5 days – autumn ride

Every autumn the free grazing sheep and horses are rounded up in the highland, collected from the farmers and driven to their local valleys.

Iceland in autumn has many colors and types of weather. Anticipate to be in golden sunshine one moment and to ride in rain and even sleet during the next. Of course that means long hours outside in sometimes cold weather.

We therefore recommend to dress well during these tours, to bring long woolen underwear and lots of woolen socks and gloves. It is also



good to bring some ,,quick energy supplier" like chocolate. A warm rider is a happy rider!

From Bjargshóll Farm in the North we follow good riding tracks. Ride along green valleys, deep blue lakes. All the time we stay at Dæli Farm in Víðidalur. <u>http://daeli.is/</u>

1. Day: Arrival at Keflavik – Overnight stay in Bed and Breakfast Keflavík Airport

After individual arrival there is the possibility to stay overnight in Bed and Breakfast in Keflavik. The costs for the overnighstay are included in the travel award. A free Shuttlebus from the airport is also available.

2. Day: Keflavik – Bjargshóll – Dæli

We will meet for breakfast in the BB in Keflavik and begin our journey to our first destination from there. It is (approx. 3.5 hours) trip to the farm Bjargsholl in the Northwest of Iceland. On the way we have a soup. After that we will have a ride to get acquainted with the horses (approx. 3-4 hours in the saddle). Then we drive to Dæli Holiday Farm, where we will stay overnight. (approx. 28 km) This farm is beautifully located in Víðidalur Valley and we will enjoy the hospitality of Kiddi and Hallfríður, Víglundur and Sigrún, who have been working with us for many years.

The outdoor hot tubs are waiting, as well as a hearty dinner.

3. Day: Bjargshóll – Gauksmýri – Dæli

Our ride takes us alongside the river Miðfjarðará to the ocean and from there underneath Vatnsnesfjall Mountain to the Riding Farm **Gauksmýri** where we leave the horses and drive to Dæli.

4. Day: Gauksmýri - Daeli

This long and exciting riding day takes us into the friendly countryside of Vestur-Hóp, past a lake and into the beautiful valley Víðidalur. We follow Víðidalsá River to Dæli (approx. 35 km).

5. Day: Schaf- und Pferdeabtrieb – Miðfjarðarrétt

Join the farmers in this great autumn adventure – we take part in the traditional farmer's work in the corral – sorting the sheep. In the morning we take part in the work with the horses and then the sheep.

Saturday – (Optional (not included in the tour price):

"Réttardansleikur" dance at Ásbyrgi, where everybody relaxes after the excitement of the day and celebrates yet another successful round up.

6. Day: Dæli - Bjargshóll

The last day we ride to Bjargshóll Farm and return our horses to their meadows (approx. 25 km), before driving back to Reykjavík.

Transfer to Reykjavík

After the ride - transfer to Reykjavík /Keflavík. On the way we will have dinner with the elves. Arrival around 9 pm.

Max. 14 persons

ATTENTION

• Individual travel insurance is not included in the tour price.

We encourage clients to obtain relevant travel insurance before visiting Iceland.

• Flight to and from Iceland is not included.