THOMAS P. GOHAGAN & COMPANY

CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF ICELAND*

Air Included from Boston, New York-JFK, Newark, Philadelphia, Toronto and Washington-Dulles $^{\pm}$

Five-Star, All-Suite, Small Ship M.V. STAR PRIDE

July 25 to August 2, 2018 From approximately \$6845 USD

ITINERARY*

Reykjavík, Heimaey Island, Seyðisfjörður, Akureyri, Lake Mývatn, Ísafjörður, Vigur Island, Grundarfjörður

Day Destination

- 1 Depart the U.S. or Canada
- 2 Reykjavík, Iceland/Embark M.V. STAR PRIDE
- 3 Cruise along Surtsey Island/Vestmannaeyjar for Heimaey Island
- 4 Day at sea/Seyðisfjörður
- 5 Seyðisfjörður/Arctic Circle
- 6 Akureyri for Lake Mývatn
- 7 Ísafjörður/Vigur Island
- 8 Grundarfjörður
- 9 Reykjavík/Disembark ship/Return to the U.S. or Canada

Activity Level

Active

HIGHLIGHTS

- Unique itinerary circumnavigating Iceland, including an excursion in each port.
- Specially designed showcase of the enchanting "Land of Fire and Ice"—geothermal baths, mud pools, powerful waterfalls, geysers, rugged coastline, pristine glaciers.
- Air included from Boston, New York-JFK, Newark, Philadelphia, Toronto, Washington-Dulles; air add-ons available. †
- Seven-night cruise aboard the Five-Star, all-Suite, small ship M.V. STAR PRIDE, able to cruise into ports, bays and inlets inaccessible to larger vessels.
- Explore the Snæfellsnes Peninsula, famous for the glacier that opens Jules Verne's *Journey to the Center of the Earth*.
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are served throughout the cruise; all meals included aboard ship.
- Cruise near Surtsey, Earth's youngest island and a UNESCO World Heritage site.

^{*}Cruise itinerary subject to change.

- Cross the Arctic Circle.
- Opportunity to view rare migrating birds, orcas and humpback whales.
- Lectures aboard ship on geology; learn from locals about the unique culture in Iceland.
- Reykjavík Pre-Cruise and Greenland Post-Cruise Options.

FIVE-STAR, ALL-SUITE, SMALL SHIP M.V. STAR PRIDE

The Five-Star, all-Suite M.V. STAR PRIDE, renovated and relaunched in 2016, offers intimate cruising at its finest and ranks high among *Travel + Leisure* magazine's "World's Best Cruise Lines." This small ship can dock in ports inaccessible to larger vessels and celebrates traditional "sail aways" on deck.

Ideal for private viewing of passing landscapes and coastal sites are the Classic Suites, each with a private, furnished veranda, and the French Balcony Suites, with a floor-to-ceiling sliding glass door and wooden railing. Ocean-View Suites have one picture window. Each of the Five-Star Suites features one queen bed (most convertible to two twin beds), a private bathroom with shower (most with full bathtub), luxurious European linens and amenities, individual climate control, flat-screen satellite television, Wi-Fi access, safe, minibar, dressing table, hair dryer, plush robes and slippers. Complimentary welcome flowers and fruit are provided in each Suite upon arrival.

The elegant AmphorA dining room accommodates all guests at a single, unassigned seating, and an attentive staff serves fine contemporary international cuisine. Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise. Guests may enjoy indoor or outdoor dining in the Veranda restaurant for breakfast and lunch or reserve a table at Candles for alfresco evening dining. The Yacht Club offers complimentary specialty coffees and light snacks in between meals. Room service is also available 24 hours.

The inviting and spacious public areas are tastefully appointed and include a large lounge, where a program of enriching lectures is held, two bars, a comfortable library, computer center with Internet access, spa, fitness center, boutique, casino and outdoor whirlpool. Each ship has two elevators, and there is a physician on board and a medical facility.

With a ratio of one crew member for every 1.5 guests, the English-speaking, award-winning crew provides personal and attentive service.

INCLUDED FEATURES

• Round-trip air is included from Boston, New York-JFK, Newark, Philadelphia, Toronto and Washington-Dulles. ±

ON BOARD THE FIVE-STAR, ALL-SUITE, SMALL SHIP M.V. STAR PRIDE

- Seven-night cruise featuring the circumnavigation of Iceland round-trip Reykjavík, with port calls at Heimaey Island, Seyðisfjörður, Akureyri for Lake Mývatn, Ísafjörður for Vigur Island, and Grundarfjörður.
- Spacious, Five-Star, ocean-view, all-Suite accommodations, each with a private bathroom and individual climate control.
- Captain's Welcome Reception.
- Private Gohagan & Company Reception.

 $^{^{\}pm}$ Included airfare and air add-ons have limited availability and are not guaranteed.

- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages are available throughout the cruise.
- All gourmet meals—breakfast, lunch and dinner—throughout the cruise, served at single, unassigned seatings.
- House wine is served with dinner.
- City tour of **Reykjavik** featuring the **Pearl** and the **National Museum**.
- Cruise along the coast of **Surtsey Island**, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the youngest island on Earth.
- Visit to **Heimaey Island** for a tour of Eldfell, "Fire Mountain," to see ancient Viking ruins and lava fields.
- Tour of **Seyðisfjörður** featuring the home of Icelandic writer Gunnar Gunnarsson and the medieval church at Valthjófsstaður.
- Crossing of the Arctic Circle (66°33' N).
- Visit to the historic town of **Akureyri**, featuring a visit to the towering Church of Akureyri and the phenomenal Botanical Garden.
- Scenic excursion to legendary Goðafoss Waterfall, beautiful Lake Mývatn, the amazing lava towers of Dimmuborgir, the unique craters at Skútustadir and the otherworldly geothermal field of Námaskarð.
- Tour of the charming fishing town of **Ísafjörður**, featuring the Westfjords Heritage Museum, and **Ósvör**, one of Iceland's oldest fishing stations.
- Visit to idyllic **Vigur Island** to observe the natural habitat of thousands of puffins, Arctic terns and eider ducks.
- Exploration of the **Snæfellsnes Peninsula**, including the quaint fishing village of **Grundarfjörður** and views of the geological wonder of the **Snæfellsjökull glacier**.

ENHANCED TRAVEL SERVICES

- Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- Attractively priced air add-ons are available from Chicago, Minneapolis, Denver, Edmonton, Seattle and Portland, Oregon. [±]
- All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced, English-speaking local guides.
- Gratuities to shipboard personnel, local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- Complimentary bottled water in your Suite and on excursions.
- Hospitality desk aboard the ship.
- The services of an experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Director throughout the program.
- Complimentary use of a state-of-the-art audio headset for each participant during guided excursions.
- Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
- Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

REYKJAVIK & GOLDEN CIRCLE & SAGA TRAILS PRE-CRUISE OPTION

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The captivating city of Reykjavík, along with its surrounding natural wonders, is the perfect introduction to your circumnavigation of Iceland. Visit the famous Blue Lagoon, with time to rejuvenate in its mineral-rich geothermal waters. See the Golden Circle—the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Thingvellir National Park, where settlers founded arguably the world's oldest parliament in A.D. 930; the spectacular, thundering Gullfoss waterfall; and Strokkur, the phenomenal natural fountain geyser. Retrace the footsteps of the Vikings along the ancient Saga Trails through picturesque Borgarfjörður, the setting of many Icelandic legends and myths. Accommodations are for two nights in a four-star hotel.

The Pre-Cruise option is available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.