

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

PRESENTS
A GUIDED TOUR OF



ICELAND



JUNE 10 – 19, 2018



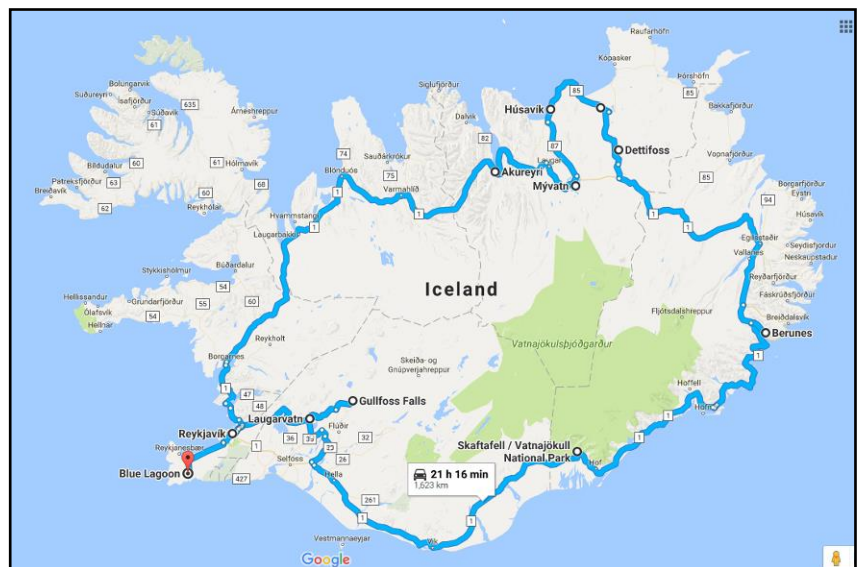
Join San Diego Mesa College geology professor Don Barrie on a grand tour of Iceland's natural wonders: waterfalls, glaciers, icebergs, volcanoes, geysers, hot springs, lakes, beaches, birdlife, and more. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Mesa College Foundation for student scholarships, and San Diego community college students will receive a \$100 discount. Early registration discount is also available. Registration form is available at WWW.GEOTOURS.US/TOUR/MESA-ICELAND-2018

LAND COST = \$2590 - includes lodging in a twin-shared room, private tour bus, many entries and activities, Professor Don Barrie as group leader, English-speaking GeoTours guide, most breakfasts.

AIRFARE is additional, and costs approximately \$1000 round-trip from Los Angeles to Reykjavik.

INCLUDED ENTRIES/ACTIVITIES

- Reykjavik – Hallgrímskirkja Church Tower
- Blue Lagoon – Soak in warm, aquamarine water
- Kerio Volcanic Crater
- Strokkur Geyser
- Gullfoss Waterfalls
- Þingvellir – Rift zone between tectonic plates
- Seljalandsfoss Waterfalls
- Skogar Folk Museum
- Skogafoss Waterfall
- Reynisfjara - Black sand beach & volcanic cliffs
- Vatnajökull National Park - Skaftafell section
- Svinafell Glacier
- Optional glacier hike at Vatnajökull Nat'l Park
- Optional visit to nature reserve with puffins
- Fjallsarlón & Jokulsarlón - Iceberg lagoons
- Dettifoss & Selfoss Waterfalls
- Lake Myvatn
- Krafla Volcano and Viti Crater Lake
- Dimmuborgir - Lava towers and lava tube
- Hverir - Bubbling mud pits and fumaroles
- Godafoss Waterfall
- Akureyri – Botanical Gardens



TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS BY:
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MESA COLLEGE ICELAND TOUR – JUNE 10 – 19, 2018

TRIP COST = \$2590 (lodging, ground transport, entries/activities, most breakfasts)
AIRFARE = \$1000 - approximate cost for round-trip Los Angeles – Reykjavik non-stop

Sunday 6/10/18 Depart USA

Depart from Los Angeles on a nonstop evening flight to Reykjavik, Iceland

Mon 6/11/18 Arrive Reykjavik, Iceland

Arrive Reykjavik mid-day, capital city of Iceland. Visit Hallgrímskirkja church tower, with great views over Reykjavik, and take a short walking tour of Reykjavik. Two nights in Laugarvatn.

Tue 6/12/18 Golden Circle

See some of Iceland's top highlights: Crater lake in Kerio volcano, Strokkur Geyser exploding every few minutes, Gullfoss waterfalls, and Þingvellir National Park where the North American plate is pulling apart from the Eurasian plate. Option for a swim, soak, and sauna in Laugarvatn.

Wed 6/13/18 Reykjavik to Vatnajökull

Visit magnificent waterfalls: Seljalandsfoss (which you can walk behind) & thundering Skogafoss. See traditional Icelandic houses with turf roofs at Skogar Folk Museum. Stroll along a black sand beach at Reynisfjara, backed by volcanic cliffs. Two nights near Vatnajökull National Park.

Thu 6/14/18 Vatnajökull National Park

Full day in Vatnajökull National Park with great hiking to see glaciers and waterfalls. Option to do a professionally-guided glacier hike (3.5 hours - \$95). Another option is to see puffins and other birdlife at Ingolfshofdi Nature Reserve (\$70).

Fri 6/15/18 Glacier Lagoons to Berunes

Marvel at Fjallsarlón and Jokulsarlón, lagoons with icebergs in front of massive glaciers. One night in Berunes at a guesthouse on a fjord.

Sat 6/16/18 Berunes to Myvatn

Hike to impressive Dettifoss, Europe's largest waterfall, and lovely Sellfoss waterfalls. Visit the beautiful fishing town of Husavik. Two nights near Lake Myvatn.

Sun 6/17/18 Lake Myvatn area

A day for geological wonders around Lake Myvatn: Godafoss waterfall, hike through a volcanic landscape with lava towers and lava tubes, Krafla volcano with a beautiful crater lake, and bubbling mud pits and fumaroles at Hverir.

Mon 6/18/18 Myvatn to Akureyri to Reykjavik

Stroll through beautiful botanical gardens in Akureyri, Iceland's 2nd largest city. Continue to Reykjavik for one final night in Iceland.

Tue 6/19/18 Blue Lagoon and Depart Iceland

Visit the Blue Lagoon to soak in the aquamarine-colored geothermal waters. Depart Reykjavik late afternoon for the USA.



REGISTRATION FOR THIS TOUR AND MORE INFO CAN BE FOUND AT

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GENERAL INFORMATION – MESA ICELAND TOUR 2018

Tour Dates

- Depart Los Angeles in the evening, Sunday, June 10, 2018 on non-stop flight (Wow Airlines - 8.5 hour flight)
- Arrive Reykjavik in the early afternoon, Monday, June 11, 2018
- Depart Reykjavik late afternoon, Tuesday, June 19, 2018
- Arrive Los Angeles in the evening, Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Land Cost

- \$2590, including lodging, ground transport, many entries/activities, English-speaking guide, most breakfasts.
- A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Mesa College Foundation for student scholarships.
- Iceland is an expensive country. This trip has most breakfasts included, but restaurant meals are expensive (\$15-40 for dinners). We will often stop at supermarkets to buy food, and sometimes stay at places with kitchen facilities where we can cook our own meals.

Airfare

- Additional cost of approximately \$1000 for non-stop round-trip Los Angeles – Reykjavik – Los Angeles on Wow Airlines.

Discounts

- Early registration discount of \$100 if you register with your \$300 deposit before June 30, 2017.
- Early registration discount of \$50 if you register with your \$300 deposit between July 1 and September 30, 2017
- Discount of \$100 for college students registering for the tour before January 31, 2018. Students must be enrolled in at least one academic course in the San Diego Community College District (Mesa, Miramar, or San Diego City College) during 2017 or 2018.

Registration Procedure

- Open to all ages; it is not necessary to be a student or affiliated with San Diego Mesa College
- Complete and sign a Mesa Iceland 2018 registration form, available at:
 - WWW.GEOTOURS.US/TOUR/MESA-ICELAND-2018
 - On the next page of this information sheet
 - From San Diego Mesa geology professor Don Barrie (dbarriegeo@gmail.com; 619-208-6507)
- Return the completed registration form with a \$300 deposit to GeoTours LLC to Professor Barrie in person, or to GeoTours by US mail or online (instructions, payment options, and address are on the registration form).

Leader/Guide & Group Size

- Mesa College geology professor Don Barrie will lead the group
- GeoTours guide (Matt Ebiner) will accompany, direct, and guide the tour.
- Group size will be a minimum 12 people, plus Professor Barrie, Guide Matt, and Icelandic driver. Maximum size is 24 people.

Accommodations

- Price is based on sharing a room; if you don't have a preferred roommate we will try match you with a roommate.
- Lodging is at hotels, guesthouses, and cabins, sometimes with a shared bathroom. Single room supplement is +\$600.

Transportation

- Private tour bus (30+ seats) with English-speaking driver

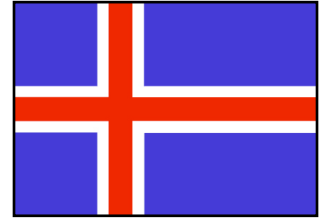
Pace/Physical Effort

- This trip has a moderate pace and participants should be able to walk up to 5 miles on the longest day.
- The average bus travel time is 2-3 hours per day, but a couple of days have 5-6 hours on the bus.
- The weather is cool in June (average high usually in the 50sF) and light rain is likely about 3 days per week.

Any Questions? Please contact:

- Mesa geology professor Don Barrie - dbarriegeo@gmail.com; 619-208-6507
- GeoTours guide Matt Ebiner – mattebiner@geotours.us; 310-686-8171

Registration Form – Mesa College Iceland Tour: June 10-19, 2018- LAND COST = \$2590
(Includes lodging, private transportation, entries/activities, International Airfare extra)



or

REGISTRATION/PAYMENT PROCEDURE

1. Complete this form and submit it to Don Barrie or to GeoTours. You should keep a copy of this completed form.
2. Attach a \$300 payment (made payable to GeoTours LLC) to this form and mail to GeoTours at the address below submit payment online through www.venmo.com or www.paypal.com, payable to payment@geotours.us or 310-686-8171. You can also make an online bank transfer if you are a customer of Chase (through QuickPay) or Wells Fargo (SurePay) to mattebiner@geotours.us or 310-686-8171 (GeoTours phone #).
3. Second payment of \$500 is due on January 15, 2018.
4. Third payment of \$600 is due on February 28, 2018
5. Final payment is due March 31, 2018. If signing up after March 31, full payment is due with registration.
6. Payments made after April 30 will be assessed a \$75 late fee.

Payments should be made payable to GeoTours LLC and sent to:

GeoTours
1547 E. Puente Street
Covina, CA 91724

CONTACTS:

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 Don Barrie, Mesa Professor & Group Leader
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SPECIAL DISCOUNTS!

- Sign up before June 30, 2017 with your deposit and receive a \$100 discount.
- Sign up June 1 – September 30, 2017 and receive a \$50 discount
- Sign up October 1 – November 30, 2017 and receive a \$25 discount.
- San Diego Community College District students receive a \$100 discount if signing up before January 31, 2018 (added to early registration discount).

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION - Please print clearly and use your precise name as it appears on your passport

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Gender: _____

Address _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Are you a US citizen? Yes ___ No, I am a citizen of _____ Passport # _____ Passport Expiration _____

Email Address _____ Phone (_____) _____ Date of Birth _____

Are you a college student in the San Diego Community College District? _____ If so, what campus? _____

ACCOMMODATION REQUEST - The program price is based on double occupancy. If you sign up without a roommate we will try to match you with a roommate, but this is not guaranteed. A single room incurs a supplement of +\$600.

Please check one: Sharing a Twin room (2 beds) _____ Sharing a Double room (1 large bed; if available) _____ Single Room _____

Name of preferred roommate (if any) _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell (_____) _____ Email Address _____

CANCELLATIONS

To cancel your participation, you need to inform GeoTours in writing or by email. Cancellation date is the date when GeoTours receives your written notice

Date of Cancellation	Cancellation Penalty	Date of Cancellation	Cancellation Penalty
On or before September 30, 2017	\$100	January 1 – February 28, 2018	\$500
October 1 – November 30, 2017	\$200	March 1 – April 30, 2018	\$600
December 1 – 31, 2017	\$300	After May 1, 2018	No Refund

Responsibility The program participant agrees that GeoTours LLC and San Diego Mesa College assume no liability whatsoever for loss of property, injury, accident, illness, death, irregularity and delays during the duration of the tour. In addition, the program participant agrees to hold GeoTours LLC and San Diego Mesa College harmless for damage and delay due to equipment problems, quarantine, declared or undeclared war and insurrection, terrorist and criminal activity, revolt, civil disturbance, hostility, military action, strikes, labor unrest, any “act of God” or nature and for any act of any third party. The participant, by registering for this tour, agrees that GeoTours LLC and San Diego Mesa College are not responsible for delay, rerouting, omission and additional expense resulting from the passenger’s improper travel documents such as passport, visa and health document. Any losses and expenses related to such circumstances are within the responsibility of the program participants and not of GeoTours LLC. GeoTours LLC and San Diego Mesa College are not responsible for acts of any government authority. GeoTours LLC and San Diego Mesa reserve the right to adjust itinerary and contents and to substitute accommodation providers as deemed necessary. GeoTours LLC and San Diego Mesa reserve the right to accept or decline any person as a program participant as well as to refuse to retain any participant’s membership in the program. Participants that do not participate in an activity or entry, or who leave the tour early or arrive late, will not be entitled to any refund. By registering for this tour, the participant agrees to all such terms and conditions.

I have carefully read and agree to the regulations above.

Participant Signature _____ Date _____

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