

Akureyri (Iceland)

AEY-02 - Incredible Lake Myvatn

Duration: 8h00

Price: 140 €

This popular tour encompasses the highlights of Northern Iceland – the magical Lake Myvatn, the bubbling mud-pots and fumaroles of Namaskard, the mystical lava landscape of Dimmuborgir and the vivid green pseudo-craters at Skutustadir.

The journey starts with a drive along the picturesque coastline of **Eyjafjordur Fjord**. Your drive continues through fertile farmlands until you reach **Lake Myvatn**, one of Iceland's natural treasures. The lake is home to tens of thousands of birds, among them a variety of duck species. The area surrounding the lake is of tremendous geological interest.

The next stop of your journey is **Namaskard**, a striking geothermal field full of mud-pots, steam vents, sulphur deposits, boiling springs and fumaroles. The experience is otherworldly with incredible colours, steam that rises from the earth and the loud popping of air bubbles in the mud-pots.

Close by is Dimmuborgir, a dramatic lava landscape with strange formations, columns and arches that have been the source of many folktales in Iceland. The name means "dark fortress", an appropriately mystical name for this peculiar place.

A short drive will take you from Dimmuborgir to Skutustadir pseudo-craters. The craters were formed by gas explosions when boiling lava flowed over the wetlands near the lake. The craters are a popular site for birdwatchers and are protected as a natural wetland's conservation area. Eventually **Godafoss Waterfall**, "Waterfall of the Gods", is reached. The name refers to an important historical event that took place in the year 1000 when Icelanders officially became a Christian nation. Finally, you will head back to the pier with a short Akureyri panoramic city tour.

- For this moderate excursion, we recommend you wear good and comfortable walking shoes (the terrain can be slippery), a wind and waterproof jacket and take a warm pullover. Please be aware that the order of the visits may be reversed. This tour is only conducted in English.