

Viðey

Reykjavík · Iceland

TRAVEL GUIDE

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Overview

Viðey is a small island in Kollafjörður bay, a short boat ride from Reykjavík. It has no cars, only paths, and it is a quiet place for a walk, with views of the city and the mountains.

The island has the oldest stone house in Iceland, a church, art works and a large light tower for peace.

When to visit

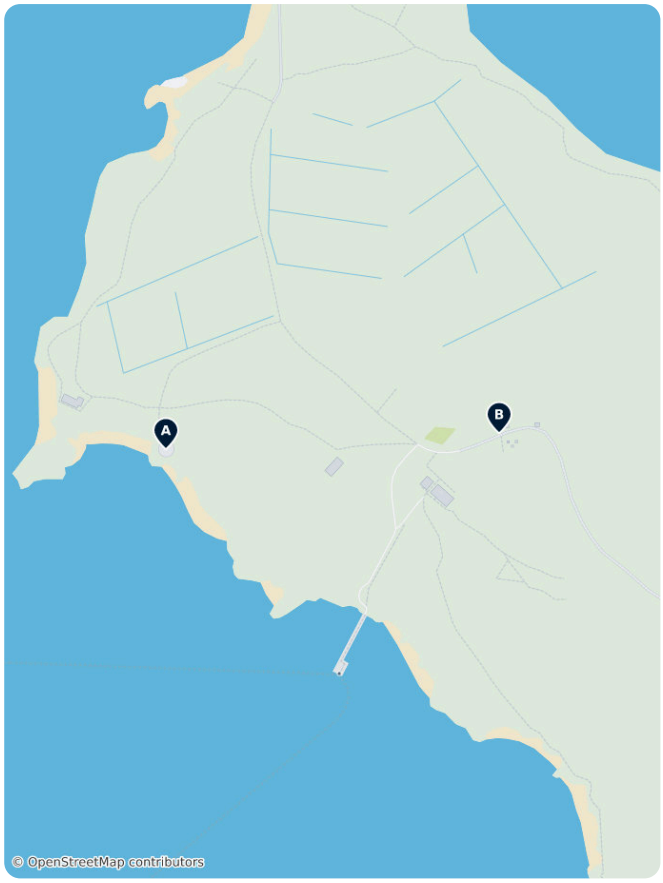
The ferry runs daily in summer and on fewer days in winter. Summer has the longest days and the most birdlife. The tower is lit on chosen dates, mainly in the darker months.

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

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

Top sights

- Ⓐ Imagine Peace Tower is a tower of light by Yoko Ono, in memory of John Lennon. The beam shines from the island on set dates.
- Ⓑ Viðey has walking paths, a house from the 18th century, a church and a café.
- Áfangar is a set of stone sculptures on the island by Richard Serra.
- Birds nest on the island in summer. Stay on the paths.



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Getting there

- **By ferry**: Ferries leave from Skarfabakki harbour in Reykjavík. The crossing takes about 10 minutes.
- **In summer**: Some ferries also leave from the Old Harbour in Reykjavík. Check the timetable.

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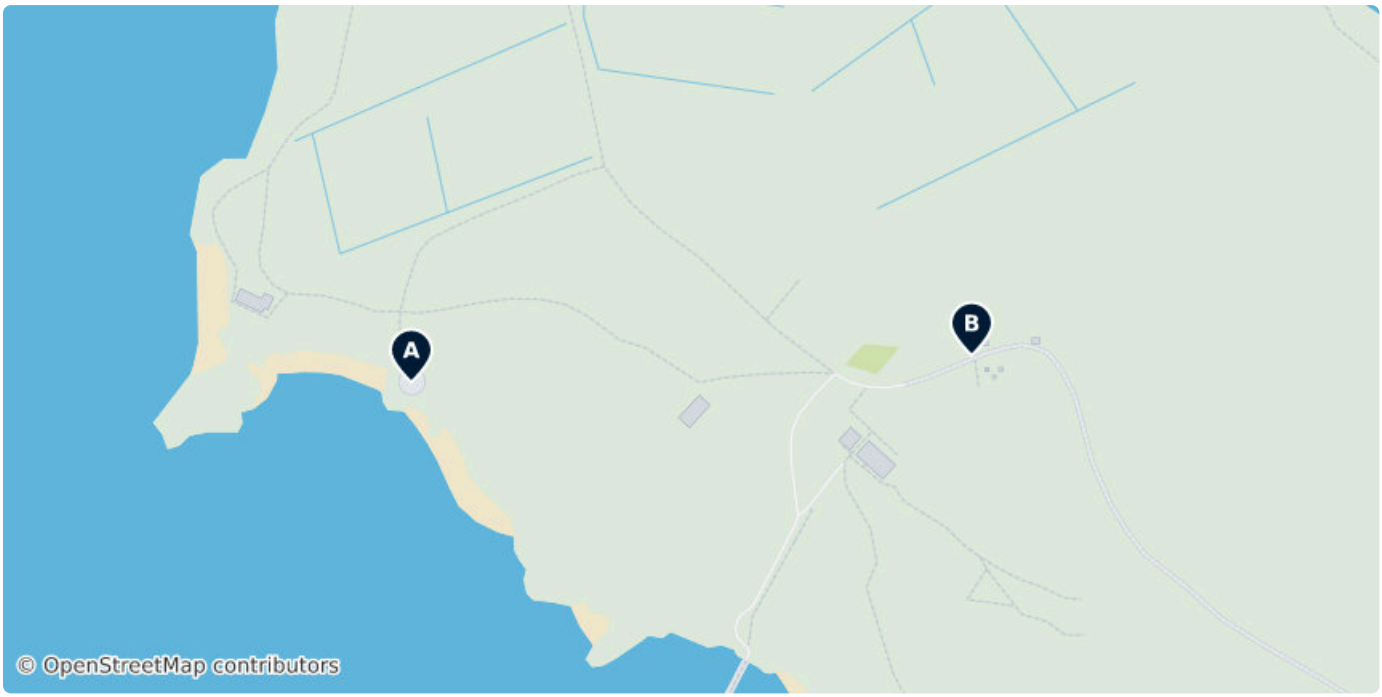

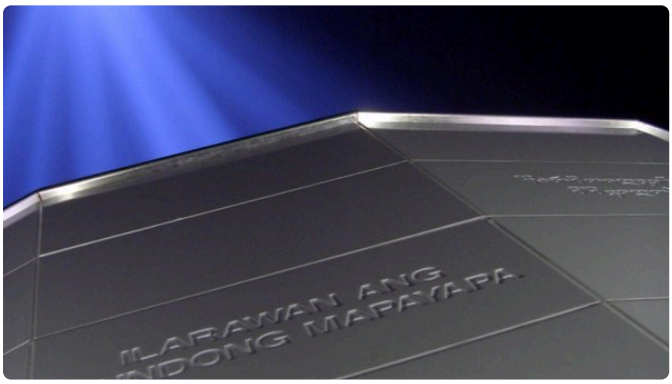

A Imagine Peace Tower

The Imagine Peace Tower is a memorial to John Lennon from his widow, Yoko Ono, located on Viðey Island in Kollafjörður Bay near Reykjavík,...

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B Videy Island

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