

HORSE ROUND UP



What is the horse round up actually about? The horse round up takes place every year traditionally at the last weekend of september. Laufskálarétt is one of the most famous horse round ups in Iceland and every year many foreigners and Icelanders take part in it, to do not miss this spectacle. The horses, mostly mares, foals and young horses, live during the summer time free in the mountains and will be caught before the winter begins. At the Laufskálarétt the owners of the horses take care that the horses are running to the pen and everyone is invited to enjoy the atmosphere or take part at the ride. In the pen the horses will be seperated and afterwards the owners will get their horses home. This is an unforgettable experience which is not possible to be seen somewhere else.



Day 1

We meet at Helluland in the afternoon or we will pick you up in Sauðárkrókur/Varmahlíð. After we had coffe and cake together we will show you our farm and we will start for our first riding tour. During the riding tour you can get to know the horses and we will teach you the icelandic way of riding. In the evening we are going to eat together.

Day 2

After breakfast we will saddle our horses again and ride for a 2hour ride to the black beach of Sauðárkrókur. After lunch at home we will go to the Grettislaug which is a natural hot pot. In the evening we will have dinner together.

Day 3

After breakfast we will start our first ride in the direction of the horse round up (in case of bad weather we would ride around our farm or make other plans). We will ride with handhorses which is a typical icelandic style for riding. Our horses will stay at an other farm this night and after lunch we will go and have a look at Glaumbær and old turfhouse. On the way back we could stop over in Sauðárkrókur and then we have dinner at home.

Day 4

After breakfast we will ride over nice ways for tölt one step closer to the horse round up again (in case of bad weather we will think carefull what we could do). After this great ride we will have lunch and then go to the nice swimming pool in Hofsó. There we will enjoy and afterwards we will go home and have a dinner together.



Day 5

If we had good weather the last days we will start one beautiful riding tour more through really nice landscape and end at the Lausskálarétt, where the horse round up will start the next day for us. After the ride we will drive to Hólar and visit the famous horse university and have a look for the nice church and the Landsmót area from 2016. Back home we will go to the riding hall and have a look at the horse show after dinner.

Day 6

Today we will start approximately at 10 am from Laufskálarétt and chase the horses with their owners and other visitors to the pen, where we will have a look at the spectacle of separating the horses. After we had coffee and cake at the pen everyone has the opportunity to go to the ball in the riding hall this evening after dinner. (The price of the ball is not inclusive and the driving home to our farm ca. 7km need to be organised by yourself for example with a taxi).

Day 7

We will drive you to Sauðárkrókur or Varmahlíð after we had breakfast.

All inclusive 1520€ , beside the trip to and from the south to Sauðárkrókur and the party

The participants of this riding tour should have some experiences in riding and feel safe in all gaits.

For more information or booking please contact us by mail info@icelandhorsetours.com or give us a call (00354) 8478577. We are looking forward to welcome you!

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PS: In case of bad weather we reserve our rights to change the riding tour. In doing so we will take care to act in terms of our participants and animals.

