

Iceland

For those going to Iceland, you can take any flight from Helsinki to Reykjavik (Keflavik International) on either Aug. 13 or 14, depending on whether or not you want to spend part of Aug. 14 sightseeing. Since nothing but getting to the hotel and (in the evening) meeting our guide happens on Aug. 14, you can take any flight you wish. You will make your own way to the hotel, which is close by (it's a small airport.) Please note: if you want the lowest fare, you should fly totally on Icelandic, as they provide the Iceland stopover for no additional cost. We are in the process of looking for a Reykjavik city tour, but have not yet found one that we are totally satisfied with. We will keep you posted.

The last day of the tour, Aug. 20, is also a free day, as we will each fly home whenever we want. Ron and I will be taking the Gray Line tour that picks us up at the hotel, takes us to the Blue Lagoon, includes the entry fee, and then takes us to the airport. For information on this tour, type in "Gray Line blue lagoon" in your browser and look for the tour "Reykjavik to Blue Lagoon and Keflavik Airport."

Iceland Insurance options:

- GAdventures requires \$200,000 combined medical/evacuation/repatriation insurance for each of us.
- TravelGuard includes this only if you are taking their complete coverage, including cancellation coverage. If you are also going on the main tour and taking their complete coverage, simply extend the dates to Include Iceland.
- Squaremouth.com is a consolidator of insurance services. You can choose from a number of providers. For the least expensive emergency coverage, choose \$0 for the trip cost. Cancellation insurance is the most expensive portion of the coverage and is not required. As above, the combined value of personal injury/medical expenses/emergency evacuation insurance must be at least \$200,000 total.

These are the least expensive insurers that we found:

For US residents/citizens
April Travel Protection
Seven Corners
For Canadians
USA-Assist

However, you might want to do some Web research yourself before deciding.