

THE TUMI City Edit



A Guide To Reykjavik, Iceland

Sophisticated with a spit-and-sawdust edge, Reykjavik is the ultimate hipster city. Everything from its new Nordic cuisine, Scandi fashion and natural spas to the dramatic architecture that cut futuristic shapes against its brooding skies, is just achingly cool. Hotels and bars are the definition of industrial chic and the landscapes—black mountains framed by an enigmatic sea—are a photographer's dream. This is a city like nowhere else on this earth.

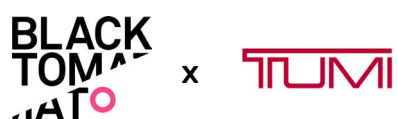
Get ready with TUMI

Reykjavik's ice-cool style is easy to achieve with these lux TUMI travel picks.

Landon Elmore International Carry On
For something to match Reykjavik's cutting-edge cool, TUMI's new Landon collection can answer the call. The Elmore's sleek, minimal design will have you fitting in with the style set in no time.

Landon Alcott Backpack Top Backpack
It will be easy to channel your inner Björk with this bold monochrome backpack. Another statement-making choice from the ultra-modern Landon collection.

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Grab a coffee

Reykjavík Roasters

International coffee chains don't exist here, so you're guaranteed a unique brew in its cafés. At Reykjavik Roasters you can pick your own brewing method, sip quality freshly-ground beans or even sign-up for a coffee making workshop.

📍 Kárástígur 1, 101 Reykjavík
☎ +354 517 5535
🌐 reykjavikroasters.is

Do a lobster lunch

Torfan Lobsterhouse

Icelandic seafood is world class, so sampling Reykjavik's well-lauded lobster soup is a must. Set within a beautifully restored lobster house, Torfan is an elegant choice whose nouvelle take on Icelandic lobster is well worth the hype.

📍 Amtmannsstíg 1
☎ +354 561 3303
🌐 torfan.is

Get cultured

Harpa Music Hall

Arguably one of Reykjavik's most dramatic buildings—Ólafur Elíasson designed the honeycomb glass façade—it's always worth checking out the artistic offerings at this musical hub which hosts festivals and concerts ranging from electronica to opera and jazz.

📍 Austurbakka 2
☎ +354 528 5000
🌐 harpa.is

Where to stay

101 Hotel

This designer hotel in the city's heart is a homage to modern monochrome. Icelandic artwork pops amidst chrome and frosted glass in the rooms, which overlook the brooding mountain-backed harbour. A slick basement mini spa offers creature comforts.

📍 Hverfisgata 10
☎ +354 580 0101
🌐 101hotel.is

Dine in style

AALTO Bistro

Reykjavik's answer to the New Nordic culinary craze is this bistro helmed by Iceland's celebrity TV chef, Sveinn Kjartansson. Seafood is the natural focus, along with some local smoked goose or duck and a few vegan options.

📍 The Nordic House, Sturlugata 5
☎ +354 551 0200
🌐 aalto.is

Taste a micro-brew

Mikkeler & Friends

Reykjavik's growing craft beer scene signifies its new artisan era; hip Kex Hostel bar even hosts a local beer festival. But this micro-brewery is where you'll find the best buzz after dark. Stylish locals start with pizza downstairs.

📍 Hverfisgata 12
☎ +354 437 0203
🌐 mikkeler.dk

Best architectural fix

The Pearl

Rocket-shaped Hallgrímskirkja church offers impressive city views, but this geothermal power station doubles as a cultural hotspot. Known as The Pearl, its mirrored dome provides Reykjavik with hot water, a revolving restaurant, art exhibitions and a 360° panorama.

📍 Öskjuhlíð, 105
☎ +354 562 0200
🌐 perlan.is

The retail trail

Kron Kron

Pick up your Scandi essentials at this hip store which strikes that careful balance between chic and eccentric. You'll find a mix of Scandi designers like Henrik Vibskov with international labels such as Acne Studios and Vivienne Westwood.

📍 Laugavegi 63B
☎ +354 562 8388
🌐 kronkron.com

Blow off steam

Blue Lagoon

The Blue Lagoon is an easy bucket-list spa hit on your way to or from the airport. If you have time though, Laugarvatn Fontana an hour out of town is a geothermal gem you'll likely have to yourself.

📍 Av Mem de Sá, 79, Lapa
☎ +55 21 2221 0043
🌐 barcariocadagema.com.br

For a sundowner

Apotek Kitchen + bar

Housed in the old city pharmacy, Apotek's bar dispenses award-winning cocktails to its sleek clientele. The expert mixologists, or 'pharmacists', serve tongue-in-cheek artisan creations under the labels Painkillers, Stimulants, Tranquillisers or Placebos for the virtuous.

📍 Austurstræti 16, 101
☎ +354 551-0011
🌐 apotekrestaurant.is

Vatnajökull National Park

Skip the Golden Circle tourist trail and hike your way to a moment of peace in this vast park just west of Reykjavik. Its expanse of snowy mountain peaks, glaciers and cascading waterfalls is the perfect city getaway.

📍 Klapparstígur 25-27
☎ +354 575 8400
🌐 vatnajokulsthjodgardur.is

