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Walked on the Svinafellsjokull Glacier this morning and it was fascinating and visually captivating!



This is an optional excursion that we are considering offering on the 2019 Icelandic Northern Lights Adventure, and it was awesome!



The massive Vatnajokull Glacier is the largest in Europe and it takes up a significant portion of southeastern Iceland.



Several sub-glaciers emerge off of Vatnajokull, and Svinafellsjokull is one of a few that you can take a guided walk upon.



With our guide Deiter, we donned crampons and grabbed our ice axes as we embarked on about a 2-hour journey on the ice, in what was an easier than expected activity.



Most of our travelers would be able to handle this activity as the crampons allow you to walk on the slick ice with no real problem.



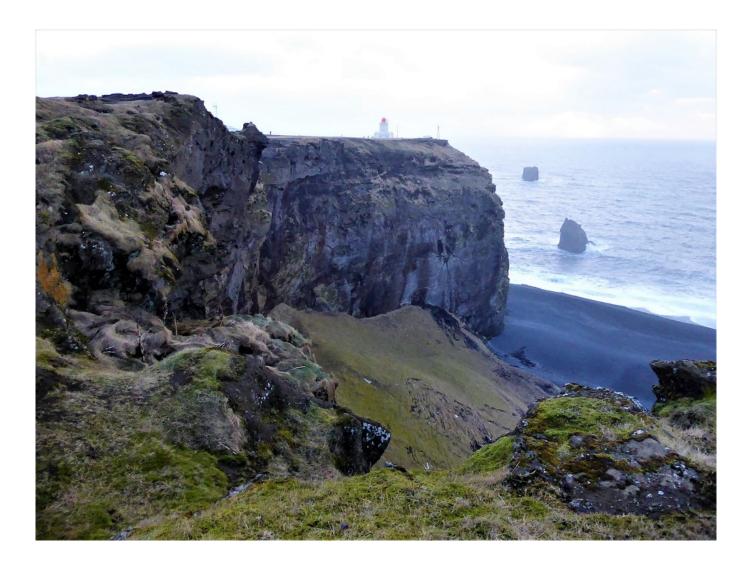
Witnessing a massive river of ice on foot is a special treat, and this was especially so today as we not only savored a glorious sunrise over the frozen terrain, but also had the chance to descend on foot into a crevasse to see the densely packed clear blue ice up close and personal.



Our day continued with a bit more adventure in the afternoon as we braved some stiff wind gusts (up to 70 mph) at Dyrholaey, an impressive promontory that juts out into the north Atlantic, boasting a sizable rock arch and jet black sand beaches.



Such a treat to see this wintertime wonder without anyone else around! Another full day of scouting in incredible Iceland!



We have over 50 travelers signed up for the Icelandic Northern Lights 2019 tour and may offer 2 departures in January and February of 2019. View details for Icelandic Northern Lights 2019. [/vc_column_text][vc_gallery interval="3" images="11114,11115,11117,11122,11127,11129,11131,11136,11123,11116,11126" img_size="large"][/vc_column][/vc_row]