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*Sample Tour: Iceland  
Typical 5 Day Itinerary*

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*A Geography study tour abroad is the perfect way to give young people the opportunity to gain a better understanding of what they are being taught in the classroom. Ben Lawries Travel creates tailor-made Geography Tours for schools to various field study locations in Europe and further a field. The tours are designed to bring the National Curriculum to life and to help students to visualise classroom theories. Detailed below is just one example.*

## **Iceland: Geography Tour – 5 days**

**Iceland is an ideal location for Geographers with its wild and rugged landscape and being home to erupting geysers, cascading waterfalls, glaciers and erupting volcanoes!**

### **Day 1 – Arrival Reykjavik**

Arrive at Keflavik airport from the UK and transfer by private coach to Reykjavik Youth hostel, located in Laugardalur on the outskirts of the city and situated next door to a 50 metre outdoor pool with hot pots!  
*Dinner and overnight in Laugardalur.*

### **Day 2 – Geothermal Landscapes**

Visit the Pingvellir National Park, an official World Heritage Site and an area where the consequences of the European and American continental plates being slowly pushed apart is visible for all to see. Walk through the Almannagja fault to the place where the Icelandic parliament was established in 930AD. Visit the Gullfoss, “the golden waterfall”, and the Great Geyser and see how hot water from geothermal fields has led to greenhouse cultivation. Finally visit Kerio, a lake-filled volcanic crater. *Dinner and overnight in Laugardalur.*

### **Day 3 – Volcanoes, Waterfalls and Glaciers**

Travel by coach along the south shore through coastal villages and rich farmlands, passing the Seljalandsfoss and Skogafoss waterfalls and the cliff projecting out of the ocean at Dyrholaey before stopping for lunch at the village of Vik. Walk along the seashore flanked by cliffs full of sea birds and view the Hekla volcano.

Visit the Solheimajokull glacial tongue and study the moraines and melt water channels.  
*Dinner and overnight in Laugardalur.*

### **Day 4 – Lava Fields**

Swim in the breathtaking turquoise blue waters of the Blue Lagoon, a man-made oasis in the lava fields of the Reykjanes peninsula. The Blue Lagoon is a pool of hot saline, mineral rich, but unpolluted water running off from the Svartsengi power station which pumps geothermally heated water from the underground lava fields and generates both heat and electricity.

Visit the fishing village of Grindavik for a short stop at the busy harbour and travel on to the rugged lava fields and the lighthouse at the tip of the peninsula.

Drive through Hafnarfjordur onto Bessastadir and visit an 18th century church famed for its stained glass windows.  
*Dinner and overnight in Laugardalur.*

### **Day 5 – Depart Reykjavik**

Coach transfer to Keflavik airport and fly back to the UK.

Guide Prices £625 per person including flights ex Glasgow based on 4 nights half board. Destination coach transfers and all excursion fees included.

The above itinerary is for illustration purposes only. All tours are tailor made to the requirements of the individual client.

### **Other Geography Tours**

France – 4 nights on a half board basis from £469 per person.

