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HJALTEYRI WHALE WATCHING

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2021

Welcome to



HJALTEYRI

HOME OF THE WHALES

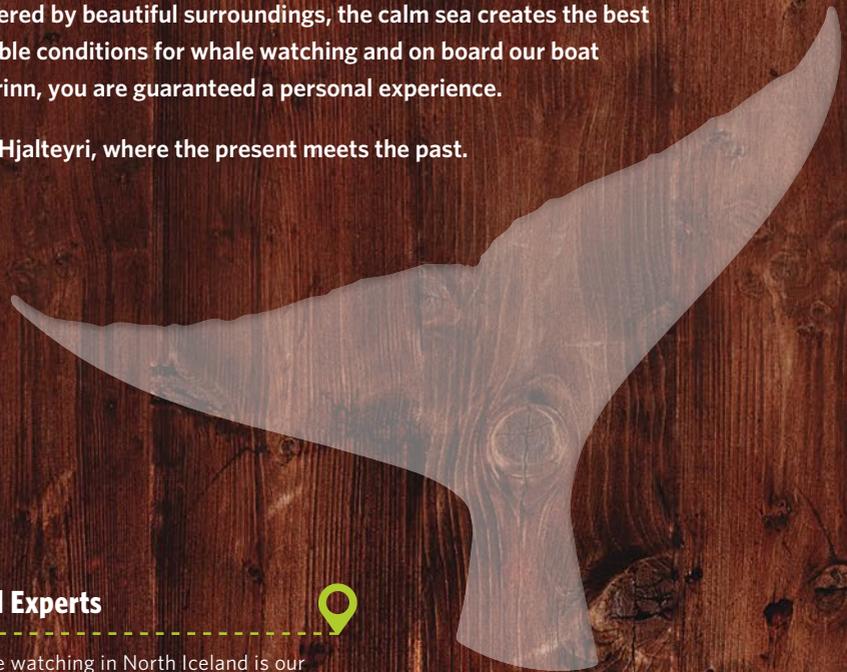
IN NORTH ICELAND

Perfectly located next to the traditional whale watching areas in Eyjafjörður, Hjalteyri is a unique destination off the beaten track. Its historical background and picturesque sceneries are remarkable.

Throughout the first half of the 20th century, Hjalteyri was one of the most famous herring towns in Iceland. Nowadays, Hjalteyri is known for the countless number of whales residing in the area all year round.

Sheltered by beautiful surroundings, the calm sea creates the best possible conditions for whale watching and on board our boat Knörrinn, you are guaranteed a personal experience.

Visit Hjalteyri, where the present meets the past.



Local Experts



Whale watching in North Iceland is our specialty. Our captains have set out to sail in Eyjafjörður for decades making them experts of the area.

Responsible Whale Watching



By prioritising the safety of passengers and wildlife, we ensure a responsible and sustainable approach to whale watching.

Highly Qualified Crew



Our highly qualified and professional crew has extensive sailing experience and wildlife knowledge.

99,4% SIGHTINGS

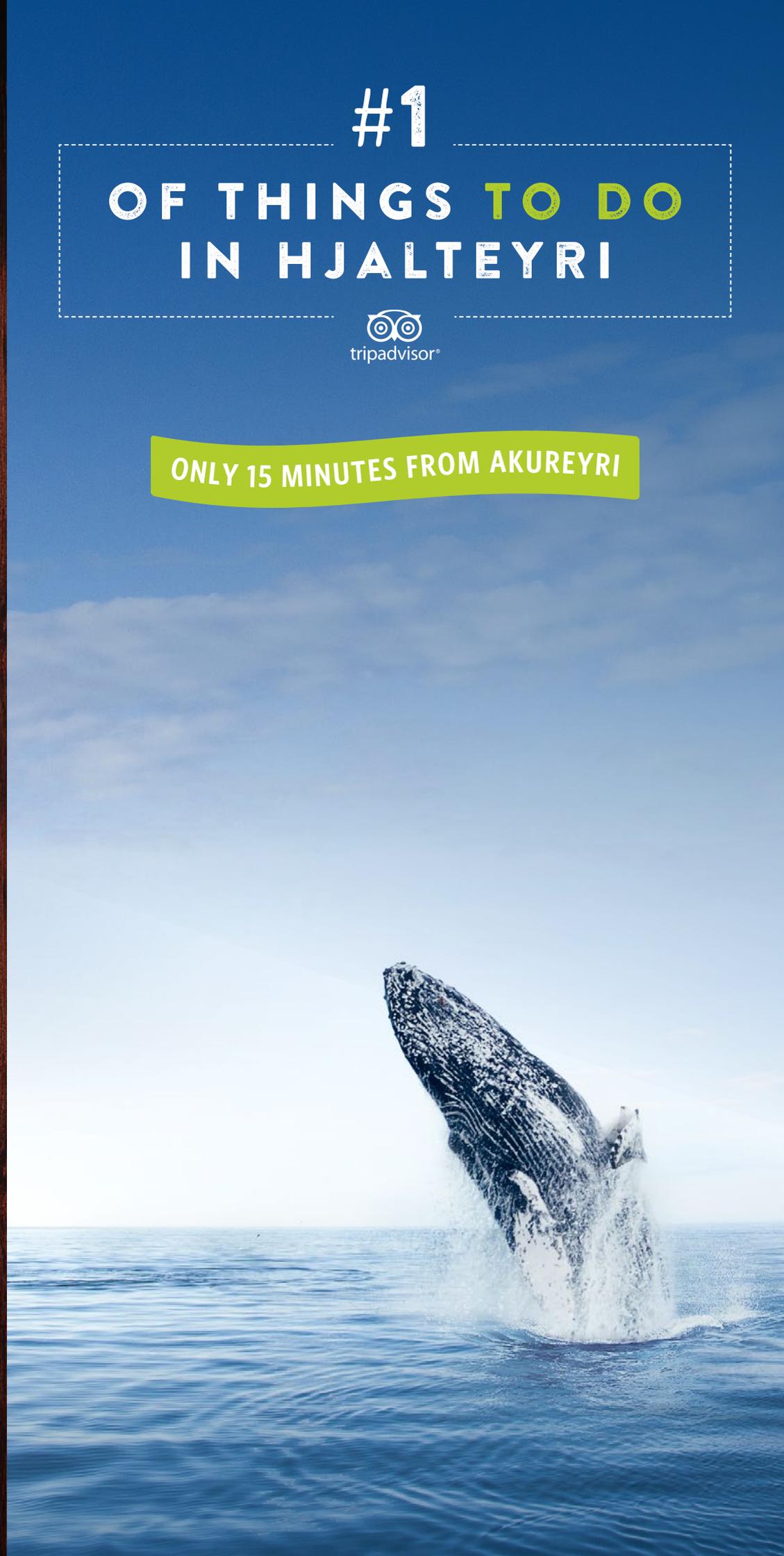
last five years

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OF THINGS TO DO IN HJALTEYRI



ONLY 15 MINUTES FROM AKUREYRI



“IF YOU’RE NOT INTO BIG GROUPS
AND WANT TO HAVE A MORE UNIQUE
EXPERIENCE I WOULD DEFINITELY
CHOOSE THIS TOUR.”



Wow!

*Hot chocolate and
cinnamon buns served
on the way home.*

BEST SELLER

HJALTEYRI ORIGINAL WHALE WATCHING



Try an unforgettable whale watching tour from the charming village of Hjalteyri, a well kept secret in the heart of North Iceland.

Surround yourself in history and visit the old village of Hjalteyri. Step aboard our traditional Icelandic oak boat and enjoy a quiet sailing exploring the calm seas of Eyjafjörður, on North Sailing’s first whale watching vessel.

This tour gives you the unique opportunity to get in touch with the great wildlife of the North, including whales and seabirds, all under the guidance and expertise of our most qualified crew.

Daily departures from Hjalteyri 2021

| 18 - 31 MAY | 1 JUNE - 15 SEP. | 16 - 30 SEP. |
|-------------|------------------|--------------|
| 10:00 | 10:00 | 10:00 |
| | 14:00 | |

9.990 ISK

3.300 ISK 7-15 years

FREE Under 7 years



2,5
HOURS

LET'S GO WHALE WATCHING!

Refreshments on board



Hot chocolate and cinnamon buns, served on all tours on the way home! A family recipe.

We'll keep you warm!



We provide everyone with warm overalls. We still recommend bringing warm clothes, hats and gloves.

Our tours are approx. 2,5 hours

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What is the best time to go?



All times are good to go whale watching! Whether it's in the morning, midday, or afternoon, it all comes down to a little bit of luck since we're dealing with wild nature. But with a 99.4% success rate in the last five years, the chances are definitely in your favour!

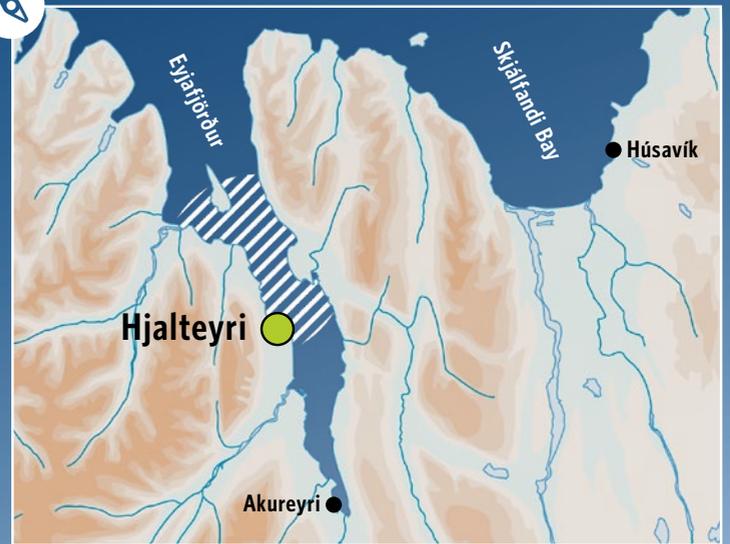
Toilet on board



No need to worry, there is a toilet on board.

Whale watching area

All our tours visit the same traditional whale watching area!



We recommend booking in advance!

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Keep your eyes open



Let's see if you can spot a whale before the crew does! When searching for whales, the crew relies on their vision, binoculars and their experience in reading the nature.

WELCOME ON BOARD KNÖRRINN

The lucky boat

Knörrinn was built in Akureyri in 1963 and feels at home when sailing in Eyjafjörður. When built, a gold coin was placed under the boat's mast hoping it would bring good fortune. And so it has! After having survived the famous "April Storm" on its maiden voyage, it was nicknamed the Lucky Boat and has lived up to its name ever since. Since joining our family in 1995, Knörrinn has pleased thousands of travellers scouting for whales and will surely continue to be lucky for years to come.



Photo © Freimur Hjartarson



Why use oak boats?

Oak boats have many advantages to plastic and steel boats. Their robust build makes them strong, reliable, and safe, and the low fuel consumption rate makes them more silent and eco-friendly!

Built on tradition



By maintaining the traditional Icelandic oak boats, we are preserving our unique cultural heritage.

Our top activities!

THE OLD HERRING FACTORY

The old herring factory has been transformed from its original role of processing fish meal and oil into a venue for modern art. Built in 1937 and closed in 1966, it is a huge concrete structure sprawling on the edge of the fjord. The old concrete tanks and decaying walls cannot go unnoticed as they influence the atmosphere of Hjalteyri and give the harbor a unique look to it.



STRÝTAN DIVE CENTRE

Strytan Dive Centre strives to provide the most personal diving experience that you can find anywhere. In addition to keeping the diving groups small enough to give each diver a special journey.

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Our favorite TOP THINGS TO DO IN HJALTEYRI



Welcome

Our top activities!

OUTDOOR HOT TUB

Down by the sea you can find a marvelous hot tub run by donations. Ideal to warm up after having been out at sea or pre-heat yourself before the activities coming up. Fantastic sceneries over Eyjafjörður as the hot tub is almost parallel to the sea and mountains are all around.



ARTIST EXHIBITIONS

The 1500 m² former historical herring factory has been revitalized into an exhibition space. A vast sum of artists exhibit works in this huge space - from paintings to sculptures and everything in between - where they seek inspiration from the area surrounding them.



KAYAK TOURS

As Hjalteyri is sheltered from big ocean waves, it's a great place for kayaking. Depending on your experience you can either paddle on the pond or head straight on out to the ocean.

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OUR TICKET CENTRE
THE "LIGHTHOUSE"



OUR PIER

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Home of the whales
Located in the heart of Eyjafjörður

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HÚSAVÍK

THE WHALE CAPITAL OF ICELAND



Pick your tour!

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HÚSAVÍK ORIGINAL WHALE WATCHING



An unforgettable whale watching exploration, recommended by thousands of travellers.

CARBON-NEUTRAL



SILENT WHALE WATCHING



Glide silently alongside the whales on an electric boat. A tranquil whale watching experience.

HOME OF THE PUFFINS



WHALES AND PUFFINS



The perfect combination. A whale watching excursion with a stop by the peaceful Puffin Island.

TRADITIONAL SAILING



WHALES AND SAILS



Get close to the whales on board a traditional Icelandic sailboat and learn the old ways of sailing.

ON FAST RIB BOATS



BIG WHALES AND PUFFINS



Enjoy a whale watching experience of a lifetime and the best view possible in our fast RIB boats.
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Humpback whale

Hnúfubakur
17 m & 35 t.

Humpback whales can eat up to 1.5 tonnes of food per day.

Harbour porpoise

Hnísa
1,5 m & 70 kg.

Harbour porpoises are one of the smallest examples of marine mammals.

Minke whale

Hrefna
11 m & 10 t.

The Minke whale can create sounds at over 150 decibels that can be heard from many miles away. For comparison, loud rock concerts reach up to 125 decibels.

Blue whale

Steypireyður
30 m & 190 t.

The Blue whale is the largest animal to have ever existed on Earth at any point.

White beaked dolphin

Hnýðingur
3 m & 350 kg.

White beaked dolphins can reach a speed of 45 km/h.

Illustrations by Jón Baldur Hlíðberg www.fauna.is

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Booking a tour has never been easier

Book online

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Get information and tickets from our whale watching experts at the "Lighthouse", located down by the harbour in Hjalteyri.



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We recommend booking in advance

If you haven't, drop by at our "Lighthouse" down by the harbour in Hjalteyri and check for availability as we have frequent departures! If you've already booked, we kindly ask you to arrive there 30 minutes before departure.

Online discounts available:

10% 10% discount on selected departures when booked online
Please check our website for more info

Your boarding pass grants you these discounts in Húsavík:

20% 20% discount at The Húsavík Whale Museum

10% 10% discount at Restaurant Gamli Baukur

10% 10% discount at Café Hvalbakur

10% 10% discount at North Sailing's Souvenir Store

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Whales OF EYJAFJÖRÐUR

We accept all major credit cards and foreign currency. Guidance generally in English. Our guides come from all over the world so if you have special requests on language, please ask our staff. Please note that tours may vary. No guarantees can be given for sightings and timings can change slightly as the sailing routes can differ. The natural environment is untamed and therefore we do not control the animals, the weather and other elements of nature. In the unlikely event that you do not see a whale, you get another ticket for free.

Discover

HJALTEYRI

the home of the whales



FRIENDLY
LOCALS



COLOURFUL
HOUSES



BLACK SAND
BEACH



HARBOUR
HOT TUB



...and curious humpbacks!



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