## ADMINISTRATIVE FORMALITIES

Iceland has not been a member of the European Union, but of the Schengen area since 2001. The free movement of citizens and goods is therefore authorized. To enter Icelandic territory, you will therefore only need a valid passport or identity card. This document must be valid at least three months beyond your date of stay.

→ ELECTRICITY: THE VOLTAGE USED IS 220 V AND THE SOCKETS MEET THE FRENCH STANDARD.

### LANGUAGE

Icelandic. The writing is in Latin characters with a few characters specific to the language. Many Icelanders speak English! Icelandic, which is similar to the old Norse spoken by the early Vikings, is a language that has changed very little since its origin. Icelanders are thus able to easily read and understand the texts of the first Viking conquerors, their settlement in Iceland and their daily lives: the famous Icelandic sagas.



### SOMES INFORMATIONS

On the import side, there are a few restrictions. You cannot take fresh produce (cheese, meat, etc.) to Iceland. The import of alcohol is limited to 3 L per adult person. Finally, only one carton of cigarettes is allowed in your luggage at customs. For this you must be over 18 years of age. Finally, it is strictly forbidden to bring back stones from Iceland. This would contribute to the phenomenon of erosion of the island which considerably deteriorates its environment.

# IN WINTER: - 1H00. WHEN IT IS 12:00 IN PARIS, IT IS 11:00 A.M. IN REYKJAVIK.

### HEALTH

L'Islande est un pays sans dangers. En cas de besoin, vous pourrez néanmoins être traité gratuitement (sous présentation de la carte européenne d'assurance maladie). L'eau islandaise est potable et aucune vaccination n'est exigée.

### MONEY

Iceland is one of the most expensive countries in the world. The local currency is the Icelandic crown. You will have no problem changing your euros or your traveller's checks.

Finally, international bank cards are accepted everywhere and are preferred.

COINS: THE ICELANDIC CROWN (ISK) DIVIDED INTO 100 AURAR. IN MARCH 2020, 1 EURO = 150 (ISK)

#### GEOGRAPHY

Iceland is 20 million years old, it is located in the middle of the North Atlantic, on the mid-Atlantic ridge. Specifically, this means that Iceland is between the Eurasian tectonic plate and the American tectonic plate. As a result, it is a volcanic island in action, where the rate of eruptions is about one every 5 years.

With almost 200 volcanoes, the vast majority of the island is made up of volcanic rock. On its surface, 11% of the island is covered with ice, 1% of the land is cultivated, 20% is covered with vegetation, 2% with lakes, 40% with sands, the rest is desert. grande majorité de roches volcaniques. I

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