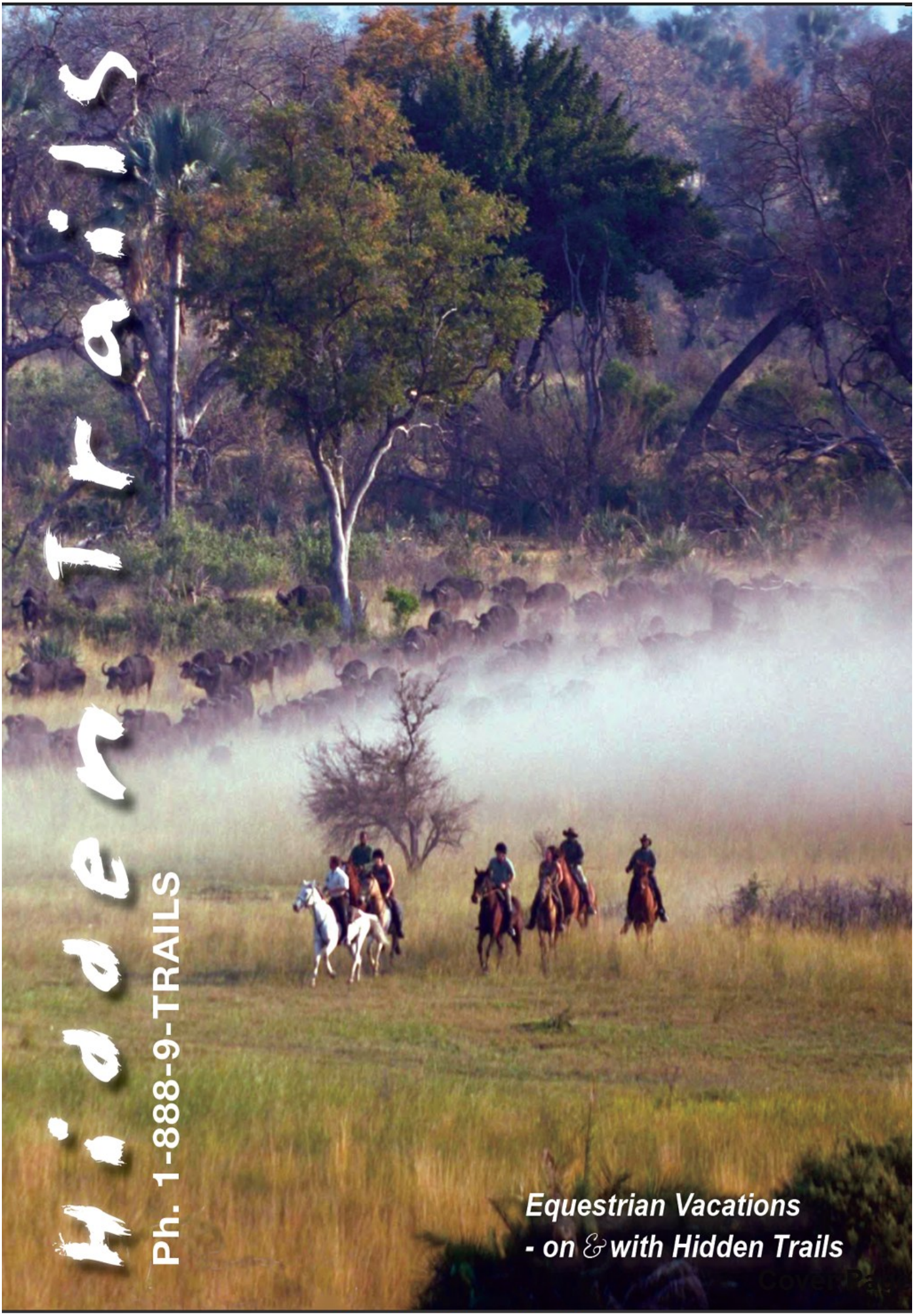

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About Hidden Trails



Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.
With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.
You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.
We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Icelandic Farmlands - Iceland, Europe

Tour Code: IT-ICEIL5
4 days / 3 nights ~$4,415.00
Dates: June-August

Trip Rating :
Difficulty :
Lodging:

Tack: Icelandic tack with saddle bags
Horses: Icelandic Horses
Pace: Riding 15-25 km per day (3-6 hours in ...
Walk,Trot,Canter,

Airport: Keflavik Airport















Introduction

East and South, Iceland
This tour is for those who wants to try different horses each day by riding from various horse farms. A great introduction of riding in Iceland but only for intermediate and experienced riders. This tour also include visit to the most popular sights in Iceland including hot springs, waterfalls, black beach, puffins and visit to different baths.

Driver/guide is a horse person and ride with the group every day so riders will not only get the know different horses but also a local horse person. Great tour for a group of friends too!

Accomodation



Accommodations
This is a stationary ride so all nights will be spent at the same accommodation.

Description
You will stay at a 4-star hotel near Geysir. Within minutes, you can be walking around the geothermal hot spring fields of Haukadalur with its numerous hot springs and the erupting Strokkur Geysir.
This modern family-run hotel has been designed with the aim to reflect nature through the choice of materials blending into its surroundings.
The hotel's rooms are bright and light and all have views of the stunning scenery. Each room is equipped with a TV, a phone, a Tea/Coffee maker and an ensuite bathroom.

Geysir Golf Course (9 hole) is situated right by the hotel.

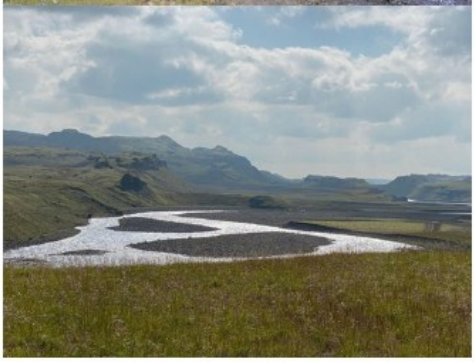
Note that your guide will not be staying at the hotel during the tour.

Room Occupancy
Triple rooms might be available on request (please inquire).
The single supplement fee is mandatory for single travelers.



Meals
During the ride half board is provided with breakfast and lunch.





Dinner is not included on this tour. Riders can choose to dine at the hotel's restaurant or at one of the nearby restaurants accessible by foot from your hotel.

The hotel's restaurant uses products directly from local farmers.

Lunch is usually eaten on the trail and features a variety of dishes including: sandwiches, hot dogs, lobster soup, lamb BBQ...
We also provide coffee and cakes at the end of the day, usually home baked or assorted Icelandic cheese etc.

Dietary Restrictions
It is possible to cater to special diets with advance notice.

Riding

We usually ride with some spare horses as we ride at least 2 horses every day. We mostly ride at a tölt but also walk, trot and canter.

We operate our horse riding tours in Iceland in cooperation with local partners that are horse people through and through.
They breed their own horses and train them themselves. They operate their tours in their home region where they know each and every mountain, creek and canyon.

Riding Gear
Our tack is very similar to the one used by English style riding. But don´t worry if you come from a Western Riding background, we will assist you and you will get used to the tack in no time. We use safety stirrups on all our saddles and will ask you to wear a helmet at all times. You can bring your own helmet (please disinfect your riding gear) or you can borrow one locally.
Our bridles are very practical, they have clip on reins that you can release so that your horse can have some grass while you enjoy your break! We also provide you with a saddle bag, big enough for your picnic, gloves and a small camera.

Riding with the Herd
One of the things that makes riding tours in Iceland completely different from tours in other countries is the fact that we take lots of spare horses along when we travel. The sight of 40 – 80 horses running free over the mountain trails with the wind in their mane is a view you will not forget – we promise! On each tour you can expect to ride different horses every day. That means that we need at least three to four horses per person. The horses we are not riding run along freely in a herd.
Our partners and their staff will take care of the herd and if you want to, you can help them with the herding. But please note that you should always follow the instructions by the staff. We will go over the safety procedures on the first day of the trip. Riding with the herd is a once- in- a -lifetime experience for every rider!

Hand horses and loose herd
In our tours we usually ride with a hand horse (also known as ponying). If you have never ridden with a hand horse before we will teach you how to manage and help you in any way we can.
If your hand horse is bugging your riding horse please let the staff know and they will either take him or have him run along.
Some roads can be narrow and then it is best to have a long rein on the hand horse and make him go behind you, but if you find it difficult just put the reins over his head and let him loose.
We pair our horses together so the riding horse and the hand horse know each other and have no problem being side by side.
The staff usually have more than on hand horse.

Please note: If you are having trouble with your hand horse, try to let the staff know as soon as possible. In all cases it is better to drop the hand horse (he will not go anywhere) if you have any problems. Do not try to hold on the hand horse as you might loose your balance.
We always try to have a loose herd once on every tour, just to get the feeling. But that means we need your help with the herd! Some riders will be in the front, some in the back and then the loose herd in the middle. For those in the front it is very important to never let a loose horse get passed you. And for those in the back do not push on the loose horses. But no worries, we will explain it better on the tour.

Riding Experience
You do not need any prior knowledge of Icelandic Horses or the special gait tölt. We will explain our way of riding and will take time and patience to teach you how to ride the tölt. However, you might get more out of a multi-day trip if you know already a little bit about tölting. This is why we offer a pre-tour for our multi-day tours in cooperation with our partners (inquire for more information). We especially recommend this pre-tour for riders that are used to Western Riding. But as already mentioned above, this pre-tour is just a service to make sure you enjoy the tour even more but it is not a requirement. We will take good care of you either way!

Horse Welfare
Horse Welfare is not just a slogan for us. All of our Team Members own horses and ride on a regular basis. Some of us even breed horses. We love horses - in fact they are everything to us! That is why we carefully pick and choose our partners. We visit them on a regular basis – even without prior notice - to make sure that their horses are kept in good conditions all year round. That is also the reason why you will not find many departures in a row for our tours.
We want to make sure that both horses and the human team behind each tour gets a good rest in between departures so that they can deliver 100% service once you arrive.
During a typical year our horses are kept outside 24/7 during summer on usually rather large fields with access to good grazing and fresh water. If they are close to the stable or a paddock we will keep them there for a few hours during the day when we want to ride them in order to have them nearby and dry. Also in some cases to prevent them from eating 24 hours! Obesity can be a problem in Icelandic Horses. During autumn (usually from Mid September to December) we take their shoes off (all horses in Iceland are ridden with shoes) and they are turned onto big autumn fields where they live nearly „half-wild“ in large herds. During this time they are completely „on vacation“, they are not ridden but we visit them regularly to make sure that every horse is doing well. End of December/beginning of January we take the young and competition horses into the stable for training. Then they are kept in stalls but the Icelandic Law for Horse Welfare states clear regulations regarding stall sizes, daily playtime outside, paddock fencing, food... Older fully trained horses, breeding mares, untrained youngster and horses that are not ridden during wintertime like many of our horses that we use for the tours usually stay outside on winter fields in large herds where they are fed with hay and where sufficient water and wind protection is provided, either natural or man made. From May/June all horses again are on summer fields where they stay outside 24/7 feeding on grass. A few exemptions from these rules are made regarding stallions due to their nature.

Travel Insurance
Individual travel insurance is not included in the tour prices. We urge our guests to purchase relevant travel insurance before visiting Iceland. Guests from Europe should bring their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC).

Itinerary



Sample Itinerary (4 days 3 nights) - *subject to changes*

We reserve the right to alter routes, itineraries or timetables should the necessity arise. The estimated duration of tours as indicated by km can change according to road or weather conditions.

Please note that it is possible to add or remove Riding days to this program (inquire for more information).

Day 1: Þingvellir National Park - Friðheimar Greenhouse Restaurant – Horse Riding
Pick up at 9 am at your hotel in Reykjavík. Please be ready in your riding clothes at pick up. We drive to Þingvellir National Park which is on the Unesco Heritage Site our guide will tell us all about. We also go for a short walk "in between the continents" before enjoying a lovely lunch at renowned Friðheimar Greenhouse Restaurant before visiting their stables where they will inform us about the Icelandic horse breed and display all the gaits. From there is a short transfer to a local horse farm for your first private ride.
After an introduction into the safety issues, tack and gaits of the Icelandic horse we set off for a lovely gentle ride over good tölting tracks through the lush countryside. After the ride we drive to Hotel Geysir where we stay for next 2 nights.
Riding approx. 2 hours
Meals included: Lunch
Overnight at Hotel near Strokkur geyser

Day 2: Geysir hot spring – Gullfoss Waterfall – Forrest Ride - Soak in the Secret lagoon
Since we are staying at hotel Geysir, we can go and admire the hot spring area without the crowd. Perfect f.ex. early morning or in the evening. This morning we start by driving to Gullfoss Waterfall or the Golden Waterfall before the crowd arrives. After spending some time in the area our next stop will be at a horse farm where we go for a private ride into Haukadalur forest and many other beautiful rivers and fields, we offer you to experience a truly nature-oriented ride. Be prepared to cross some rivers and ride deeply into Icelandic nature! This is a 3 hours ride but after the ride there is a short drive to one of the oldest geothermal pool in Iceland or the Secret Lagoon where we ease up our muscles after the ride before driving back to hotel.
Riding approx. 3 hours
Meals included: Breakfast & Lunch
Overnight at Hotel near Strokkur geyser

Day 3: Waterfalls – Glaciers and Black Beach ride
After a heartful breakfast we check out and say goodbye to hotel Geysir. Today we enjoy sightseeing tour along the Southshore, visiting the mighty Skógafoss waterfall, Dyrhólaey bird sanctuary where we might spot some puffins and village of Vík where we enjoy lunch. On our way back we stop at a horse farm and enjoy riding to the black beach. We start at the farm and head south towards the ocean. Along the way, we will cross several rivers and fields before reaching the beautiful Black Beach and the vast Atlantic Ocean. If we are fortunate, we may see a curious seal popping its head up to greet us! We can also enjoy a canter in the soft black sand before making our way back to the farm. After the ride we visit Seljalandsfoss waterfall (without the crowd) and take a walk behind the fall. From there is only a short drive to our hotel where we stay for one night.
Riding approx. 3 hours
Meals included: Breakfast & Lunch
Overnight at Hotel near Strokkur geyser

Day 4: Countryside River Ride – Sky Lagoon
After breakfast we check out and drive to our last farm (but not the least) for a 3 hours ride along the Rangá river banks. This is a beautiful ride that takes you longer next to the beautiful and quiet river Rangá, crossing several times little rivers going into the Rangá river. Riding through green meadows and next to an old lava field. After the ride we drive back to Reykjavik but before checking in at our hotel we enjoy our last bath together and the renowned Sky Lagoon where the sea meet the sky. Tour ends at your hotel in Reykjavik.
Riding approx. 3 hours
Meals included: Breakfast & Lunch

Sample Itinerary (3 days 2 nights) - *subject to changes*

Day 1: Friðheimar Greenhouse Restaurant – Gullfoss Waterfall - Horse Riding - Geysir
Pick up at 9 am at your hotel in Reykjavík. Please be ready in your riding clothes at pick up. Our first stop today will be a Friðheimar stable where we learn everything about the Icelandic horse and enjoy a show of their gaits. From there is a short transfer to a local horse farm for your first private ride. After an introduction into the safety issues, tack and gaits of the Icelandic horse we set off for a lovely gentle ride over good tölting tracks through the lush countryside.
After the ride we take a short drive to Gullfoss waterfall before we go toHotel Geysir where we stay for 1 night. Great opportunity to visit Geysir hot spring area either after dinner or before breakfast.
Riding approx. 3 hours
Meals included: Lunch
Overnight at Hotel near Strokkur geyser

Day 2: Waterfalls – Glaciers and Black Beach ride
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After the ride we visit Seljalandsfoss waterfall (without the crowd) and take a walk behind the fall. From there is only a short drive to our hotel where we stay for one night.
Riding approx. 3 hours
Meals included: Breakfast & Lunch
Overnight at Hotel near Strokkur geyser

Day 3: Countryside River Ride – Sky Lagoon
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Riding approx. 3 hours
Meals included: Breakfast & Lunch

Non Riders
Non-Riding companions are welcome on this tour (please contact us for more information). We are happy to set up an exciting self drive program for non-riders.

Other Info

Airport: Keflavik Airport
Pick-up / drop-off for this trip is from downtown Reykjavík. Transfers can be arranged from/to your accommodation in Reykjavík or at the BSÍ bus terminal.

Tack: Icelandic tack with saddle bags

Horses: Icelandic Horses

Pace: Riding 15-25 km per day (3-6 hours in the saddle)
Walk | Trot | Canter |

Level: (4 out of 5) Strong Intermediate

Age: Min 12

Weight: 240 lbs / 110 kg

Riders: Min 4 riders Max 7 riders
Riding helmets are mandatory for this ride.

Rates and Dates 2027 - IT-ICEIL5

Rates include: Accommodation with half board (breakfast and lunch), Transfers, Visit to Secret Lagoon incl. Towel, Entrance to Samansafn Museum & 4 riding days

Packages and Options

Season	Description	ISK	~US$
A 2027	4 day trip -- rate based on grouo size -- please inquire	ISK0	$0

The US Dollar Rate is based on a ISK Exchange Rate of 0.008 and subject to currency fluctuation

Transfer Option

Description

2027	Transfer from/to downtown Reykjavik is included ats et times

Tour Dates

Season	Tour Dates		
A 2027	06/01/2027 - 08/31/2027	4d / 3n	4 day trip -- rate based on grouo size -- please inquire

Min/Max: 4/7

Rates do not include:Dinners, Travel insurance (mandatory) & Gratuities

Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-ICEIL5

Rates include: Accommodation with half board (breakfast and lunch), Transfers, Visit to Secret Lagoon incl. Towel, Entrance to Samansafn Museum & 4 riding days

Packages and Options

Season	Description	ISK	~US$
A 2026	4 day trip	ISK551600	$4415
	Single supplement	ISK63900	$515
B 2026	3 day trip	ISK399900	$3200
	Single supplement	ISK48500	$390

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Transfer Option

Description

2026	Transfer from/to downtown Reykjavik is included ats et times

Tour Dates

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Rates do not include:Dinners, Travel insurance (mandatory) & Gratuities

Reservation Form

Tour : _____ **Code #:** _____ **from:** _____ **to :** _____

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets	Beginner	Novice	Intermediate	Strong Interm.	Advanced	ride English	ride Western	mostly arena	mostly hacking
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Special Diets: _____

Your fitness level: Excellent ☐ Moderate ☐ Poor ☐ How long have you been riding? _____

How often do you ride? _____ Have you been on other riding tours? No ☐ Yes ☐ last trip when? _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES ◯ NO ◯

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails *Booking Conditions* and the Hidden Trails *Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement* in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.
I (we) will sign and forward the *Recreational Activity Release and* Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) _____

Street _____ ***e-mail*** _____

City _____ ***State*** _____ ***Postal/Zip Code*** _____

Phone (wk) _____ ***(hm)*** _____ ***Cell*** _____ ***Fax*** _____

Date _____ ***Signature (mandatory)*** 1. _____

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum $ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA ◯ ***or Mastercard*** ◯ (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ 3 digit Security # _____

Exp.Date: _____ Signature _____

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than maling address):

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I have enclosed a check for the deposit ◯

Additional Signatures:

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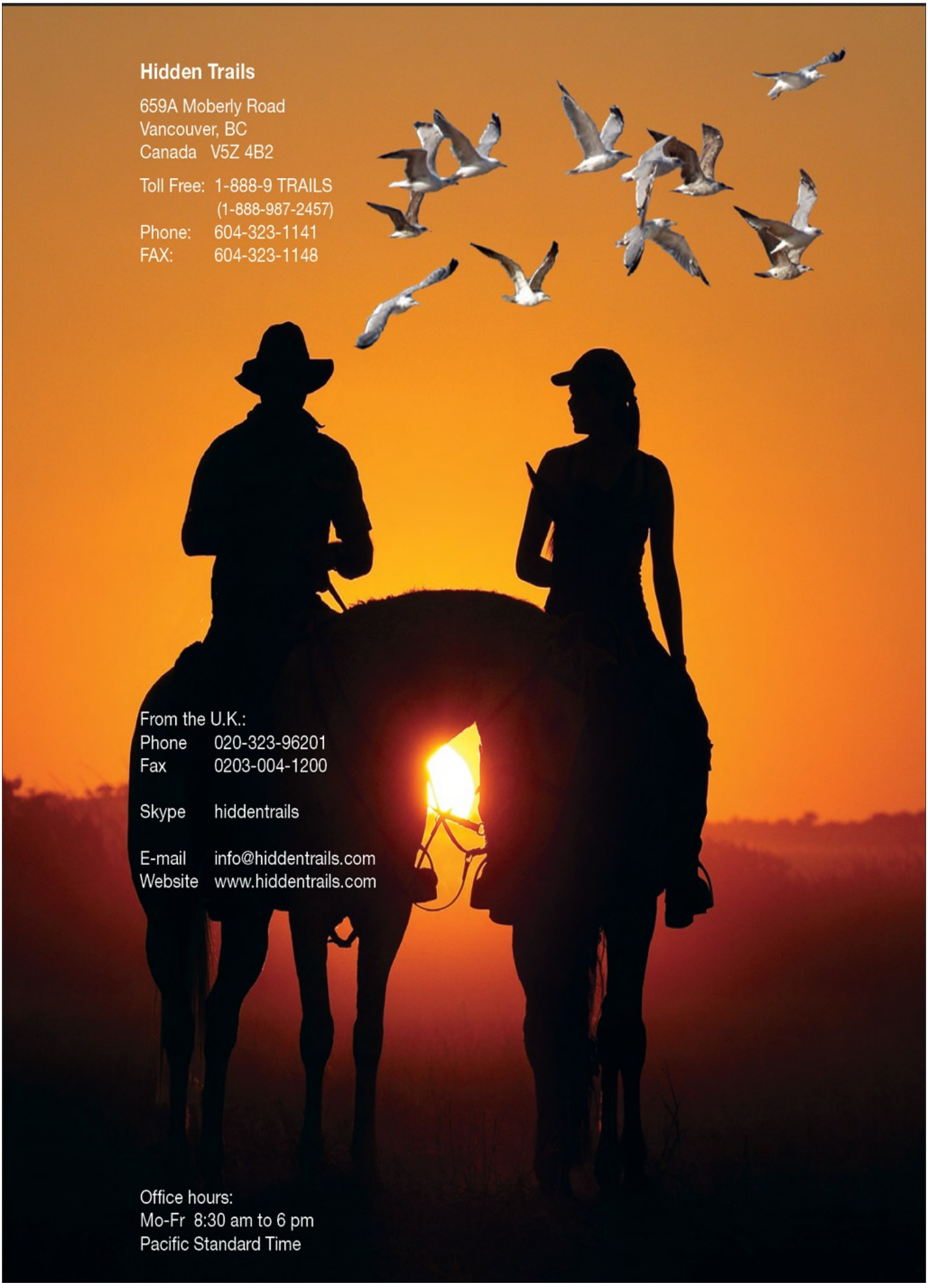
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Travel Cancellation Insurance Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up ◯ initial _____

No, we will provide our own ◯ initial _____

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