

WALKING ON THE FABLED SAGA ISLANDS

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TOUR 1 The Faroe Islands is a paradise for nature lovers and perfect for walking without a guide. Experience up close the birdlife, the green nuances of the mountains, the colourful villages, beautiful deep fjords and the nearby islands that rise majestically on the horizon.

DAY 1: Arrive with Atlantic Airways to Vágur Airport. Collect your hire car and drive to the village of Miðvágur where the old path Ovaragøta leads out to Trælanípan. Sit and enjoy the atmosphere of the waves and the bird-song all around. The path follows the shoreline of the largest lake, Leitisvatn. See the waterfall Bøsdalafossur and the free-standing cliff called Geituskoradrangur. For more information contact the tourist office in Miðvágur before you start the walk. Overnight accommodation on Eysturoy.

DAY 2: From the village of Fuglafjørður you can follow the path called Sjúrdargøta towards Hellur. On top of Skarðið (path) there are two large cairns. The custom is to throw three small stones onto the cairns every time you pass by. From here you have a fantastic view across to the Northern Islands. For more information contact the tourist office in Fuglafjørður. Overnight accommodation on Eysturoy.

DAY 3: Visit the picturesque village of Saksun. The bay was once a protected natural harbour, but today the entry to the bay has silted over. At low tide, you can walk on the sand out to the open sea. Visit Dúvugarðar, a beautiful example of a typical Faroese farm with a grass roof. Take the ferry Smyril to Suðuroy. On the 2 hour trip you pass the islands of Sandoy, Stóra Dímun and Líttla Dímun. Overnight accommodation on Suðuroy.

DAY 4: Take the mountain road to Sumba then walk a few hundred metres west to reach the edge of the cliff and a spectacular panoramic view of the Beinisvørð headland to your left. Don't miss the lighthouse at Akraberg. In Vágur, you can visit the unique Ruth Smith gallery and a shop called Sirri, which designs garments made from Faroese wool. Overnight accommodation in Suðuroy.

DAY 5: Drive to the village of Sandvík where one of the Faroe Islands most famous chiefs, Sigmundur Brestisson,

was murdered on the beach having swum from Skúvoy in an attempt to escape from Tróndur í Gøtu. A short walk called Á Røðina immediately after the tunnel from Hvalba, will take you to the dramatic western side of the island which is definitely worth a visit. Overnight accommodation on Suðuroy.

DAY 6: Visit the tourist office for information and a walking map. Suðuroy has many good walks, e.g. to the top of Rávan or to the award-winning Hvannahagi headland. In the afternoon, return by ferry to Tórshavn. See the exhibition by Faroese artists on board. Overnight accommodation in Tórshavn.

DAY 7: Take a guided walk through the historic parts of Tórshavn called Tinganes and á Reyni. We recommend a walk over the mountain to Kirkjubøur. Visit Roystovan which is approximately 900 years old and see the ruins of the St. Magnus Cathedral and St Ólav's church, dating from 1111. Overnight accommodation in Tórshavn.

DAY 8: Deliver the hire car in time for your departure with Atlantic Airways.

ITINERARY: Independent tour with car 8 days/7 nights

START DAY: Any day of the week

TOUR 1 + COMBINATION 1

7 nights hotel accommodation	
Price per person in a double room	DKK 9985 / € 1349
Price per person in a single room	DKK 14210 / € 1920
Price per child 2-11 years	DKK 4185 / € 566

TOUR 1 + COMBINATION 2

7 nights B&B/Guest house accommodation	
Price per person in a double room	DKK 8505 / € 1149
Price per person in a single room	DKK 11675 / € 1578
Price per child 2-11 years	DKK 3930 / € 531

THE PRICE INCLUDES: Return flight with Atlantic Airways to the Faroe Islands and taxes. Car hire group B including unlimited km, CDW and VAT. Accommodation as per chosen combination with breakfast, return ferry to Suðuroy, guided tour of Tórshavn.

PLEASE NOTE: All B&B's and guesthouses have shared facilities. Changes to the itinerary and accommodation can occur. Suggested walks are from 5-9 km in length and easy to moderate difficulty. Always visit the local tourist office for more information and maps before you start a walk. Bring warm, practical clothing. Optional extra excursions. Season: 15 May to 1 September. Book tour by writing to: info@greengate.fo State tour and combination number required.