

# KRÝSUVÍK GEOPARK

LAND OF FIRE  
ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION &  
NATURE EXPLORATION

General Information



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## Project Overview

Join us for an immersive 9-day volunteer experience combining environmental conservation, sustainability workshops, and Icelandic adventure. Participate in tree planting, soil restoration, beach cleaning, and upcycling activities, while exploring geothermal areas, waterfalls, and cultural highlights.

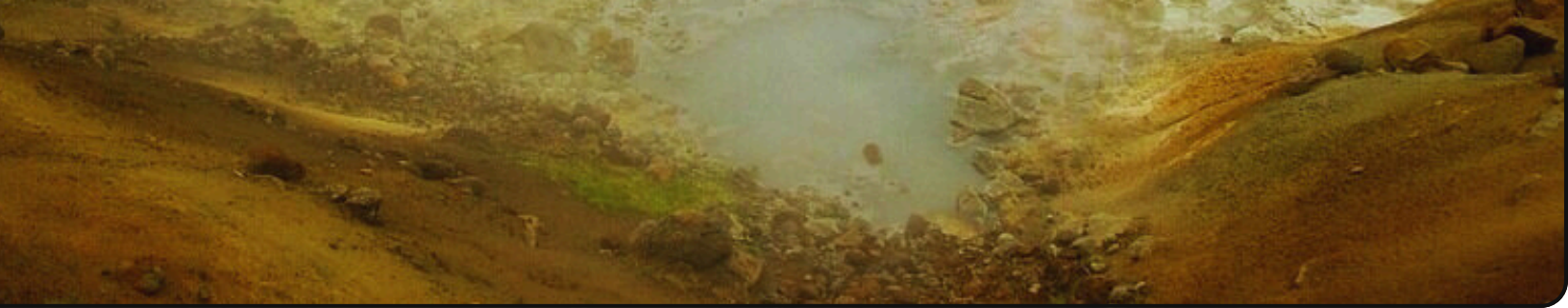
### Highlights

- **Restore volcanic landscapes through soil conservation and tree-planting work.**
- **Protect Iceland's coastline with beach cleanups and upcycling workshops.**
- **Explore iconic natural wonders — Golden Circle, South Coast, and Reykjadalur.**
- **Learn about sustainability at a geothermal power plant, eco-village, and Perlan Museum.**
- **Connect globally while experiencing Iceland's geothermal nature and culture.**

### Main Objectives

- Enhance understanding of Iceland's volcanic and geothermal ecosystems through hands-on conservation work in Krýsuvík Geopark.
- Support local sustainability efforts, including soil restoration, tree planting, and coastline protection.
- Strengthen intercultural cooperation and teamwork within an international volunteer group.
- Promote eco-conscious living by integrating educational workshops, guided excursions, and reflective learning.





### **Day 1 – Arrival & Welcome to Iceland**

- Pick up and transfer to WF Sustainable Center, Krýsuvík.
- Welcome dinner and introductions with team leaders.
- Orientation session: “Living Sustainably in Iceland – Nature, Culture & Community.”
- Evening: Intercultural icebreaker and expectations sharing.

### **Day 2 – Volunteering: Soil Conservation & Erosion Control**

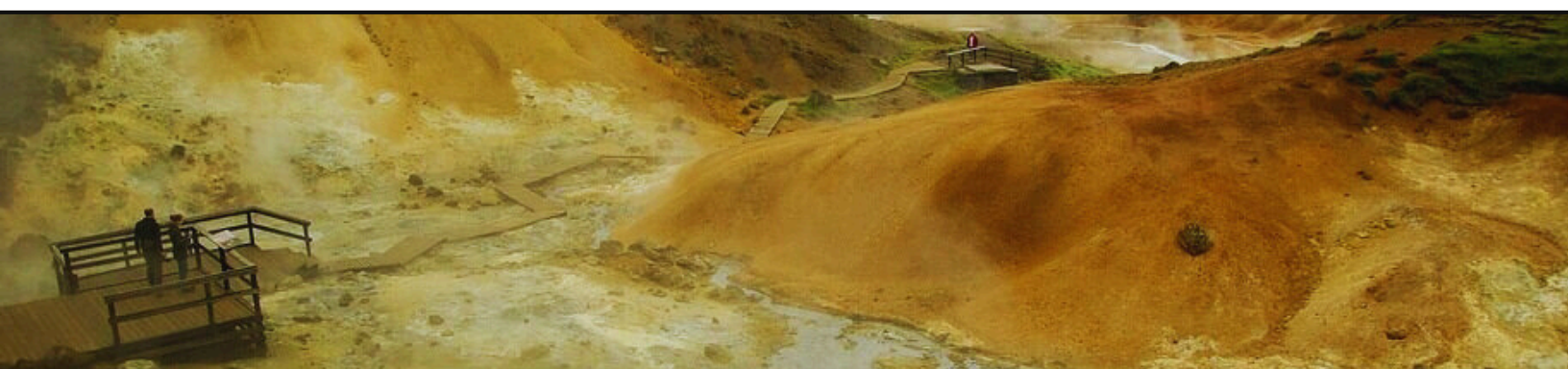
- Morning: Introduction to soil restoration and safety briefing.
- Fieldwork: Restoring eroded land areas.
- Afternoon: Workshop on “The Impact of Climate Change on Icelandic Soil & Ecosystems.”
- Evening: Group reflection and movie night (Chasing Ice).

### **Day 3 – Reykjavík Day Visit**

- Morning transfer to Reykjavík.
- Walking tour: Hallgrímskirkja, Harpa Concert Hall, and Old Harbour.
- Visit Perlan Museum: glaciers, ecosystems, and climate exhibits.
- Evening: Return WF House and group reflection.

### **Day 4 – Educational Excursion: Golden Circle & Geothermal Power Plant**

- Visit Þingvellir National Park, Gullfoss Waterfall, and Geysir Hot Springs.
- Guided tour of Hellisheiði Geothermal Power Plant to learn about renewable energy.
- Evening: Return WF House and reflection on sustainability.





### **Day 5 – Volunteering: Beach Cleaning & Upcycling Workshop**

- Morning: Beach cleanup along Reykjanes Peninsula.
- Sorting and documenting marine litter.
- Afternoon: Upcycling workshop — turn collected materials into art or practical items.
- Evening: Creative session and group discussion.
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### **Day 6 – Volunteering: Tree Planting & Habitat Restoration**

- Morning: Planting native trees and shrubs to restore forest areas.
- Afternoon: Maintenance of walking paths and fences.
- Evening: Optional hike to Seltun geothermal fields or free time.

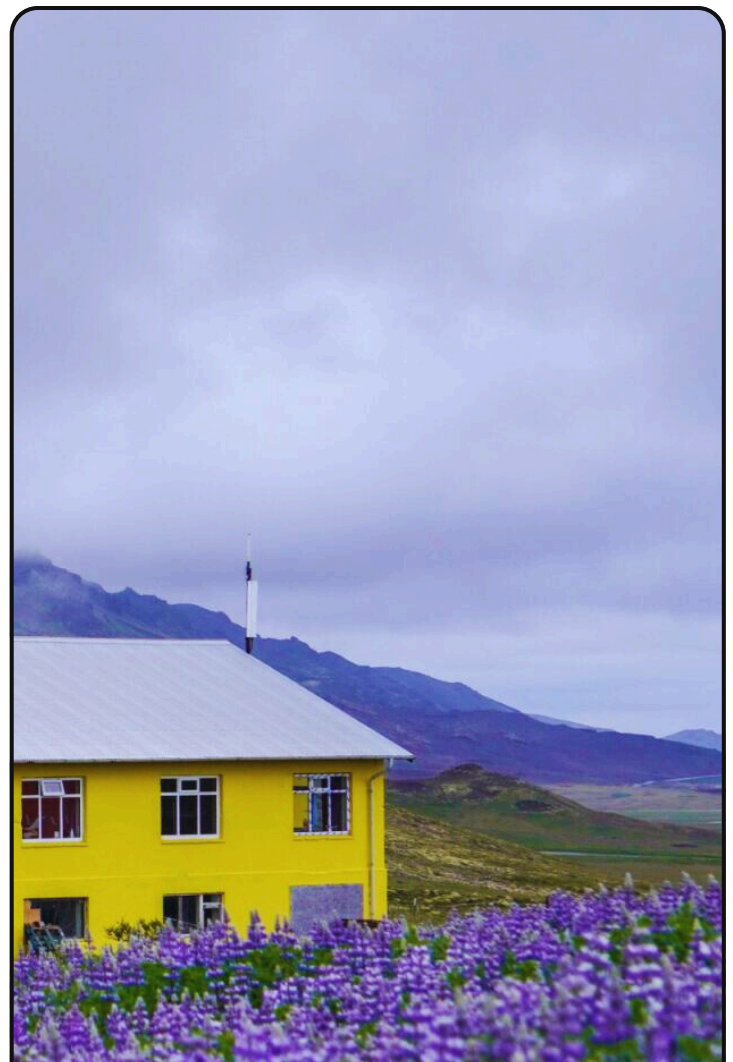
### **Day 7 – South Coast Adventure & Farewell Dinner**

- Visit Seljalandsfoss and Skógafoss waterfalls.
- Stop at Reynisfjara Black Sand Beach to explore volcanic formations.
- Optional lunch in Vík.
- Evening: Farewell dinner and certificate ceremony.

### **Day 8 – Volunteering & Personal Project Reflection**

- Morning: House cleanup and preparation of final projects.
- Afternoon: Group presentations and discussions — share what each participant learned about sustainability, Iceland, and community impact.
- Evening: Final reflection, closing remarks, and certificate ceremony.

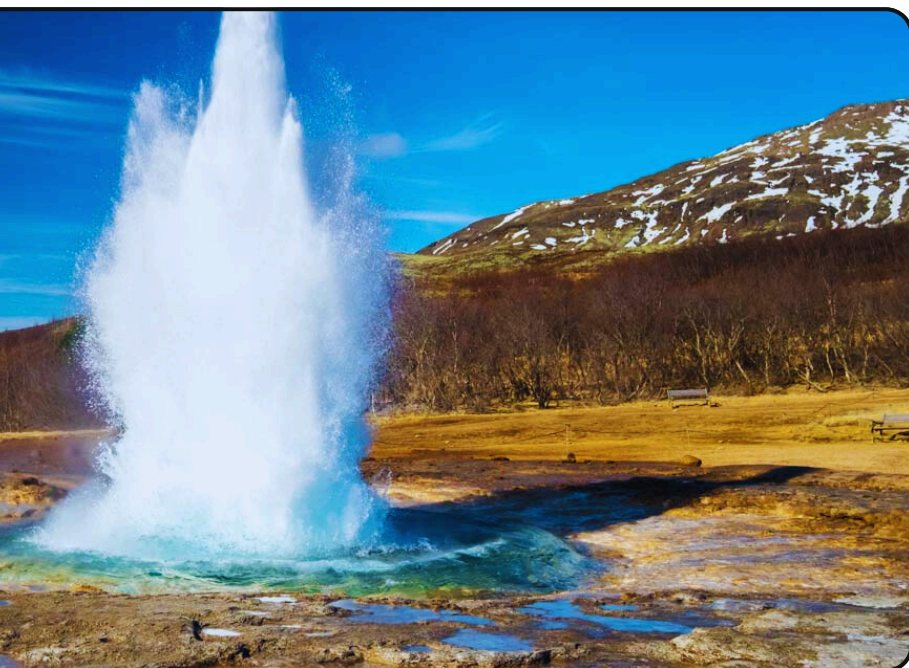
### **Drop off**



## Workshops & Learning

### Outcomes

- Understand Iceland's geothermal and volcanic landscapes and their role in sustainability.
- Learn practical eco-skills, such as making eco-friendly products and upcycling materials collected during cleanups.
- Practice responsible waste management and environmental stewardship, especially in fragile Arctic-subarctic ecosystems.
- Develop teamwork, leadership, and intercultural communication skills through collaborative fieldwork and group activities.



## Included Excursions

- Golden Circle Excursion (4 stops)
- South Coast (4 stops)
- Perlan Museum
- Geothermal Power Plant Visit

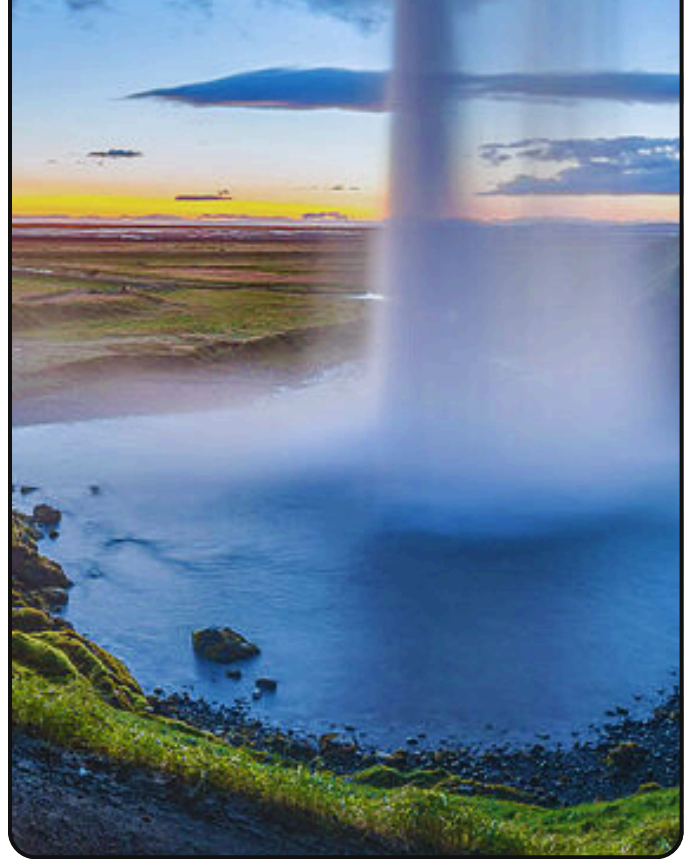
## Expected Impact

Participants will leave with:

- A deeper understanding of Iceland's unique geothermal and volcanic environment and the challenges of protecting it.
- Practical skills for sustainable living, including conservation techniques, waste reduction, and eco-friendly habits.
- A meaningful sense of contribution to ongoing restoration, beach cleaning, and environmental protection efforts in the Geopark.
- Strengthened intercultural connections and teamwork experience gained from collaborating with volunteers from around the world.

## Accommodation & Logistics

- Shared volunteer house (Capacity 25)
- Shared kitchen and common areas
- Ingredients provided for three meals per day (participants cook and clean together; vegetarian-friendly)
- Camp leader guiding and supporting the group
- Local transportation included for all volunteering and excursion days
- When transportation is not required, the group will walk to activity sites — as part of our environmentally friendly approach.



## Weather & Clothing

Icelandic summer weather is mild but unpredictable. Temperatures typically range from 10–15°C, but wind, rain, and sudden changes are common — you may experience sunshine, fog, and showers all in the same day.

What to Pack for Summer:

- Waterproof jacket and pants (essential)
- Warm layers (fleece or wool sweaters)
- T-shirts and lighter layers for sunny moments
- Waterproof hiking boots
- Hat and gloves (yes — even in summer!)
- Swimsuit and towel (for hot springs and pools)
- Comfortable walking/hiking clothes
- Reusable water bottle

### Included

- ✓ Accommodation and meals (Vegetarian Diet)
- ✓ Airport or city transfer (arrival/departure)
- ✓ Local transport to activities and excursions
- ✓ Workshops and materials
- ✓ Golden Circle
- ✓ South Coast
- ✓ Geothermal Power Plant
- ✓ WF coordinator and project leader support

### Not Included

- ✗ International flights
- ✗ Personal expenses
- ✗ Medical insurance (mandatory)



## VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

This Volunteer Participation Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into between Worldwide Friends Iceland (“WF” or “the Organization”) and the undersigned Volunteer (or Parent/Legal Guardian if the Volunteer is under 18 years of age).

**1. Participation:** The Volunteer desires to participate in volunteer programs, activities, excursions, transportation, and related services provided by WF (collectively, the “Activities”).

**2. Assumption of Risk:** The Volunteer understands and acknowledges that participation in the Activities involves inherent risks, including but not limited to:

- Travel-related risks
- Outdoor and environmental risks
- Physical injury
- Illness
- Property damage or loss
- Serious injury or death

The Volunteer voluntarily and knowingly assumes all such risks.

**3. Release of Liability:** To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Volunteer releases and discharges WF, its directors, officers, employees, contractors, agents, partners, and affiliates from any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of action arising out of or related to participation in the Activities, including those resulting from ordinary negligence. This release does not exclude liability where exclusion is prohibited by mandatory law.

**4. Indemnification:** The Volunteer agrees to indemnify and hold harmless WF from any claims, liabilities, damages, losses, or expenses (including reasonable legal fees) arising from the Volunteer’s participation or misconduct.

**5. Insurance:** WF provides third-party liability insurance during the program. WF does not provide medical, accident, travel, or personal property insurance. The Volunteer is solely responsible for obtaining adequate insurance coverage.

**6. Medical Fitness:** The Volunteer confirms that they are physically and mentally fit to participate and have disclosed any relevant medical conditions.

**7. Governing Law and Jurisdiction:** This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of Iceland. Any dispute arising from this Agreement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the District Court of Iceland.

**8. Severability:** If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**9. Code of Conduct:** The Volunteer agrees to comply with the following standards during participation in the Activities:

- **Respect and Non-Discrimination:** WF is committed to maintaining an environment free from discrimination, harassment, and inappropriate behavior. All participants must treat others with respect and dignity.
- **Appropriate Clothing:** Suitable outdoor clothing and appropriate footwear must be worn at all times. WF reserves the right to refuse participation in activities where attire poses a safety risk.
- **Prohibited Substances:** The use or possession of illegal drugs is strictly prohibited. WF reserves the right to terminate participation of any Volunteer believed to be under the influence of drugs.
- **Behavior and Safety:** WF reserves the right to refuse participation or terminate the stay of any Volunteer whose conduct is disruptive, offensive, unsafe, or likely to cause harm or distress to others.
- **Consequences of Dismissal:** In the event of dismissal due to violation of this Code of Conduct, no refund shall be issued, and any additional expenses incurred shall be the responsibility of the Volunteer.

**10. Media Release Agreement:** The Volunteer grants WF the irrevocable right to use photographs, video recordings, audio recordings, and likeness for promotional, educational, informational, and social media purposes, worldwide and without time limitation, without compensation. The Volunteer waives any right to inspect or approve the finished materials and releases WF from any claims arising from such use.

**11. Acknowledgment:** By participating in the project, the participants accept the above information.

