

Arctic Adventures

ICELAND

Celebrate New Year in the slightly manic style peculiar to Icelanders. Start the evening with our 'Buffet on Ice'; blow out the Old Year on our bonfire tour; bring in the New with champagne and fireworks and then dance till you drop. Recuperate and then, over the weekend, snowmobile across a glacier, search for the Northern Lights or chill out in the Blue Lagoon.

Reykjavik is an unlikely city to warrant the description "as hip and happening as it is possible to be".



The shops are stylish and according to A.A. Gill, the women "the most groin-throbbingly beautiful in the world".

And the locals have developed a legendary and prodigious reputation for being able to enjoy themselves.

This ultra-modernity and party town atmosphere dramatically contrasts with the island interior with its geologically sculpted scenery; glacial ice fields, sand deserts, lava fields, volcanoes, waterfalls and geysers. All of which you can see either by horseback, Super Jeep, snowmobile or, for the fainthearted, from the comfort of a reclining coach seat.

GET AWAY EARLY

We have a limited number of departures on the 27th staying at the Hotel Rangá for 2 nights. See website for details. Supplement £125 pp.

GRAND HOTEL REYKJAVIK



Recently extended and renovated, the Grand is the perfect union between quiet surroundings and proximity to the city centre (about a 20-minute walk), especially for 30 somethings. All 209 rooms in the new tower block (where our room allocation is), are particularly spacious with either twin, queen or king sized beds and private WC/bath tub/shower with heated tile floors, radio, telephone, satellite TV, hair dryer and mini-bar.

- Quiet convenient location • A la carte restaurant • Bar • 24hr room service • Spa
- Non smoking rooms

Prices in £ per person

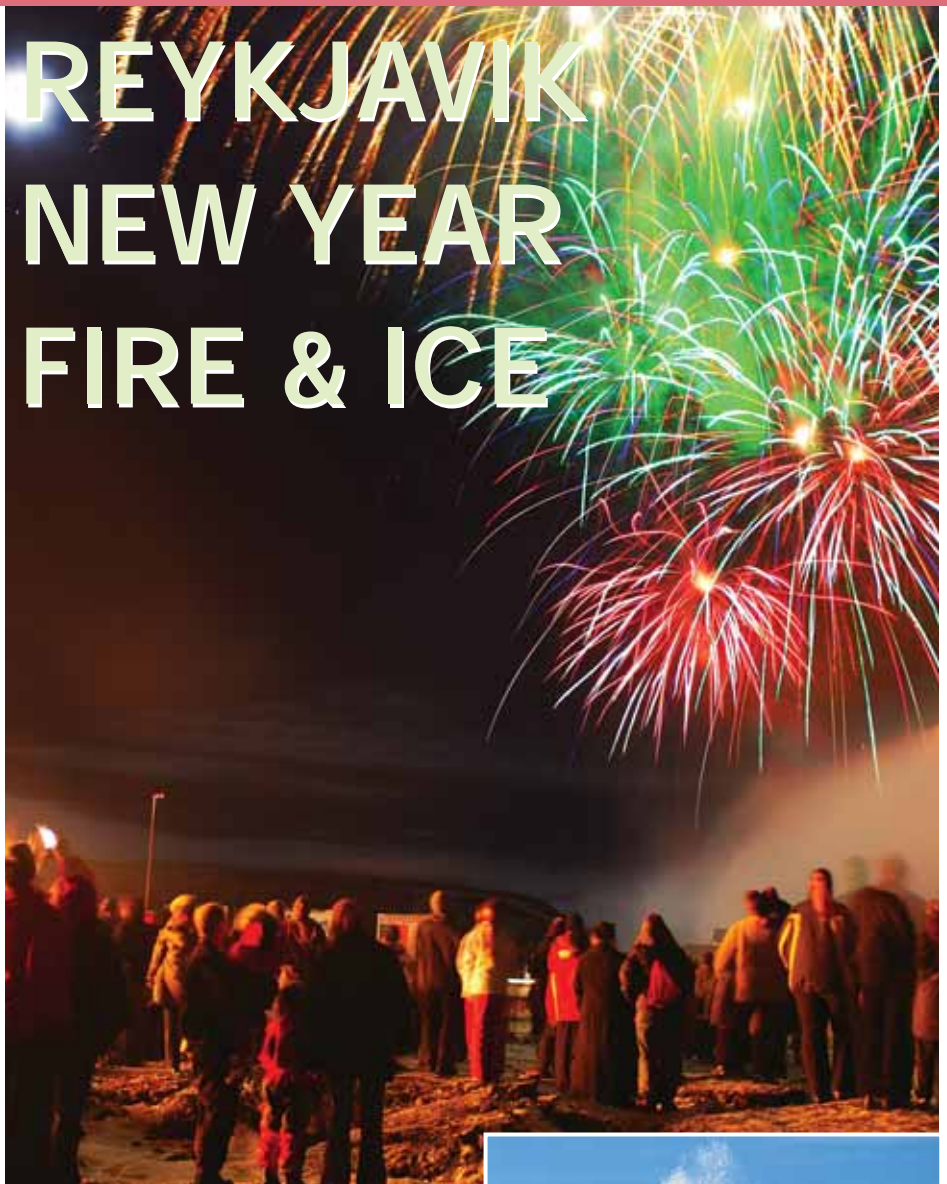
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DATE	TWIN	SINGLE
29 DEC - 2 JAN	875	1035

Price includes return scheduled Icelandair flight(s) from Heathrow or Manchester to Reykjavik

- In-flight cabin service • All airport departure taxes and passenger service charges
- Airport/hotel bus transfers • 4 nights accommodation in twin room(s) with private WC/shower • 4 breakfasts • New Year's Eve Buffet Dinner and programme as per itinerary
- Blue Lagoon excursion.

REYKJAVIK NEW YEAR FIRE & ICE



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29 DEC Scheduled Icelandair flight from Heathrow or Manchester to Reykjavik. Transfer on arrival to Grand Hotel for 4 nights.

30 DEC Optional excursions (see page 19)

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NEW YEARS EVE PROGRAMME

5.30 Sparkling wine and strawberries reception

6.30 Buffet on Ice accompanied by Icelandic folk entertainment

9.00 Guided tour around the best of the city's bonfires, blowing out the Old Year in Reykjavik's time honoured manner. Return to hotel.

10.15 Dessert and coffee

11.45 Sparkling wine and canapés on hotel's 4th floor balcony for fireworks display and midnight countdown.

12.30 Dancing and live music in the hotel's Gullteigur ballroom

2.00 To bed or bar

1 JAN Optional excursions (see page 19)

2 JAN Morning at leisure before transfer, via the Blue Lagoon for a relaxing bathe. Continue to Keflavik for return flight to UK.

