

# Northern Iceland: Off the Beaten Path

HIKING ADVENTURES IN THE UNCROWDED NORTH



## TRIP DATES

2024

July 14-21, 2024

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The north of Iceland holds the country's best secrets, from Snæfellsjökull, the glacier-capped volcano that inspired Jules Verne's *Journey to the Center of the Earth*, to brilliant blue Lake Mývatn, surrounded by a geothermal wonderland. We'll head out for spectacular hikes on the Peninsula of the Trolls, along the black-sand beaches and bird cliffs of Snæfellsnes, and through vast landscapes believed to be home to *huldufólk* (hidden people—Iceland's elves and trolls). We'll finish with whale watching in charming Húsavík, on the lookout for humpback, minke, and blue whales.



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# Itinerary

## DAY 1

### REYKJAVÍK, ICELAND / THE OTHERWORLDLY SNÆFELLSNES PENINSULA / A WARM WELCOME IN BÚÐIR

We meet in the morning (come dressed for hiking!) and head north into the beauty of the Snæfellsnes Peninsula, a realm of wild beaches, fishing villages, lava fields, and peaks jutting into the sea on Iceland's west coast. Along the way to Snæfellsnes, we'll stop for our first hike up Mt. Akrafjall. Part of the larger Akranes Peninsula, carved by the growth and retreat of glaciers throughout the last ice age, Mt. Akranes offers epic views across the distinct landscapes of valleys and fjords, and across the bay to Reykjavík. After lunch in the town of Borgarnes, our second hike brings us around the perfectly formed crater rim of Eldborg, whose name translates to "fortress of fire." The hike traces over lava fields overgrown with birch forest, and once at the top, you'll be treated to breathtaking vistas of the surrounding Snæfellsnes Peninsula. We end our walk at the small hamlet of Búðir, with its iconic black church and lava fields stretching to the coast. The ice-capped volcano of Snæfellsjökull makes a splendid backdrop. Tonight we stay at the charming Hotel Búðir and gather for a Welcome Dinner...LD

Hiking Details: (morning hike) 3.5 miles, 1,600' ascent/descent; (afternoon hike) 4 miles, 300' ascent/descent

Note: We recommend you arrive in Reykjavík a day early to enjoy this charming capital, with its beautiful harbor and fine restaurants. We are happy to book extra hotel nights for you, an "on your own" expense.

## DAY 2

### THE "LIFTING STONES" OF DJÚPALÓNSSANDUR / COASTAL HIKE IN SNÆFELLSNES NATIONAL PARK

In his novel *Journey to the Center of the Earth*, Jules Verne described Snæfellsjökull Volcano (4,745') as the entrance to a fantastical subterranean world. With this famous volcano on the horizon, our first stop is Djúpalónssandur (or Black Lava Pearl Beach), with its bizarre lava formations and four famous "lifting" stones. During the era of fishing stations, fishermen competed to lift the stones and test their strength (the test results: 342 lbs. = fully strong; 220 lbs. = half strong; 120 lbs. = weakling; 50 lbs. = bungler!). The success or failure of the fishermen in this trial determined their eligibility for the physically demanding life at sea. Walking down to Drítvík Cove, a vital fishing port from the 15th century to mid-20th century, we'll see the ruins of stone huts once used by the fishermen and women as well as remnants of past shipwrecks that didn't survive the turbulent north Atlantic waters.

Our next hike is through the Neshraun lava fields, following the old fishermen's trails throughout Snæfellsnes National Park. Many sea birds nest in these sea bluffs and we're likely see fulmars, kittiwakes, guillemots, puffins, and gulls throughout the day. On a calm day, and with some luck, some orcas may even be spotted off the coast. The lava fields lie south of Mt. Snæfellsjökull and have been shaped by about 20 volcanic eruptions since the last Ice Age. We follow trails that served as lifelines for the remote communities over generations.



## TRIP DETAILS AT-A-GLANCE

<b>Length:</b>	8 days
<b>Arrive:</b>	Reykjavík, Iceland
<b>Depart:</b>	Akureyri, Iceland
<b>Lodging:</b>	7 nights hotels
<b>Meals:</b>	All meals included except 1 dinner (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
<b>Activity:</b>	Hiking / Trekking
<b>Trip Level:</b>	1 2 3+ 4 5 6 6 hiking days on moderate to strenuous trails, some steep sections, 4-8 hours a day, van support

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Escape the crowds and experience Iceland's northern landscapes
- Explore spectacular landscapes that offer a range of hikes
- Go whale watching on a wooden ship with an electric engine—no noise or fumes
- Stay in welcoming hotels, enjoy extraordinary cuisine



## Itinerary (cont'd)

Remember to pack your headlamp today because we may explore one of the small lava tubes at the foothills of a crater. We return to hotel for a delicious dinner and an overnight...BLD

Hiking Details: 7 miles, 675' ascent/descent

### DAY 3

#### EIRÍK THE RED / SIGLUFJÖRÐUR, 25 MILES FROM THE ARCTIC CIRCLE

Today is a long but stunning drive across the north side of the Snæfellsnes Peninsula to Siglufjörður, a quaint town that was once the capital of the herring industry. En route, we'll visit one of Iceland's most historic sites: Eiríksstaðir, the former homestead of Eirík (Erik) the Red and his son Leif Eiríksson, the two most famous Viking explorers. It is now a restored turf-roofed longhouse and museum that offers insights into the Viking way of life. In the late afternoon we arrive in Siglufjörður, just 25 miles from the Arctic Circle. The town has a wonderful setting in a narrow fjord, with high and dramatic mountains towering over the town, and a population of about 1,300 people. Overnight at hotel in Siglufjörður...BLD

Driving Time; 5-6 hours, with stop

### DAY 4

#### PENINSULA OF THE TROLL / AKUREYRI / DAY AT EYJAFJÖRD

Northwest of Siglufjörður is the remote and largely uninhabited Tröllaskagi Peninsula, with its steep mountains dropping to the sea. Its name means "peninsula of the troll," and the sweeping landscapes of this glacial-alpine realm seem a fitting terrain for trolls, elves, and other mythical creatures of Iceland's "hidden people." We'll inch our way closer to the Arctic Circle as we drive north to Eyjafjörð. Just 37 miles south of the circle, we hike the spectacular peak, Uppsala hnúkur. The views are stunning, stretching out over Eyjafjörður to the sea. We return to Akureyri, where we recommend doing what the





locals do—a hot tub soak! Dinner is on your own; your Trip Leader will be happy to make recommendations depending on how local or fancy you want to go. Overnight at hotel...BL

Note: The weather in the fjord can vary greatly. It could be raining on the eastern side but not the western side, or raining at the end of the fjord but not the opening.. Due to the varied conditions then the guide may change the planned hiking route depending on the weather. The change will always be made in hopes of making the hike an enjoyable experience. Hiking Details: 8 hours, 7 miles, 2,700' ascent/descent



## DAY 5

### ALDEYJARFOSS / HVERFJALL CRATER / LAKE MÝVATN

Aldeyjarfoss is a hidden gem within the vast landscape of northern Iceland. The hexagonal basalt columns create a natural amphitheater around the thundering whitewater of the falls. It is part of the mighty Skjálfandafljót River, which flows across a 7,000-year-old lava field. Along the same river, we will make a quick visit to the much busier, but historically rich Goðafoss where, in the year 1000, Iceland's pagan leader tossed his Norse idols into the waters to symbolize his conversion to Christianity, hence the name "Waterfall of the Gods." We'll head from here to Lake Mývatn, passing through surreal geothermal landscapes of bubbling mud pots. The lake region is birding hotspot and habitat for large flocks of tufted duck, greater scaup, Eurasian wigeon, common pochard, and ring-necked ducks, and Mývatn is the only place in Europe where harlequin ducks and Barrow's goldeneye breed. To explore the lake area, we climb up Mt. Hverfjall, a beautifully formed 2,500-year-old tephra crater. A 360-degree hike of the perfectly symmetrical shale rewards us with panoramic views of the surrounding Mývatn area, with its tranquil lake and steaming geothermal vents. Overnight at a hotel near Lake Mývatn...BLD

Hiking Details: 3 miles, 500' ascent

## DAY 6

### KRAFLA'S SURREAL LAVA FIELDS / NATURE BATHS OF LAKE MÝVATN

In the moonscape of the Krafla area this morning, we hike across the Leirhnjúkur plain, which became inundated with lava during the fiery eruptions of the Krafla volcano between 1975 and 1984. There is still steam rising from those eruptions, and a local power station uses the geothermal energy from it. As we walk, we'll notice the many colors in the lava, created by metals exposed during the eruption. We may even see cows and sheep grazing in this unique setting. We head back to Mývatn in the afternoon. While the Blue Lagoon in Reykjavík is one of Iceland's most popular landmarks, less well known are the nature baths at Lake Mývatn—smaller and more picturesque.



# Itinerary (cont'd)



We'll enjoy a welcome soak for sore muscles the lake's soothing hot waters.

Return to hotel for overnight...BLD

Hiking Details: 5 hours, 8 miles, 1,500' ascent/descent

## DAY 7

### VATNAJÖKULL NATIONAL PARK / EUROPE'S MOST POWERFUL WATERFALL / HÚSAVÍK

We head to Iceland's northeast highlands to reach Vatnajökull National Park and Dettifoss, Europe's largest waterfall in terms of volume discharge. This stupendous cascade is bizarrely set in an arid area of sand and rock formations. After viewing the falls, we begin a hike to Hljóðaklettur (the "Whispering Cliffs," so named for their strange echoes) and cross through a spectacular setting of columnar basalt formations, caves, and rock castles. Along the hike, we will visit the abandoned farmstead of Svínadalur, where we can imagine the challenges of subsistence farmers of Iceland's not-so-distant past. We'll continue through the columnar formations of Jökulsárgljúfur canyon to our destination of Hljóðaklettur to test our pipes in the legendary natural acoustics of the alcoves and chambers. We end our day in the pretty town of Húsavík, Iceland's whale-watching capital, set on the shores of Skjálfandi Bay. Overnight at hotel in Húsavík...BLD

Hiking Details: 7 miles, 500' descent



## DAY 8

### WHALE WATCHING! / AKUREYRI

Húsavík has a long history as a traditional fishing village but in the last two decades has transformed itself into a superb a whale-watching destination. This morning we head out to look for these leviathans, and if luck is with us, we will see minke, humpback, and perhaps even blue whales, plus white-beaked dolphins. After our morning excursion we head to Akureyri for a festive Farewell Lunch. In the late afternoon, transfer to the airport for homeward-bound flights via Reykjavík or flights to other parts of Europe...BL

**Weather Note:** The weather in Iceland is notoriously changeable and will dictate our exact hiking itinerary. We will remain flexible to accommodate weather conditions that may require changes, such as substituting different hiking routes or switching the days of certain hikes.



# Trip Cost, Payment & Insurance

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## TRIP COST

**Prices are per person, valid through 2024**

\$7395 (11-14 members)

\$7795 (8-10 members)

\$8195 (4-7 members)

Single supplement: \$1265

*2025 Trip Costs: Please call for details*

To offer the lowest possible cost, our trips are priced according to the number of participants on the trip. All costs are per person, based on double occupancy. If you wish to have a single room, you must pay the single supplement fee. Please note that Wilderness Travel staff, or guests of Wilderness Travel such as travel writers, photographers, or leaders-in-training, are not included in the tier pricing count.

## CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE

Because the prices published for our program are set so far in advance of the trip dates, we are occasionally faced with exceptional cost increases and/or currency fluctuations that affect the actual cost of running the trip. In most years, no price changes are necessary. However, we do reserve the right to raise or lower the trip price if there is a significant change in costs or exchange rates. If this is the case, your final invoice will reflect the difference in trip cost.

## TRIP COST INCLUDES

- Expert leadership of a Wilderness Travel Trip Leader and local guides
- Accommodations
- All meals included except 1 dinner as indicated in the Detailed Itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- A glass of wine or beer with dinner
- Land transportation, airport transfers, and sightseeing as noted

## TRIP COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

International or domestic airfare, transfers for independent arrival or departure, any meals not specified after each itinerary day, airport departure taxes, optional tipping or gratuities to leaders or staff, additional hotel nights that may be necessitated by airline schedule changes or other factors, expenses such as medical immunizations (if any), travel insurance, or passports and visas, and other expenses of a personal nature (alcoholic beverages, laundry, etc.).

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

At time of reservation: \$600

90 days prior to departure: Balance

## CANCELLATION AND TRANSFER FEE SCHEDULE

Up to 91 days prior to departure: No charge!

61-90 days prior to departure: 25% of trip cost

46-60 days prior to departure: 50% of trip cost

45 days or less: 100% of trip cost

## TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance. You can take advantage of a comprehensive Travel Protection Plan designed for Wilderness Travel by Travelex, or purchase other insurance on your own. See our website for details: [www.wildernesstravel.com/insurance](http://www.wildernesstravel.com/insurance)

# Accommodations



## HOTEL BÚDIR

*Búdir, Iceland*

*Days 1 to 2 (2 nights)*

This beautiful and cozy country hotel is set in splendid isolation on the edge of an ancient lava field next to the sea on the western tip of the Snæfellsnes Peninsula. Guest rooms are clean, modern, and simply decorated, and the restaurant serves excellent Icelandic fare. After exploring the countryside, have a drink in the comfy bar or lounge area and admire the fantastic views of the sea and Snæfellsnes Glacier out of the big picture windows. A lonesome church sits on a nearby hill, adding to the unforgettable character of this remote location.



## SIGLÓ HOTEL

*Sigluðfjörður, Iceland*

*Days 3 to 4 (2 nights)*

Set on a picturesque small boat marina, The Sigló Hotel is a welcoming retreat in the historic town of Sigluðfjörður. Guest rooms are clean, modern, and bright and offer ocean and mountain views, best enjoyed from the window seat. Relax in the hot tub while enjoying million dollar views of the mountains and fjord, or take a seat by the fireplace with a cup of hot tea and watch fishermen bringing in their catch of the day. The hotel is close to a microbrewery, small museum, and folk music center.

These are our signature accommodations for this trip. Although it is highly unlikely, we may make substitutions when necessary. To see more photos and descriptions, please visit our *Northern Iceland: Off the Beaten Path* webpage and click on “Accommodations.”





## HOTELS IN MÝVATN

*Mývatn, Iceland*

*Days 5 to 6 (2 nights)*

In Mývatn, we stay at one of the following hotels:

### FOSSHOTEL MÝVATN

Fosshotel Mývatn was designed by award-winning architects and uses low-environmental impact materials, including larch wood and a grass roof that blends in with the surrounding nature. Inside, guests will find a nice lounge, bar, and restaurant, all with fantastic views. Guest rooms incorporate wood and brass furnishings for a sleek design. Be sure to grab a drink at the bar and enjoy the view of the lake from the restaurant or terrace.



### BERJAYA MÝVATN HOTEL

*(June 12-19, 2024 departure only)*

Set amid the unique landscapes near Lake Mývatn is the Berjaya Mývatn Hotel. Guest rooms are small yet comfortable, with clean bathrooms, views of the courtyard or surrounding area, and eclectic decor. There is a nice restaurant located in the hotel along with a “country tavern.” If you have time, enjoy a soak in one of the hotel’s hot tubs.



### FOSSHOTEL HÚSAVÍK

*Húsavík, Iceland*

*Day 7 (1 night)*

Húsavík calls itself the “whale watching capital of Europe” and this friendly hotel follows that theme, from its many paintings and sculptures relating to whales (and also a whale stamp collection!) to the Moby Dick bar and restaurant. Guest rooms are clean and simple, and the hotel is in a prime location for getting to our whale watching tour easily.

# Trip Leaders

Wilderness Travel Trip Leaders have a passion and a joy for creating an unforgettable journey. We are extremely proud of them and the incredible travel experiences they make possible. For more information about our Trip Leaders, including client comments about them and which specific trips they will be leading, please visit our webpage and click on "Trip Leaders": [www.wildernesstravel.com/trip/northern-iceland-dettifoss-hiking-tour/](http://www.wildernesstravel.com/trip/northern-iceland-dettifoss-hiking-tour/)



## ORRI SIGURJÓNSSON

Orri Sigurjónsson grew up in the small town of Hvanneyri in the western region of Iceland. He studied carpentry in college, but his true calling has always been the enchantments of Iceland's rugged landscapes, and he has been guiding in Iceland since 2010. "Traveling throughout the mountains is my passion," he says, "and being able to share that passion with other travelers and show them around my beautiful country is something I consider a privilege." When he's not leading trips, he enjoys mountaineering, skiing, ice climbing, skydiving, and playing music with his band, Vertigo.



## JÓN MARINÓ SÆVARSSON

Jón Marinó Sævarsson was born and raised in Akureyri, the "Capital of North Iceland." He has explored many parts of Iceland and loves sharing his culture with other travelers. When he is not guiding, he enjoys mountain biking, skiing, hiking, and fly fishing.



## ROB NOONAN

Rob Noonan came by his love of nature and the mountains early, adventuring throughout most of the Americas from Alaska to Tierra del Fuego and later earning a degree in environmental studies from Prescott College in Arizona. He has guided our Patagonia journeys since 1994, our hikes in the spectacular European Alps since 2007, and he is also our "northern ambassador" to Iceland and Greenland. In between trips, Rob lives in Flagstaff, Arizona, where he enjoys hiking and river rafting.



## LÍSA ÓSKARSDÓTTIR

Lisa is a native Icelandic and an outdoor adventurer who spends most of her time climbing, hiking, and biking on the mountains and glaciers of Iceland. She has a degree in adventure guiding from Thompson Rivers University in BC, Canada, and has also completed advanced courses from the Association of Icelandic Mountain Guides in mountaineering and glacier travels. She's used her knowledge gained from these courses throughout the past many years working as a full-time guide in Iceland. When she's not scaling mountains or biking down the trails, she loves spending quality time with her daughter, doing just about anything.



# Arrival & Departure

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Upon confirming your trip reservation, we will send you a Welcome Packet that includes a list of documents (passport, visas, etc.) required for your trip. Please feel free to call if you would like this information before making your air arrangements.

## ARRIVAL & MEETING PLACE

Reykjavík, Iceland

**Suggested Airport:** Keflavík International Airport (KEF)

**Suggested Date & Time:** Anytime prior to Day 1

**Meeting Place:** On the morning of Day 1, your Trip Leader will pick you up at any hotel within the Reykjavík city center and transfer you to the morning trip orientation. Please let us know which hotel you will be staying in the night before the trip begins.

Upon arrival in Reykjavík, you can transfer quite easily to all city center hotels on Reykjavík Excursion's FlyBus, which meets all arriving flights outside of the terminal. Tickets can be purchased either at the FlyBus booth in the arrivals hall with a credit card or online ([www.flybus.is](http://www.flybus.is)). The Flybus will drop passengers directly to the major hotels in Reykjavík. The transfer takes about 45 minutes. The FlyBus can also provide a departure transfer to the airport from these same hotels. Although taxis are available outside of the terminal, they are much more expensive than taking the FlyBus.

## INTERNAL FLIGHT (AKUREYRI TO REYKJAVÍK)

You must book the domestic flight from Akureyri to Reykjavík Domestic Airport directly with Air Iceland Connect ([www.airicelandconnect.com](http://www.airicelandconnect.com)). There are several flights a day and the flight is only 45 minutes. (We recommended Icelandair flight FI47 departing at 4:50 pm.) The approximate cost is \$110-\$190 one way.

## DEPARTURE

Akureyri, Iceland

**Suggested Airport:** Akureyri Airport (AEY)

**Suggested Date & Time:** Day 8, after 3:00 pm

After lunch on Day 8, we provide an airport transfer to the Akureyri Airport around 4:00 pm. It's a 10-minute drive to the airport and you only need to be there 30 minutes prior to the flight. This transfer is arranged to connect with the Icelandair flight FI47 departing Akureyri at 4:50 pm and arriving at Reykjavík Domestic Airport at 5:35 pm. If you are departing Akureyri at a different time, you can take a taxi to the airport (approximate cost \$20 USD).

Upon arrival at Reykjavík Domestic Airport, you will transfer to Keflavík International Airport, for late-evening flights to Europe, or stay the night in Reykjavík and depart on homeward-bound flights the following day.

## INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

You are responsible for making your own arrangements for flights to and from Iceland.

There are many online consolidators for booking travel, but for more personal help arranging air transport, you can contact Exito Travel at 1-800-655-4053 in the US or 1-800-670-2605 in Canada. They are very adept at putting flight itineraries together, to even the most far-flung places. More information can be found at [www.exitotravel.com](http://www.exitotravel.com).

Depending on your routing, it is necessary to depart from the US. one or possibly two days prior to Day 1, and after Day 8, of the trip itinerary. The name on your airline ticket must match the name on your passport exactly, and your passport must be valid for at least six months after your date of return to the US.

**Please do not purchase your tickets until you are confirmed on the trip.** Once your tickets have been purchased, please send us a copy of your airline schedule. It is your responsibility to ensure your flight times coordinate with the arrival and departure logistics for this trip.

# Trip Details

## WHAT THE TRIP IS LIKE

This trip is Level 3+, Moderate to Strenuous. It features daily mountain hikes and hotel accommodations throughout. Some of the ascents and descents are steep, and the rugged terrain includes ankle-deep bogs, stony paths, and cross-country travel over open ground. Rain can bring on mud, which makes footing tricky as well. Sturdy, well-broken-in hiking boots are essential. Gaiters are not required but will protect your pant legs from getting wet when we hike through boggy areas. Hiking poles are highly recommended (we provide poles to those who do not wish to pack their own).

Please note that in Europe, the dinner hour is considerably later than what it is in the US. We do our best to secure early reservations for our groups, but most often the evening meal will be at 7:30 pm.

Iceland's weather will dictate our exact hiking itinerary. Trip members need to remain flexible in consideration of inclement weather that may require changes, such as substituting different hiking routes, canceling hikes, or switching the days of certain hikes. For your own enjoyment, we recommend you make a special effort to be in good physical condition. Daily brisk walking and/or regular hiking (or using a stair-climbing machine at your gym) are excellent preparatory exercises.

## WEATHER

Temperatures should be in the mid 50s, perfect for hiking. The weather can provide spectacular clear days but can also be very wet, cold, and changeable, and we want you to be well prepared for all you may encounter. Icelandic weather is always unpredictable, so you must come prepared for at least some rain and bring appropriate rain gear. It is unlikely that it will be hot. The winds can be strong and very cold, even on sunny days.

## CHOOSING THE RIGHT TRIP

Adventure travel often involves exotic destinations, unusual levels of physical exertion, or activities you may not have participated in previously. We work hard to help you choose the right trip for you, paying attention to your individual interests, abilities, and needs. If you have questions about the level of comfort or any of the activities described in this itinerary, please call Wilderness Travel at 1-800-368-2794 and ask for the Europe Manager or email us at [europe@wildernesstravel.com](mailto:europe@wildernesstravel.com).

## REFERENCES

We'd be happy to put you in touch with a past client that has traveled with us on this or a similar trip.

## VISIT OUR WEBSITE

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Average Daily Max/Min °F												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Reykjavik	34/25	36/27	36/27	41/30	48/37	52/43	55/45	54/45	48/39	43/34	36/28	34/25
Akureyri	37/24	36/23	38/25	43/30	50/37	56/43	60/47	59/46	53/40	44/32	39/27	37/24
Rainfall - Inches												
Reykjavik	3.9	3.8	3.9	3.0	2.4	2.6	2.6	3.3	3.4	4.5	3.8	3.9
Akureyri	1.3	1.4	1.2	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	1.2	0.8	0.6



# Toucan Club Rewards & Discounts

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Here's how it works:

## YOUR FIRST TRIP

As a first-time traveler, you receive a lightweight Wilderness Travel T-shirt and set of durable WT Luggage Tags. On subsequent trips, we're happy to send you a new WT T-shirt and set of Luggage Tags by request.

## YOUR SECOND TRIP

A top quality Wilderness Travel insulated stainless steel water bottle by CamelBak and a cozy Wilderness Travel fleece vest by Patagonia (\$130 value).

## YOUR THIRD TRIP

A versatile Wilderness Travel R-1 pullover by Patagonia (\$140 value).

## YOUR FOURTH TRIP

Discounts on the cost of your trip begin! You receive a 4% discount on the tour cost.

## FIVE AND MORE TRIPS

You receive a 5% discount on the base trip cost. On your sixth trip, you receive a 6% discount, and so on up to your 10th trip. The maximum discount is 10%, with a ceiling of \$500.

*Note: Due to special pricing considerations, Toucan Club discounts do not apply to our Private Journeys or Special Events. However, your participation on these trips does count toward your Toucan discount on future departures of Wilderness Travel's regular adventures.*

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

Toucan Club travel discounts cannot be used in conjunction with any other discount, unless otherwise specified. Discounts are deducted from the base trip cost and shown on the final invoice. The base trip cost is the main land/tier cost and does not include single supplement fees, extensions, internal airfare, or other additional charges. Bonus gifts (T-shirts, luggage tags, vests, water bottles, and pullovers) will be mailed approximately three weeks prior to trip departure. Terms and conditions of Toucan Club bonuses are subject to change or cancellation at the discretion of Wilderness Travel, Inc.



MEN'S T-SHIRT



WOMEN'S T-SHIRT



PATAGONIA SYNCHILLA FLEECE VEST  
PLUS INSULATED CAMELBAK WATER BOTTLE



PATAGONIA R1 PULLOVER

# Travel Notes

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# Travel Notes

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## WILDERNESS TRAVEL HAS BEEN AWARDED:

**World's Best Tour Operators:** *Travel + Leisure*, 2022, 11-time winner  
**Best Travel Specialists in the World:** *Conde Nast Traveller*, 2022, 3 years in a row  
**Best Wildlife, Hiking & Walking Trips:** *AFAR Magazine*, 3 years in a row  
**Best Adventure Travel Companies:** *USA Today*  
**Trip of the Year:** *Outside Magazine*, 9-time winner  
**50 Tours of a Lifetime:** *National Geographic Traveler*, 9 years in a row  
**Best Adventure Travel Companies:** *National Geographic Adventure*, 3-time winner

Please be advised that California has established a Travel Consumer Restitution Fund under the California Seller of Travel Law that took effect January 1, 1996. This fund is designed to protect consumers from unscrupulous practices by discount airfare ticket sellers or air charter operators. Unfortunately, this law does not cover non-California residents and, even in the case of California residents, it does not cover any foreign travel where the foreign "providers of transportation or travel services" are not in compliance with the Sellers of Travel Law (compliance being defined as registered as a Seller of Travel in California and a participant in the Travel Consumer Restitution Fund). Thus none of Wilderness Travel's tours qualify and we are required by law to advise each client that they are not covered by the California Travel Consumer Restitution Fund. California law requires sellers of travel to maintain a trust account or bond. This business has a trust account. California Seller of Travel #100769640

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