Circumnavigation of Iceland

aboard the Exclusively Chartered Small Ship

Five-Star Le Bellot

with Council Leader

Jim Falk

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President Emeritus, World Affairs Council of Dallas/Fort Worth

July 24 to August 1, 2022

Round-Trip Air Included from Select Cities

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No land/cruise cancellation fees for new bookings until 96 days prior to trip departure.
Dear Council Traveler,

Resting on the edge of the Arctic Circle, Iceland is a realm of astonishing beauty where nature reigns supreme. Join us for this unforgettable exploration through Iceland’s vast wealth of magnificent scenery and fascinating cultural heritage.

During our specially designed, seven night circumnavigation of this Nordic island nation, experience close encounters with Iceland’s primal landscapes and unique wildlife at the best time of year, when the Midnight Sun of the summer solstice melds into lingering twilight. Cruise aboard the exclusively chartered, Five Star Le Bellot, able to cruise into small ports inaccessible to larger vessels and to alter course as ethereal waterways, rugged fjords and magisterial glaciers unfold before you.

Explore cosmopolitan Reykjavík, the world’s northernmost capital and a vibrant example of Iceland’s egaliitarian society. Visit seldom visited islands and coastal hamlets where the mythic lore and epic sagas of Iceland’s national identity are passed down through generations. Cruise into Siglufjörður, cross the Arctic Circle on Grímsey Island, touch ice fragments calved from Breiðamerkurjökull in UNESCO designated Vatnajökull National Park and marvel at dramatic Goðafoss, the “Waterfall of the Gods.” Look for orcas and humpback whales as you cruise past Surtsey, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Uncover the history of Iceland’s “Pompeii of the North” on fascinating Heimaey Island, where houses hemmed by hardened lava flow from Eldfell volcano are clustered beneath towering cliffs populated by multitudes of puffins, fulmars and guillemots.

With a minimum group size, we expect to take Council travelers to Höfði House in Reykjavík, where historic talks between Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev were held. With the offer of Included Economy Class Air round trip from Boston, New York JFK, Newark, Toronto and Washington Dulles, or Low Air Add Ons for an additional $200 per person from Chicago and Minneapolis, or an additional $300 per person from Denver and Seattle††, this tour is sure to sell out quickly! Do not wait and call today!

Warm Regards,

Shoshana Altrichter, Vice President of Travel

Can’t travel at this time? Ask about the Council’s other cruises with Gohagan & Company to Greece and The Adriatic Sea.

††Included Economy Class Air and Low Air Add-Ons have limited availability and are not guaranteed.

Council Leader

Jim Falk retired in March 2021 as president of the World Affairs Council of Dallas/Fort Worth; he is now its president emeritus. Currently, he is serving as interim Executive Director of the Santa Fe Council on International Relations. Jim’s interest in travel and global affairs grew from his years spent in Tunisia where he attended a French lycée. He is a graduate of Washington and Lee University and earned his MA in Foreign Affairs at the University of Virginia with a focus on international law and Middle East politics. He has been especially eager to visit Iceland, given the dramatic impact of climate change and the country’s important geo-strategic position. He has led numerous WAC-Philadelphia trips including Tunisia, Morocco, and Mediterranean and European river cruises.

The safety and security of our travelers remains our highest priority. Our staff engaged domestically and overseas and aboard cruise ships are committed to adhering to all health and safety protocols from the start of your trip to the end as directed by the United States CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention), overseas local health protocols as mandated by the respective countries/destinations included in your travel program and in addition the health and safety protocols mandated by the cruise company with whom you will be cruising (if applicable). Protocol information tailored specifically to your travel program will be mailed to you along with additional pre-departure information.
Depart the U.S.
Reykjavík, Iceland
Monday, July 25
Arrive in Reykjavík, a UNESCO Creative City of Literature. See the idyllic parks and botanical gardens of Laugardalur, where a geothermal, Olympic-sized outdoor swimming pool speaks to Iceland’s seemingly endless supply of natural hot water. Continue to the impressive National Museum, where over 2,000 artifacts—including the priceless 13th-century Valþjófsstaður church door—provide a comprehensive account of Iceland’s history and culture. Visit Hallgrímskirkja church, whose distinct silhouette rises above Reykjavík’s skyline. Continue to Reykjavík’s old town center, a compact core of narrow streets lined with small, colorful houses, before boarding Le Bellot.

Grundarfjörður/ Snaefellsnes Peninsula
Tuesday, July 26
Peek into Iceland’s heroic past in the village of Grundarfjörður— one of the oldest settlements on the island, nestled into a breathtaking landscape of mountains, volcanoes and sprawling lava fields. This land served as the backdrop for the great literary treasures of Icelandic culture, the sagas. Travel onward to Djúpalónssandur to explore the black-pebbled cove that once housed roughly 70 fishing stations. Marvel at the picturesque rock formations and the four large boulders that were once used to test the strength of local fishermen. Make a comfort stop in Malariff and view the 20-meter lighthouse, built in 1917 and rebuilt in 1947. Pass the volcanic plug of Londrangar on the way to the small fishing community of Arnarstapi. A morning stroll takes you down a stunning pathway cutting through sweeping formations of volcanic rock and coastline cliffs, where a rich variety of seabirds can be spotted. End your tour of the Snaefellsnes Peninsula in Búðir, famed for the dramatic black lava landscape and yellow sand beach. Watch for seals, which may be spotted basking in the bay.

Attend the Captain’s Welcome Reception on board the ship this evening.
Grímsey Island for Arctic Circle
Wednesday, July 27
Clinging to steep mountain walls at the entrance to a gorgeous fjord, charming Siglufjörður is one of Iceland’s most picturesque towns. Multicolored houses lead to a bustling harbor, the hub of the town’s fishing industry. Siglufjörður celebrates the local glory days at the award-winning Herring Era Museum, which recreates the history of fish salting and oil processing during the early 20th century. Enjoy a music-filled performance illustrating sildarsölutn (traditional herring salting process).

Return to the ship and cruise to Grímsey Island, which straddles the top of the world at 66 degrees north. Craggy coastal cliffs and basalt formations host dozens of species of seabirds, including puffins and auks. Walk across the Arctic Circle, where the island is lush with grasses and mosses.
Discover northern Iceland’s extraordinary natural landscapes, stopping at Námaskarð—a geothermal wonder of boiling, sulfurous mudpots—and the pseudocraters at Skútustaðir, formed when hot lava flowed across the wetlands over 2,000 years ago. Walk among the surreal “dark castle” lava formations of Dimmuborgir and drive along the shores of cerulean Lake Mývatn, a birder’s paradise harboring many rare migratory birds and 14 species of Iceland’s wild ducks.

Continue to Goðafoss, “Waterfall of the Gods.” Named, according to legend, when an Icelandic lawspeaker threw wooden statues of Norse gods into its crashing waters to signify his conversion to Christianity.

Seyðisfjörður is a tranquil, 11-mile-long fjord that winds toward its eponymous town, a thriving artist’s community where colorful, chalet-style houses shelter beneath Mount Strandartindur and Mount Bjólfur (Beowulf). Visit the Blue Church and observe a specially arranged cultural and musical performance.

Enjoy a full-day scenic excursion, with lunch, along Iceland’s east coast with stunning mountain views. Board a specially designed small boat for a private cruise amid the luminous blue icebergs of Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon and touch the ice that has calved off the outlet tidewater glacier. These ice sculptures...
Tour Reykjavík and see the church of Hallgrímskirkja, which mirrors natural basalt formations along Iceland’s southern coast.

Cruise by small boat through Jökulsárlón glacier lagoon among 1,000-year-old marbled and crystalline icebergs in UNESCO-designated Vatnajökull National Park.

**AIR is Included**

from Boston, New York-JFK, Newark, Toronto and Washington-Dulles!*†

Low Air Add-Ons are available from select cities.*†

Economy-class, round-trip Reykjavík Included Air is available exclusively through Gohagan & Company. Gohagan & Company and the sponsoring association/organization have no control over availability or air schedule changes.

can spend up to five years floating in the 820-foot-deep lagoon before moving out to sea via Iceland’s shortest river.

**Heimaey, Westman Islands/ Cruise along Surtsey Island**

**Sunday, July 31**

Arrive at Heimaey Island, part of the Westman Islands archipelago, and stop at Sprangan, the craggy cliff where young islanders learn the local pastime of rope swinging. See the ruins of ancient Viking farmhouses dating from A.D. 650 in Herjólfsdalur Valley. Observe Heimaey’s largest puffin colony from the headland of Stórhöfði, and view a timbered stave church in scenic Skansinn. See imposing Eldfell volcano and tour the Eldheimar Museum, which chronicles its eruption of 1973.

This evening, cruise along the coast of Surtsey Island, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Created by volcanic activity between 1963 and 1967, it is one of the most fragile islands on Earth. Scientists continually study the evolution of flora and fauna on this island untouched by humans. Be on the lookout for graceful orcas that frequent the region.

Enjoy the Captain’s Farewell Reception on board this evening.

**Reykjavík/U.S.**

**Monday, August 1**

Following breakfast, disembark and transfer to the airport for your return flight to the U.S.

**Reykjavík and the Golden Circle**

**Pre-Program Option**

The captivating city of Reykjavík and its surrounding natural wonders provide you with the perfect conclusion to Iceland. Tour the legendary Golden Circle—UNESCO World Heritage-designated Pingvallir National Park, the thundering terraced cataract of Gullfoss and Strokkur, possibly the world’s most iconic fountain geyser. Enjoy a full-day excursion to The Reykjanes Peninsula, a UNESCO Global Geopark and natural marvel with an array of lighthouses and the famous Blue Lagoon. Accommodations are for three nights in the deluxe HOTEL BORG.

**Pre-Program and Post-Program Options** are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.
EXCLUSIVELY CHARTERED, FIVE-STAR MV LE BELLOT

Luxury Small Ship, Innovative Design

Le Bellot, launched in 2020, represents a new generation of Five-Star small ships, combining revolutionary design and a new standard of luxury for unparalleled cruising. Dock in smaller ports inaccessible to larger ships, where authentic cultural experiences and majestic scenery await you.

Respect for the Environment

A new addition to the Ponant “Clean Ship” fleet, an important distinction among ocean-cruising vessels, Le Bellot is energy efficient and eco-friendly, protecting fragile marine ecosystems.

Elegant Suites and Staterooms, 100% with Private Balconies

Each of the 92 Five-Star Staterooms and Suites (up to 484 square feet) features a private balcony. Grand Deluxe Suites have a bay window and spacious private terrace. Accommodations offer two twin beds or one queen bed, individual climate control, a private bathroom with shower and luxury hotel-style amenities.

Chic and Casual Dining

Dine indoors or al fresco on international and regional cuisine served in the stylish, spacious indoor-outdoor restaurant, at the casual pool deck grill or from 24-hour room service. Daily meals include continental breakfasts, full lunch, afternoon tea and four-course dinner.

Life on Board

Experience the Blue Eye, the world’s first underwater, multisensory Observation Lounge. Enjoy sweeping views from the upper lounges—which open to the outdoors—and lectures, cultural performances or film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. Relax in the spa, sauna or infinity-style swimming pool. The ship has a beauty salon, a fitness room and three elevators. Complimentary Wi-Fi access is available.

World-Class Service

The highly trained, English-speaking crew is personable and attentive, and the ship has a medical center staffed with a doctor and a nurse.
Included Features

♦ Round-trip, economy-class air is included from Boston, New York-JFK, Newark, Toronto and Washington-Dulles.†

♦ Low Air Add-Ons are available for $200 per person from Chicago and Minneapolis, and for $300 per person from Denver and Seattle.†

On Board the Exclusively Chartered, Five-Star, Small Ship Le Bellot

♦ Seven-night cruise featuring a circumnavigation of Iceland round trip Reykjavík.

♦ Elegantly appointed, Five-Star Suite or Stateroom.

♦ Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.

♦ Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages available throughout the cruise.

♦ All meals aboard ship.

♦ Complimentary Wi-Fi.

♦ City tour of Reykjavík, featuring visits to the lauded National Museum and Hallgrímskirkja church.

♦ Visit to Árnarstapi to observe the natural habitat of Arctic terns, eiders and thousands of puffins and other seabirds along the coastline.

♦ Tour of the charming Snaefellsnes Peninsula, featuring the ancient settlement of Grundarfjörður and Búðir’s yellow sand beach.

♦ Excursion to the dramatically sited town of Siglufjörður, including a visit to the award-winning Herring Era Museum, featuring lively music and a herring salting demonstration.

♦ Cross the Arctic Circle on Grimsey Island.

♦ Scenic excursions in northern Iceland to Goðafoss Waterfall, Lake Mývatn, Dimmuborgir, Skútustaðir and the geothermal field of Námaskarð.

♦ Full-day excursion along Iceland’s east coast from the 16th-century port town of Djúpivogur to the Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon in UNESCO World Heritage-designated Vatnajökull National Park, with a private cruise among Jökulsárlón’s icebergs.

♦ Tour of Heimaey Island, including the Eldheimar Museum, the lava fields of “Fire Mountain” and Herjólfssdalur Valley’s ancient Viking ruins.

♦ Cruise along the coast of Surtsey Island, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Always Included

♦ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).

♦ Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.

♦ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.

♦ Complimentary bottled water in your Suite or Stateroom and on excursions.

♦ Hospitality desk aboard the ship.

♦ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors at your service.

♦ Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.

♦ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

†† Included Air and Low Air Add-Ons have limited availability and are not guaranteed.
A land of unparalleled geological riches, Iceland is home to 4,500 square miles of glaciers, 30 active volcanic systems, 800 hot springs and over 10,000 waterfalls. Born of the monumental forces unleashed during the movement of the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates and carved out by formidable glaciers and incredible waterfalls, the land is a combination of intense natural energy and veritable calm. The topography of Iceland continues to evolve, yet many of its landscapes remain nearly unchanged since the first Viking settlers laid eyes on them more than 1,100 years ago.

During your circumnavigation, see volcanic craters and fissures, watch as bubbling hot springs erupt steam into the air against a backdrop of Mars-like terrain, encounter pristine waterfalls and black lava deserts and witness the stoic majesty of mountains capped with snow and volcanoes slumbering beneath sheets of ice. Along the coast, Iceland’s characteristic fjords chronicle the powerful path of the glaciers. Enjoy these natural wonders, in constant flux as glaciers calve and shift and new mountains emerge from volcanic lava flow. A startlingly beautiful portrait of Earth’s history and progress, Iceland is a primordial landscape hewn by the forces of fire and ice.
BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE! No land/cruise cancellation fees for new bookings until 96 days prior to trip departure.

MV LE BELLOT

LAND/CRUISE TARIFF excluding taxes*

Per person, based on double occupancy

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Single supplements apply across all categories at 160% of the per person double price.*

**Taxes are an additional $445 per person and are subject to change.

LE BELLOT has been specially contracted for this program, and the applicable deck plan is available on request from Gohagan & Company and reflects the only valid cabin categorization of the vessel.

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2nd Choice

Double occupancy (two twin beds).

Double occupancy (one queen bed).

Single accommodations.

Single but prefer to share and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

Reykjavík and the Golden Circle Pre-Program Option

Double at $1595 per person.

Single at $1195 per person.

I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

Please make my/our air arrangements** (choose one and fill in departure city):

Low Air Add-Ons are available for $200 per person from Chicago and Minneapolis, and $300 per person from Denver and Seattle.

**Taxes are an additional $445 per person and are subject to change.

Please contact me/us regarding an upgrade at additional cost to be advised.

*Note: Included Air, Low Air Add-Ons and/or fare are subject to change. See Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.

I/We will make my/our own air arrangements.

FINAL PAYMENT: due April 20, 2022; make by check, ACH, wire transfer or credit card. No land/cruise cancellation fees until 96 days prior to July 24, 2022!
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Further, I release Gohagan from any negligence or willful or nonwillful acts of any kind.

If due to weather, flight schedule(s) or any uncontrollable factor, you are required to spend an additional night in London (or any other) city due to flight schedule(s); any overnight on land due to flight schedule(s); meals, alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages and all other services not specifically mentioned as included in the travel program; special guest tours and feature guest series (if applicable), are subject to change or cancellation.

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Any arbitration commenced against Gohagan must be on behalf of only the signatory to this Agreement and his or her immediate family members who traveled with signatory, such as a spouse or child. Any and all arbitrations must be arbitrated by the same arbitrator. Any and all arbitrations relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or unenforceable. Please understand that by agreeing to these terms and conditions, the participant and Gohagan are waiving the right to a trial by jury.

Any arbitration commenced against Gohagan must be on behalf of only the signatory to this Agreement and his or her immediate family members who traveled with signatory, such as a spouse or child. Under no circumstances can participant be part of a class or other joint action.

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT: By forwarding of deposit, the participant certifies that he/she does not have any mental, physical or other condition of disability that would create a hazard for him/her or other participants and accepts the terms contained in this Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement for this program or for any program to which he/she may transfer.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS BY: Gohagan & Company

PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY: All programs require physical independence and mobility. Any physical or mental condition that may require special medical attention or physical assistance (for example, being in a wheelchair) must be reported in writing when you make your reservation. Participants must be able to embark and disembark motorcoaches alone or with minimal assistance from your traveling companion and climb stairs and step over raised thresholds without assistance. Participants requiring assistance must travel with a companion who is available to provide for handling equipment.

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