Scotland to Iceland 2027 - Cruise Only

Glasgow to Reykjavik

10 nights on board	Departure dates	Starting from (AUD)
11 Days	**See Schedule**	**A$14,210**
PKG No. UC144		per person twin share

Solo Travel Option

Single Pricing Starts From (AUD)

Contact Agent

per person twin share

Special Offers

Ponant

Europe

Overview

From Celtic shores to the volcanic boundaries of Iceland, this journey follows in the footsteps of a wild and magnetic North. Sail from Scotland to Iceland with Ponant on an 10 night voyage discovering the wild lands of Scotland, the Faroe Islands and Iceland. Free Solo Supplement, Back-to-back offer and save up to 25%!

From Glasgow to Reykjavik, PONANT brings you a 11-day cruise aboard *Le Bellot* or *l'Austral* to explore the most beautiful landscapes of Ireland, Scotland, the Faroe Islands and the coast of Iceland.

Throughout your journey, you will benefit from an excursion included per person per port of call, to choose from a selection offered by PONANT. During this cruise, climb the Eldfell volcano on the island of Heimaey, observe the spectacular Langjokull glacier, or discover the three sites along the Golden Circle from Reykjavik. The diversity of experiences on offer promises you intense and varied moments.

From Glasgow, Scotland's welcoming cultural capital with a rich artistic and architectural heritage, *Le Bellot* will sail towards Belfast, where you will be able to visit the Giant's Causeway. This massive geological formation is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and features over 40,000 basalt columns.

You will then set a course for the southwest Highlands to reach Fort William. This harbour town on the shores of Loch Linnhe is steeped in Scottish history and tradition, close to the beautiful and spectacular scenery of Glencoe.

In the Hebrides, you will call at Stornoway, the main town on the island, built by the Vikings in the 9th century. One of the most important prehistoric sites in Scotland can be found here: the Calanais Standing Stones.

Your ship will then sail north towards the Faroe Islands, Denmark's northernmost autonomous territory. In this isolated archipelago, you will immerse yourself in a wild and spectacular natural environment. In Suduroy, the rolling plains populated by sheep shape the scenery punctuated by sheer summits, mountain lakes and jagged cliffs looking out to the islands, offering outstanding terrestrial and maritime panoramas. In Streymoy, you will enjoy sailing around cliffs home to bird colonies. Here, the Viking legends and the Nordic cosmogony are never far away.

On the edge of the Arctic, with its vertiginous fjords, volcanoes and waterfalls, Iceland offers up a simultaneously romantic and wild face. In the East Fjords region, where life is organised around fishing, you will discover a jagged coastline and alpine landscapes before reaching Heimaey. This is the only inhabited island in the Westman archipelago. An exceptional place composed of volcanoes and almost-desert landscapes, it is also a refuge for many colonies of birds, including gannets.

Finally, you will arrive in Reykjavik, the world's northernmost capital, your disembarkation port.

The itinerary may be modified depending on weather conditions, port authorizations, and applicable government regulations. The excursion program will be finalized closer to your cruise departure.

Special Offers

Complimentary Airport Transfers - Book your international airfares and pre/post accommodation with Ultimate Cruising and we'll include complimentary chauffeur-driven luxury car transfers from your home to the airport and return (within 35km). See our **Scotland to Iceland - Cruise Plus** package here.

Free Solo Supplement - Travelling solo? Free solo supplement applies on selected departures in selected cabin grades. Please ask us for details. This offer is strictly subject to availability and may be withdrawn at any time without notice.

Travelled with Ponant before? You may be eligible for further discounts with Ponant. Please ask us for details.

Back-to-back Offer - Combine this cruise with a second cruise and save! Ask us for details.

The Ultimate Scotland and Iceland Voyage - Love this package but want to see more of Iceland? Check out our Ultimate Scotland and Iceland package here for a beautiful curated package including a second cruise in Iceland!

Vessel

Innovative design, sleek shape and profile, refined interior decoration, friendly, intimate atmosphere: French designers and decorators have managed to give this ship a unique style and veritable signature of its own. Combinations of fine materials, colours and tones harmoniously livened up with touches of bright colour, elegant lines, discreet and subtle refinement… everything has been designed to create a unique atmosphere onboard, a veritable personality: the chic style and naturally relaxing ambiance of a veritable private yacht.

Features:

- All meals on board
- the Open Bar: beginning with boarding, and during the duration of the cruise, a wide selection of drinks (mineral water, soft drinks, wine, beer, Charles Heidsieck champagne, spirits, coffee, tea) is served on request and at any time of the day. Certain premium alcoholic beverages on the menu are not included in the Open Bar,
- free Wi-Fi internet access 24 hours a day*,
- activities and excursions offered during expedition cruises as specified in the itinerary
- Spa and Wellness Centre
- Swimming pool
- Guest Lecturer
- Fitness Room

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Tonnage 10,944
Build date 2011
Crew 145
Capacity 264
Length 142m

Itinerary

Day 1 Glasgow, Scotland

In the heart of the Clyde Valley, the bustling city of Glasgow contrasts starkly with the wild beauty of the surrounding countryside. Scotland's biggest city overflows with landmarks from its extensive artistic heritage and outstanding architectural tradition. The city's chequerboard layout makes walking through the major pedestrian thoroughfares easy: go with the flow and let the lively street atmosphere take you past the many Victorian monuments. Don't miss the collections on display in the numerous museums and art galleries. The Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum is an outstanding example.

Day 2 Belfast, Northern Ireland

The capital city of Northern Ireland is located on the very tip of Belfast Lough, in the north-east of the Emerald Isle. Along the waterfront, the building shaped like a fragmented liner is non other than the Titanic Belfast, a homage to the famous transatlantic liner, with full-scale reconstructions making for an insightful experience of the Belle Epoque. In the historical centre, you'll also travel back in time when you see the majestic Edwardian columns of the City Hall, and the imposing neo-gothic towers of Queen's University for example. The carved wooden façades of the Victorian pubs will certainly entice you in for a pint of beer or chilled cider.

Day 3 Sailing on Loch Linnhe/Fort William, Scotland

Loch Linnhe is located in the Scottish Highlands, stretching between the Isle of Mull and Fort William. Sail in the heart of picturesque landscapes and admire the formations of the magnificent mountains and valleys surrounding the loch, including the famous Ben Nevis. The pure waters of Loch Linnhe are teeming with marine life; harbour seals may be found among its faithful inhabitants. A port town on the eastern shore of Loch Linnhe, Fort William is sometimes described as the "Outdoor Capital of the UK." Because it sits at the base of Ben Nevis, the highest peak in the British Isles, and is in close proximity to the dramatic landscape of Glencoe, it is a popular destination for hikers and rock climbers. For those looking for a less adventurous experience, the nearby Ben Nevis Distillery offers tours and tastings, and Old Fort and Old Inverlochy Castle are interesting historical sites.

Day 4 Stornoway, Hebrides, Scotland

Discover Lewis, the largest island of the Hebrides, considered to be the cradle of Gaelic

culture. Here, the peat- and heather- covered valleys and lochs stretch on to infinity, and numerous bird colonies have taken up residence in the long, jagged coastlines where. Not far from Stornoway, the island's main town, built by the Vikings in the 9th century stands one of Scotland's most prominent prehistoric sites: The Standing Stones of Callanish. Dating back to more than 3,000 years B.C., these imposing stones placed in a cruciform pattern were laid out according to the moon and stars and their main purpose was to keep track of seasonal cycles, as this was essential for farmers at the time.

Day 5 Suduroy Island, Faroe Islands

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Day 7 Streymoy Island, Faroe Islands

Streymoy Island is the largest and most populated of the Faroe Islands, with 22,500 inhabitants. Lying between Scotland and Iceland, the 18-island Danish archipelago boasts natural wonders that will fascinate lovers of the great outdoors. Here, the hilly green landscapes stand in contrast with the huge basalt cliffs and the invigorating air shifts with the moods of the ocean. To the north, the small village of Saksun, with its traditional grass-covered rooftops, has 14 inhabitants. In the curve of a magnificent natural amphitheatre, it overlooks a fjord with a lagoon: an idyllic setting in a secluded and peaceful environment. To the west, in Vestmanna, myriad birds nest in the crags along the eroded and vertiginous cliff faces.

Day 8 Djupivogur, Iceland

Djúpivogur is a small town and municipality located on a peninsula in the Austurland in eastern Iceland. The coastline consists of three magnificent fjords, Berufjörður, Hamarsfjörður, and Álftafjörður which create a striking landscape to explore. On land, the town is shadowed by Búlandstindur, a pyramid-shaped basalt mountain peaking at 1069 m, making for an incredible sight. Numerous local legends surround this mountain, which is said to grant wishes during the summer solstice.

Day 9 Sailing in the Vestmannaeyjar/Heimaey, Vestmannaeyjar

The Westman Islands were formed from a succession of underwater eruptions and consist of 15 islands and around 30 islets. As you will discover, Heimaey has a rich history and captivating landscapes. Dominated by the Eldfjall, it's the only island in the chain that is inhabited. This exceptional site has a very pronounced relief taking in vertiginous cliffs, reefs, sea caves, and surf. Raise your eyes and you will be able to admire the spectacular dives of the Gannets. This land seated off the southern coast of Iceland is the largest of the Vestmann islands, and is the only inhabited island in the archipelago. The steep Edfell volcanoes and the green prairies of Herjólfsdalur offer rich contrast of nature. On the Stórhöfði road, look out over grey sand beaches and cliffs carved out by the Arctic ocean. From here, you can also see the bronze landscapes of the mountaintops. You could visit Eldheimar, an ultra-modern and interactive museum which traces the volcanic eruption has experienced Heimaey in 1973.

Day 10 Reykjavik, Iceland

Iceland's capital stretches along the edge of a vast bay in the west of the country. Perlan, the "Pearl of Reykjavík", a museum located on 'Oskjuhlið hill, offers a panoramic view of the lush, green landscapes. A little further, one can easily spot the signpost showing the way to the evangelical Hallgrímskirkja church, and to the historical centre where one can stroll along the Skólavördustígur and the Laugavegur, two lively streets with charming small shops. For some relaxation just outside of the city, visitors have the opportunity to visit the Reykjanes peninsula and its famous thermal lagoons of the Blue Lagoon.

Day 11 Reykjavik, Iceland

Disembark your ship this morning. Onward travel is own arrangements.

Special Inclusion

- 10 night cruise from Glasgow to Reykjavik
- Full board from arrival to departure day
- High-end gastronomy in all restaurants
- All beverages in restaurants, bars, and minibars. All drinks are included (a selection of champagnes, wines and spirits, beers, cocktails, water, soft drinks, hot beverages). *Excluding premium à la carte beverages.*
- 24-hour room service
- Butler service for selected suites - please ask for details
- Unlimited internet access onboard
- Evening events, shows, and other entertainment

- Access to the fitness area and hammam or sauna, depending on the ship
- All port and security charges
- One included excursion* per person, per day, and per port, led by local guides (monument visits, local product tastings, etc.)
- Lectures by our naturalist guides or destination experts
- National park and protected area fees
- Accompaniment by a team of naturalist guides only on Expedition and Discovery cruises; on land or, depending on the destination, during Zodiac outings and/or landings

**Included excursions must be chosen from a selection; requests are processed in the order received and subject to availability. Pre-booking for included excursions opens approximately two months prior to cruise departure.*

Special Information

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Please contact us for the latest information on entry and visa requirements.

INOCULATIONS
At time of publishing, vaccinations were not required. Please enquire about the latest requirements.

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Rates are per adult, in double or single occupancy as specified. These fares are correct at the time of printing and are subject to change; with or without notice.

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