



2018 International Coach Development Workshop — Iceland

FEBRUARY 19-25, 2018

Join Travel and Play this February for an exclusive look inside Iceland's top professional soccer clubs. This 6-day, 5-night coaches' tour features visits to four professional Icelandic soccer clubs — Garoabaer Stjarnan, Kopavogur Breidablik, FH Hafnarfjorour (current Icelandic Champions) and UFC Selfoss. With a population of 330,000 — and just 20,000 registered soccer players — Iceland has developed one of the best coaching education programs in the world. Their national teams compete on the world stage and the country consistently develops players that play professionally throughout the European Leagues.

While visiting each club, groups will meet with the head coach or technical director, and watch a variety of youth and professional training sessions and games, including both men's and women's teams. The tour also includes a visit to the Icelandic Football Association and classroom presentations detailing their coach education philosophy, talent-spotting initiatives, National Team development plan and lessons learned from EURO 2016. In addition, the youth technical director at Breidablik soccer club, Hakon Sverrisson, will present "Recruiting Icelandic players into the American Collegiate System".

Two sightseeing trips are included in the itinerary - "The Golden Circle Tour," which incorporates Thingvellir National Park, Gullfoss Waterfall and Geysir geothermal area and a visit to an Icelandic Geo-thermal pool.

TENTATIVE ITINERARY

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| <p>FEB 19 Depart USA/Canada.</p> | <p>FEB 23 Visit Breidablik, largest youth club in Iceland. Coaches game v. Icelandic Opposition. Meet youth and professional team head coach. Classroom presentation – Recruiting Icelandic Players into the American Collegiate system. Youth/senior team training. Game or Icelandic National Team practice.</p> |
| <p>FEB 20 Arrive Keflavik, Iceland. Transfer to Reykjavik Hotel. Hotel Check In. Visit Stjarnan FC, meet Technical Director. Youth and senior team training.</p> | <p>FEB 24 Sightseeing – 'Golden Circle Tour.' Visit Selfoss UMF. Youth/senior team training. Meet youth and professional team head coach. Free time in Reykjavik.</p> |
| <p>FEB 21 Visit Borgarholtsskoli, top sports school in Iceland. Visit FH Hafnarfjorour, meet Head Coach/Chairman. Youth/senior team training. Youth or professional game.</p> | <p>FEB 25 Youth team training – Breidablik or Stjarnan. Tour summary with Icelandic FA Technical Director. Transfer to Keflavik airport. Return flight to USA.</p> |
| <p>FEB 22 Visit Icelandic Football Association. Classroom presentations by IFA Technical Director and National Team Staff. Sightseeing – Geothermal Pool. Dinner with Icelandic Coaches Association.</p> | |

TOUR INFORMATION

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COACH EDUCATION

- Watch youth and senior field training sessions at four Icelandic professional clubs
- Watch a variety of youth and senior professional games
- Meet with the head coach or technical director at each club
- The majority of sessions will take place in full size indoor training centers
- Visit the Icelandic Football Association - Meet with their technical staff and National Team coaches
- Experience in depth presentations explaining Iceland's world class coach education program and talent spotting initiatives
- Spend an evening with the Icelandic Coaches Association
- Visit Iceland's most prestigious sports school "Borgarholtsskollinn"

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Hotel Fron – Reykjavik - 5 nights www.hotelfron.is
- Coaches stay in 2 bedroom apartments or double rooms
- Roommate requests will be accepted

SIGHTSEEING

- Golden Circle Tour (included)
- Visit Geo-Thermal Swimming Pool (included)

PRICING

- \$895.00 per person (does not include flight)
- Iceland Air, Delta and WOW airlines all fly to Iceland and prices are very reasonable in February
- If you are scheduled to take a Travel and Play tour to Europe in 2018 or book a tour for 2019, your coaches tour fee (\$895.00 – one per tour) will be fully refunded

INCLUSIONS

- 5 Nights hotel accommodation
- Breakfast daily
- Airport Transfers
- Private motor coach – as needed
- All coach education sessions
- Attend professional games (schedule dependent)
- Icelandic Tour guide – member of Icelandic FA
- Full-time Travel and Play staff support
- Dinner with Icelandic Coaches Association
- Sightseeing listed as included

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