

Dalvík

Northeastern Region · Iceland

TRAVEL GUIDE

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Overview

Dalvík is a fishing town on the west shore of Eyjafjörður in north Iceland. It is known for whale watching, a small ski area and ferries to the island of Grímsey.

The town is quiet, with a harbour, a swimming pool and a few cafés. It is a good base for a day or two beside Akureyri.

When to visit

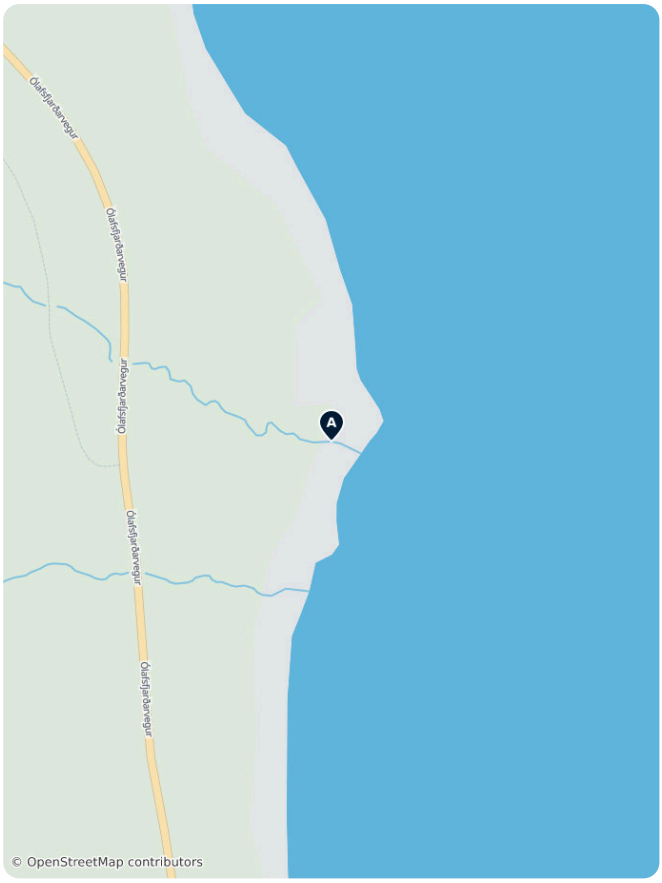
Whale watching runs from spring to autumn, with the best conditions in summer. Winter has snow, skiing and northern lights. Roads are cleared, but check the forecast.

MONTH	CONDITIONS	DAY °C avg / max	NIGHT °C avg / min	
January	Good Good for skiing	0° / 7° Feels like -5°	-4° / -10°	20 rainy days · Dry air
February	Good Good for skiing	0° / 6° Feels like -5°	-4° / -11°	19 rainy days · Dry air
March	Good Good for skiing	1° / 7° Feels like -5°	-3° / -10°	20 rainy days · Dry air
April	Good Good for skiing	3° / 8° Feels like -2°	-2° / -7°	16 rainy days · Dry air
May	Fair Fair for skiing	5° / 11° Feels like 2°	1° / -3°	16 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
June	Fair Fair for wildlife watching	10° / 16° Feels like 7°	6° / 1°	14 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
July	Fair Fair for wildlife watching	13° / 18°	9° / 5°	16 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
August	Fair Fair for wildlife watching	13° / 18°	8° / 4°	17 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
September	Poor Poor for wildlife watching	9° / 15° Feels like 6°	5° / 0°	20 rainy days · Dry air
October	Fair Fair for skiing	4° / 11° Feels like 0°	1° / -6°	21 rainy days · Dry air
November	Good Good for skiing	2° / 7° Feels like -4°	-2° / -9°	20 rainy days · Dry air
December	Good Good for skiing	0° / 7° Feels like -5°	-4° / -11°	20 rainy days · Dry air

Climate data: NASA POWER + Copernicus ERA5-Land and ERA5 · 1996–2025

Top sights

- Whale watching tours leave from the harbour. Humpback whales and dolphins are often seen in the fjord.
- (A) Mígandifoss is a waterfall north of the town, reached on a path.
- The ferry to Grímsey, the only part of Iceland on the Arctic Circle, leaves from the harbour. Check the timetable.
- The ski area above the town has runs in winter.



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Getting there

- **By car**: The drive from Akureyri is about 40 minutes by road through a tunnel.
- **By bus**: Local buses connect the town with Akureyri.
- **Nearby**: Húsavík is about 1 hour 30 minutes away.

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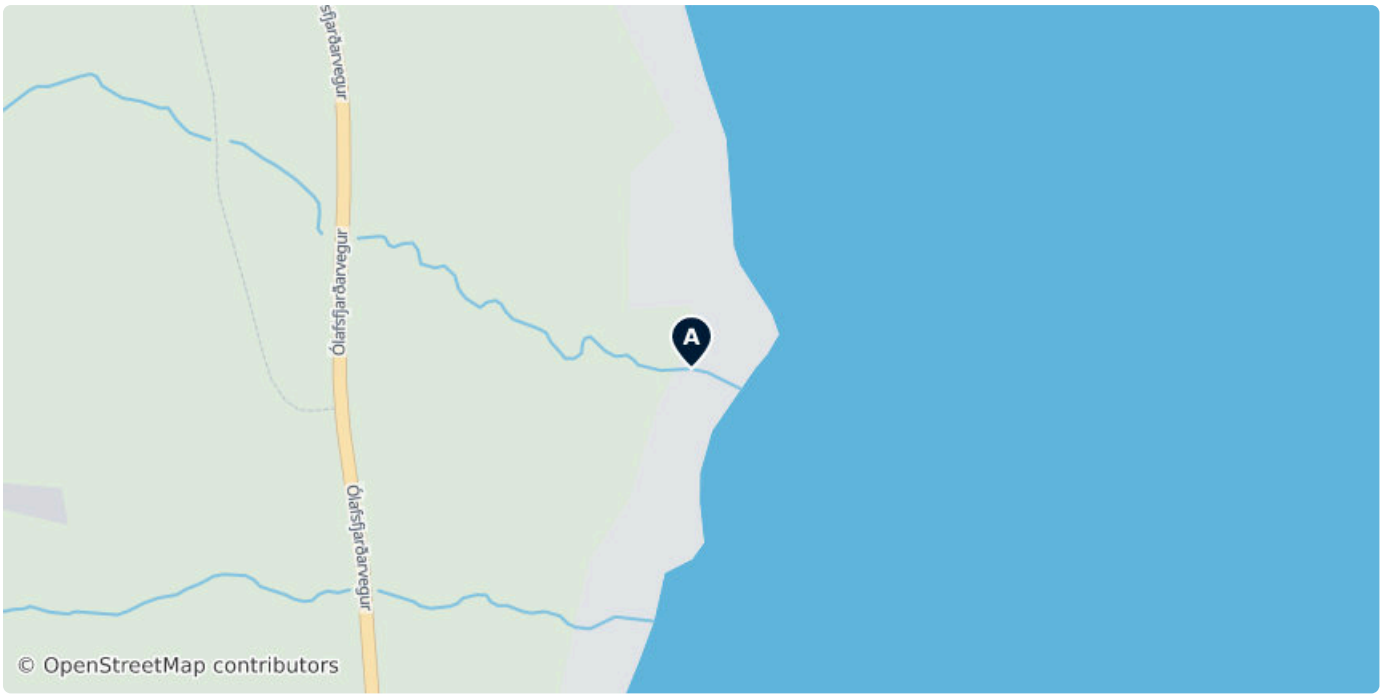

A Mígandifoss

Iceland (66.06637, -18.52681)

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