

Laugarvatn

Southern Region · Iceland

TRAVEL GUIDE

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Overview

Laugarvatn is a small lakeside village in south Iceland, in the middle of the Golden Circle. It is known for its geothermal heat, which warms the lake shore and the spa.

It is a calm base between Thingvellir and Gullfoss, with a lake, forests and easy walks.

When to visit

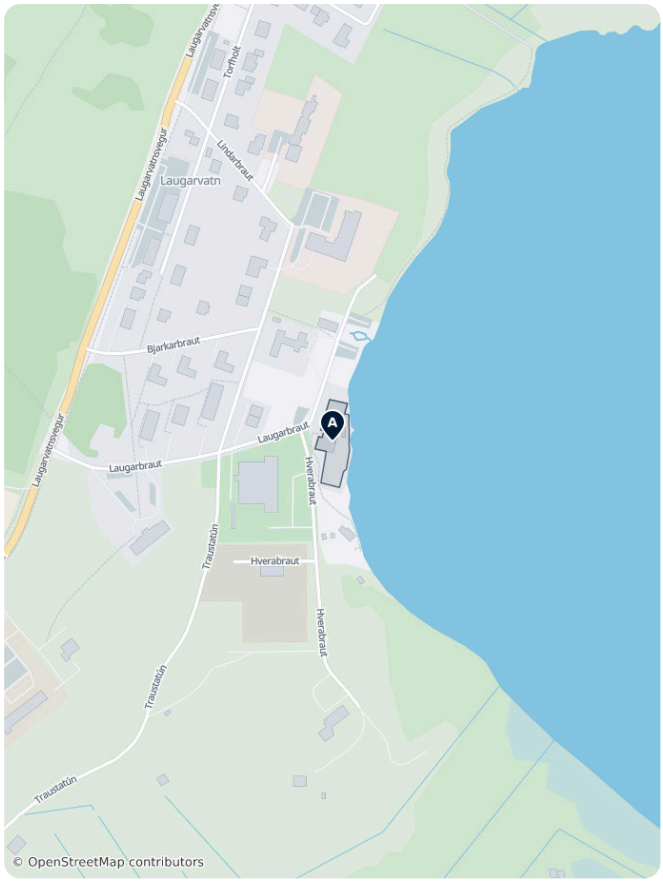
The village is open all year. Summer is best for walks and the lake. In winter, a warm bath in cold air is a popular activity, and clear nights offer a chance of northern lights.

MONTH	CONDITIONS	DAY °C avg / max	NIGHT °C avg / min	
January	Poor Poor for hiking	1° / 6° Feels like -6°	-3° / -12°	20 rainy days · Dry air
February	Poor Poor for hiking	1° / 6° Feels like -6°	-3° / -12°	19 rainy days · Dry air
March	Poor Poor for hiking	2° / 7° Feels like -4°	-3° / -11°	20 rainy days · Dry air
April	Poor Poor for hiking	6° / 10° Feels like -1°	0° / -7°	18 rainy days · Dry air
May	Poor Poor for hiking	9° / 14° Feels like 4°	3° / -1°	17 rainy days · Dry air
June	Fair Fair for hiking	13° / 17° Feels like 9°	7° / 3°	17 rainy days · Dry air
July	Fair Fair for hiking	15° / 19° Feels like 12°	9° / 6°	18 rainy days · Dry air
August	Fair Fair for hiking	14° / 18° Feels like 11°	8° / 4°	18 rainy days · Dry air
September	Poor Poor for hiking	11° / 14° Feels like 6°	6° / 0°	20 rainy days · Dry air
October	Poor Poor for hiking	6° / 10° Feels like 0°	2° / -5°	19 rainy days · Dry air
November	Poor Poor for hiking	3° / 8° Feels like -4°	-1° / -10°	18 rainy days · Dry air
December	Poor Poor for hiking	1° / 7° Feels like -6°	-3° / -13°	20 rainy days · Dry air

Climate data: NASA POWER (MERRA-2) · 1996–2025

Top sights

- Laugarvatn Fontana Geothermal Baths is a spa beside the lake, with steam baths and a sauna. A local bakery bakes rye bread in the hot ground.
- The lake and its shore have short walks.
- The Golden Circle sights are close: Thingvellir and Gullfoss.



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Getting there

- **By car**: Laugarvatn is about 90 km from Reykjavík, a drive of around 1 hour 15 minutes.
- **By bus**: Tour buses and some regional buses stop here in summer.
- **Nearby**: Thingvellir is about 30 minutes away and Flúðir about 40 minutes.

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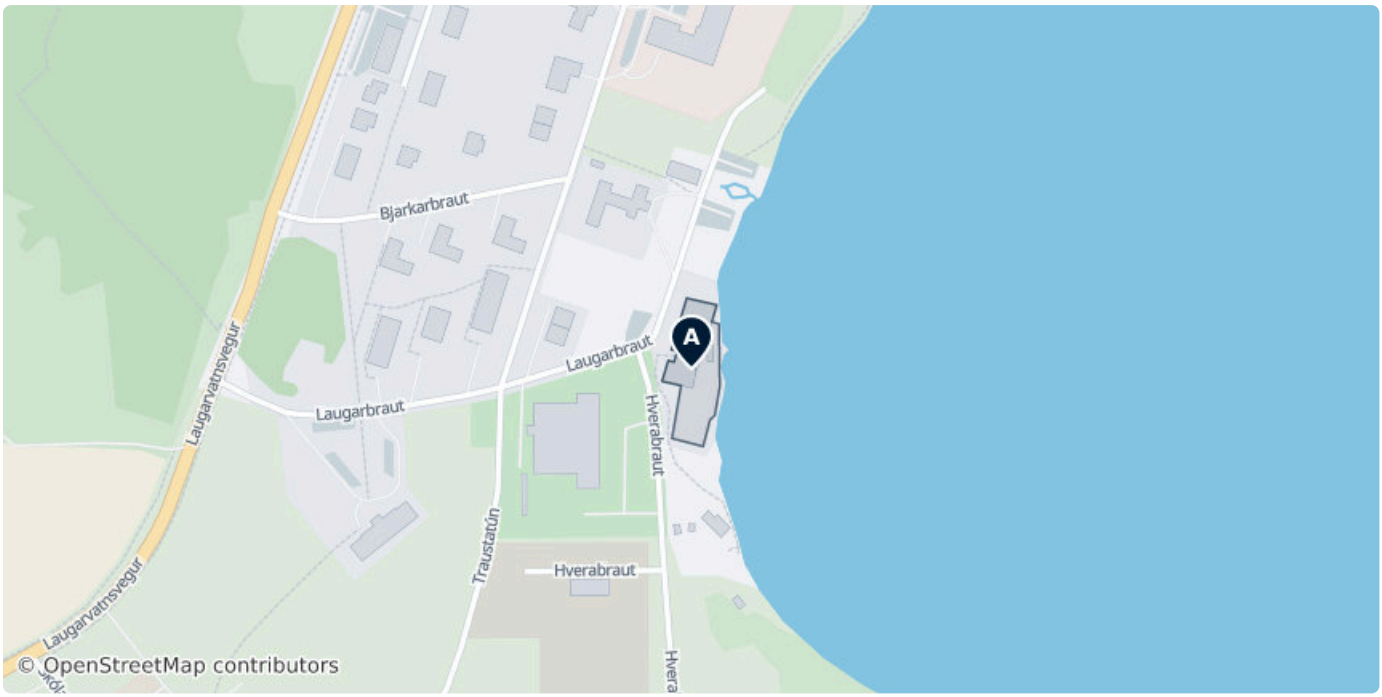



A Laugarvatn Fontana Geothermal Baths

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(64.21462, -20.73022)

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