

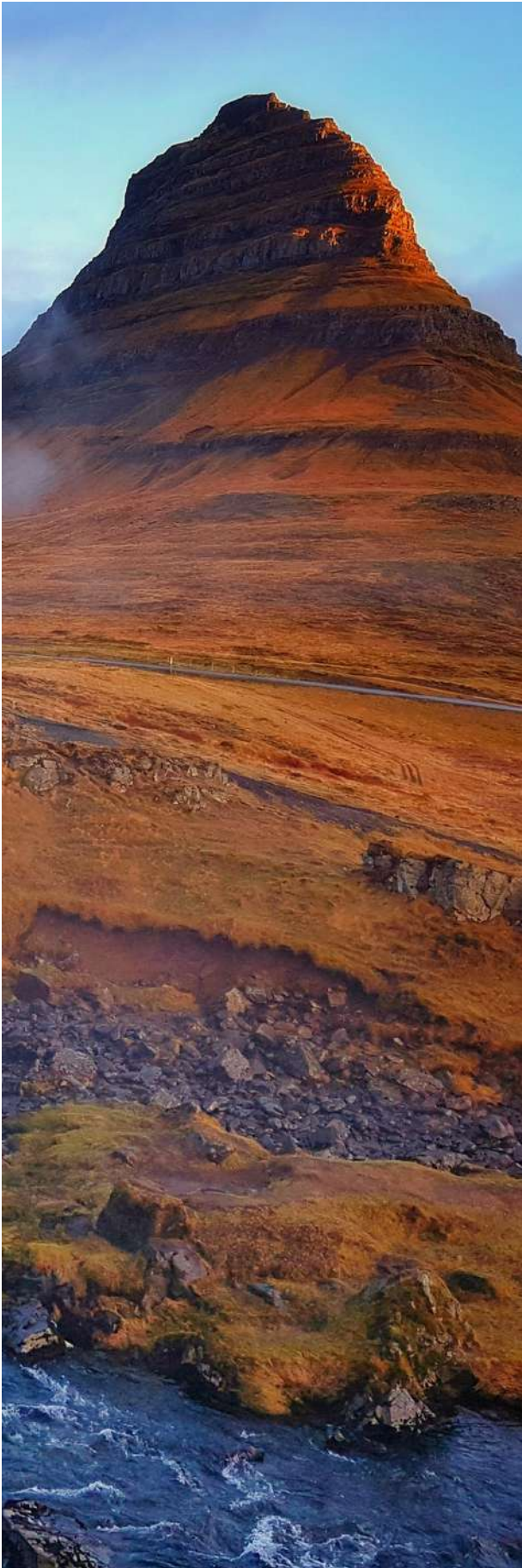
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DAY 1

Visit of Reykjavik: it is the northernmost capital in the world and is a must to understand the culture of this country. Here there is a very high concentration of artists and is characterized by a lively nightlife.

It is a small metropolis, very colorful, full of shops, cafes, bookstores, bars and restaurants.

It takes less than a day to get lost in its streets. The main stops are the Hallgrímskirkja, the cathedral of the city, the Harpa Concert Hall, the old port, the main street Laugavegur, the Sun Voyager sculpture, the Tjornin lake and the parks that surround it.

You will notice a very strong contrast to the wild nature that surrounds it.

DAY 2

Snæfellsnes National Park: here, around the volcanoes, hovers a surreal atmosphere of mystery. In this park, which covers a peninsula area, as well as admiring the landscape, there are several interesting stops to do, such as the Saxholl Crater, a volcano from which to admire the lava fields below, despite it is not so high (about 100 m asl); the pebble and black sand beaches of Djùpaðnssandur and Dritvik; the panoramic walk from Arnarstapi to Hellnar and vice versa, with a stop at the café at the end of the route to taste the skyr cake.

DAY 3

The exploration inside the park continues to discover the black church of Búðir, the beach with seals, lunar landscapes, waterfalls, geothermal pools, ...



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DAY 4

The **Golden Circle** is one of the most touristic areas of the island but it is really worth visiting its main attractions, as well as making some detours to discover the surroundings.

The first stop is the **Thingvellir National Park**, site of the ancient parliament, dating back to 930 AD. and also the zone of the rift between the European and American tectonic plates.

But the main reason we stop here is to **snorkel between two continents** in the Silfra Fault, between Eurasia and North America, one of the best dive sites in the world according to National Geographic. You will swim in the purest water created by the glacier thaw (don't worry, you will wear a dry suit!) admiring various local plant species and marine life.

It is time to see the **eruption of a geyser**, in Stokkur, which every 5/10 minutes erupts a 20/30 meter gush with a temperature that reaches up to 125 ° C.

The **Gulfoss waterfall**, or golden waterfall for the color of its waters, is absolutely worth seeing for the theatricality, beauty and play of light of its double jump.

With a small digression you then reach the **Kerið crater**, a cauldron lake 55 meters deep that dates back to about 6,500 years ago.



DAY 5

After a rather technical route you reach **Landmannalaugar**: here you are immersed in a landscape of multicolored mountains, expanses of lava, geothermal pools, blue lakes ...

From here, if you want, you can take a stretch of the path and venture out for a short trek.

DAY 6

From the hot geothermal pools to the **Jökulsárlón Lagoon**: the excursion on an amphibious vehicle in the ice lagoon will make you discover a landscape of ice crystals of millenary transparency and, with a little luck, some seals and other animals.

The day continues under the banner of ice, with a trek on the Vatnajökull glacier with crampons and ice ax in the company of an expert guide.

DAY 7

The last day is dedicated to **whale watching**: during the summer months, sperm whales, the largest predator in the sea, and Minke whales are regularly sighted.

Many other species have been sighted including fin whales, killer whales and, less often, humpback and blue whales. White-beaked dolphins reside here all year round and can be seen in both summer and winter.

Hoping that the sighting was satisfactory, we just have to pack the bags for the return trip, taking a wonderful memory with you.



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