

Suggestions for a

4 day program

on what to do on the Faroe Islands

Spring and autumn

Monday-Streymoy

Orientation – use the first hours of the day to orientate about the city, the islands, infrastructure, fees etc. Feel free to visit the Tourist Information Centre located in the city for suggestions, guidance and recommendation. The Tourist Information Centre is open from 9.00 – 17.00.

12.00 – Lunch in one of several great restaurants in the heart of Tórshavn.

Restaurant Hafnia offers a lunch buffet from 11.30 – 13.30.

Hvonn offers light meals, salads and mainly Italian cuisine

14.00 – Drive up north to visit the villages of Tjørnuvík and Saksun. The villages are approximately 50 km away from Tórshavn. On the way north it is recommended to take the mountain road out of Tórshavn. This was the main road out of Tórshavn until the new coastal road came with the tunnel to Kollafjørður. On the way drive north you should stop and see the panoramic view of Sornfelli, which is 749m high and has unforgettable view over the islands

16.00 – The village of Saksun. One of the most depicted and scenic villages in the Faroe Islands, which is known for the heritage museum Dúvugarðar and the round bay. It used to be a natural harbour, however today the bay is full of sand and only accessible

when the tide is low. The tide changes on a daily basis, but visit the Tourist Information Centre for information about when it is possible to walk on the sand to the seashore.

17.00 – Tjørnuvík, the Northernmost village in Streymoy. On the way to Tjørnuvík make a stop at Fossá, which is the highest waterfall in the Faroe Islands and it is located between the villages of Hvalvík and Haldarsvík. Upon arrival in Tjørnuvík note the natural Greek theatre which is created by the mountains as well as the sea stacks Risin and Kellingin, which according to the tales made an attempt to tow the Faroe Islands to Iceland.

19.00 – Dinner in Japanese cuisine Restaurant Etika or try faroese specialties at Restaurant *Katrína Christiansen*, where author William Heinesen lived as a child.

Tuesday – The Northern Island & Northern Eysturoy

10.00– Drive north towards Gjógv. The distance from Tórshavn is 67 km. On the way make a stop at Áir and have a look at the old Whaling Station. Continue over the bridge that connects Streymoy with Eysturoy – it is said to be the only bridge over the North Atlantic – and continue to Gjógv via Eiði. On the way you will pass Slættaratindur (882m), which is the highest mountain in the Faroe Islands.

12.00 – Enjoy lunch at Gjáargarður guesthouse (open from March 1st-October 30th) in Gjógv before exploring the small village, the beautiful vista in the natural built distinctive gorge.

14.00 - Drive towards Klaksvík in the Northern Islands. On the way it is worth noticing the changable landscape.

Coming from the more flat area around Tórshavn you will see the high mountains and the rough nature in the Northern Islands. In addition, places of interest on the way are:

The village of Oyndarfjørður – the rocking stones

Leirvík – recent archeological excavation

15.00 – Get a nice cup of coffee and pastries in the charming café *Friða*, in Klaksvík, named after the ship *Royndin Friða*, owned by the Famous Nólsoyar Páll

15.30 – City sightseeing in Klaksvík. Visit the natural area Úti í Grøv, the brewery or the Northern Museum. Alternatively, take your children to the swimming pool with especially good facilities for children.

17.00 - Go through the small and narrow tunnels to the village of Viðareiði. Make small photo stops in the several small villages you will pass on the way.

18.00 - Have dinner in Klaksvík at Angus Steakhouse or Jacqson.

The drive back to Tórshavn is approximately 1½ hrs. Remember to pay.

the fee for using the subsea tunnel. You can do this at the Effo station in Leirvík. The price is DKK 100.

Wednesday – Visit the historical island Sandoy

Gamlarætt is located about 10 minutes from Tórshavn, on the west side of Streymoy and is the ferryport to the islands of Sandoy and Hestur. Enjoy breakfast at your hotel and take the ferry Teistin from Gamlarætt at

9.45 – remember to line up in the queue with car at least 1 hour before departure. You can book a spot for the car on www.ssl.fo. The crossing is 25 minutes.

You arrive to the latest settlement on the island, Skopun. From there drive towards Skálavík. The distance is about 20 km. On the way make stops by the several lakes and enjoy the view to the southern islands of Skúvoy, St. Dímun, Lítla Dímun and Suðuroy.

12.00 – Lunch in Skálavík, at ‘Depilin’.

13.00 – Visit the village of Húsavík. Experience the medieval ruins of the farm that belonged to Norwegian Guðrun Sjúrdardóttir, among locals known as the Dame of Húsavík.

14.00 - Sandur is the greatest populated village on the island. The

name derives from the broad and sandy beach and only sand dunes in the country. Amongst places to visit are the village museum Koytu as well as the art museum. In addition, it is possible to experience the archeological excavations which currently are examining the life of our ancestors.

15.00 – The bay of Søltuvík on the west side of the island. Follow the narrow road west over. Several shipwrecks are said to be in the bay, and from here it is possible to do a short walk to see the steep picturesque cliffs in which many birds nest.

16.30 – The ferry departs for Gamlarætt. Remember to line up in the queue in advance. Price is DKK 160 for the car and driver. Remaining passengers DKK 40.

19.00 – Enjoy dinner in the cosy and historic atmosphere in Áarstova. The area used to be the centre for all trade in Tórshavn, or even the Faroe Islands. 2 of the most famous Faroese poets are born and raised there and it truly was the cultural center in the end of last century. The original house is no longer there, however, the atmosphere is still living in the area.

Thursday – Tórshavn & Kirkjubøur

Spend the rest of your holiday in Tórshavn and the surroundings. Why not start with a hike to Kirkjubøur over the mountain before lunch?

10.00 – Hike to Kirkjubøur. Follow the footpath and cairns to Kirkjubøur. The walk is about 7 km and takes approximately 2 hours. It is a suitable walk for everyone. In Kirkjubø you can visit the imposing ruins of Saint Magnus Cathedral. You can also see the medieval church as well as Roystkovan which is built in the period of the Gothic architecture.

Take the free city bus no. 5E back at 13.18 from Kirkjubø. Alternatively you can take the bus 5V to Kirkjubø at 09.34 and do the hike back to Tórshavn.

13.30 -Lunch in one of several great restaurants in the heart of Tórshavn.

14.30 – Visit the old part of Tórshavn, Tinganes. Get a map of the area from the Tourist Information Centre with detailed information of Tinganes, or even book a tour guide to take you around.

16.00 – Walk through the pedestrian street, buy a special gift for the loved ones in the city centre or the Mall SMS