. In the evening – after 6 pm when dining in Amphora, Stella Bistro, or Cuadro 44 by Anthony Sasso, the dress code is country club-type clothing. For men – nice slacks, polo shirts, button-down shirts, shoes other than athletic shoes. Designer denim jeans without rips or holes or multiple colors are also acceptable. Sport coats are optional. Ties are not needed. For women – nice pants, skirts, tops, casual dresses, or casual shoes, and designer denim dress jeans not ripped or multi-colored or having holes. Blazers are optional.

**Clothing for Excursions:** It is recommended to be prepared for all kinds of weather. Dressing in layers and carrying a waterproof jacket is suggested, as well as wearing comfortable, sturdy shoes.

**Shipboard Internet Access:** Windstar Cruises offers satellite internet capabilities on board available in a choice of internet packages. However, service can be unreliable or may not be available depending on the course and position of the ship. Wi-fi service is available and is possible in most public areas, staterooms, and suites.

**Shipboard Money:** Windstar's cashless society is designed to make your life on board as simple as possible. When you board, your account will already be active. You may make purchases by simply showing your guest identification card and signing a receipt. On embarkation day, you will need to register your credit card to use your onboard account for shipboard purchases. Windstar does not accept debit cards or prepaid cards. Your card will be preauthorized for USD \$600 per guest for your cruise. An incremental authorization will occur mid-cruise if your current balance exceeds the \$600 per person initial authorization. At the end of the cruise, you will receive a final statement, and your card will be charged only for the actual amount of your purchases. Please inform your credit card issuer in advance that your card will be used on a Windstar ship. This will help prevent delays in obtaining pre-authorization on board. Products and services on board are in USD. Windstar is not liable for any foreign exchange

fees imposed by your card issuer, and there are no currency exchange services offered on board.

**International Guide:** Holiday Vacations has arranged for an international guide while in Reykjavik to provide cultural insight in addition to your tour director. Your international guide will also discuss currency exchange, customs, language, and history.

**Gratuities:** The suggested gratuity for your Driver while in Reykjavik is 600 kr. equivalent to \$5 US dollars, per person, per day. Tipping for your Guide while in Reykjavik is 800 kr, equivalent to \$6 US dollars per person, per day. While on board the ship, an automatic \$16 US per person per day is added to your shipboard account. This gratuity is divided among all shipboard staff.

Tipping is invariably included in meal prices in Iceland and tipping is never required when off ship. However, if you are very pleased with the service provided, Icelanders are generally not offended if they are offered a gratuity. It is not necessary to tip for fast food, cafeteria-style meals, or drinks served in a pub.

**Meal Expenses:** For the meals not included with the tour you can expect to spend the equivalent of \$20 – \$60 USD per person, per day.