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# WHALE WATCHING HAUGANES

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Carbon Neutral Tours

Whale + Puffin Watching

Whale Watching + Sea angling

Whale Watching



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# Welcome to WHALE WATCHING HAUGANES!



Árni  
Captain



Garðar  
Captain



Jóhann Geir  
Captain



## Hauganes has a special place in our hearts

We come from many generations of fishermen, born and raised here in Hauganes and have ourselves sailed the beautiful seas of Eyjafjörður fjord and around Iceland since in our teens.

The magic of the sea never ceases to amaze us, especially when we can wake up in the morning by the sound of blowing whales just a few minutes from the shore.

It will be our pleasure to have you as our guest and take you on our classic oak boats for a carbon neutral whale watching tour to remember from the village we all love.



Valdi  
Guide



Júlía  
Ticket sales - Guide



Rósa  
Ticket sales



Valur  
Guide



Soffía  
Info and booking



Smári  
Guide

### Árni and Garðar

Owners and passionate captains.



## Hauganes

### Hauganes

**Hauganes is a small fishing village on the northwest side of Eyjafjörður fjord.** A typical seaside village for this area, Hauganes is renowned for its beautiful natural environment and for its fishing industry which has been at its core for centuries.

**Hauganes is a retreat for those of us who long for peace and quietness.**

Listening to the ocean, the seabirds, the wind. The natural elements bring us tranquility we miss so much from our busy lifestyle. Hauganes will embrace you and help you find your inner voice and peace of mind.

### Whale watching Hauganes

**We are the oldest whale watching tour operator in Iceland** and started our regular tours back in 1989 when we allowed our guests to try their luck in sea angling. In 1993, when the whales started showing up in Eyjafjörður fjord in more numbers, it marked the beginning of our whale watching tours.

### Our crew

An old Icelandic saying goes, **“Peir fiska sem róá,”** meaning: **“In order to catch fish, you need to row.”** Our crew consists of professional fishermen and certified guides with decades of experience when it comes to fighting the elements and sailing the waters around Iceland. No worries though, **Eyjafjörður fjord is very calm during the summer season and well sheltered from the North Atlantic currents.** Our guides are fully trained and certified and will ensure that you will have a comfortable and informative tour.

### Our oak boats

**We operate two classic Icelandic oak boats,** Niels Jónsson EA 106, a 17,5m fishing boat, built of oak in 1974 and Whales EA 200, is a 21,5m fishing boat built in 1954. Both boats have enjoyed good maintenance, and are spacious, comfortable and extremely stable. As there are no generators on board **the engines can be turned off when approaching the whales** making the approach as gentle and nonintrusive as possible.

They are true beauties to behold and sail!

**You will find more information on Hauganes, our company, crew and boats on our homepage [www.whales.is](http://www.whales.is).**



# Our whale watching TOURS

Feb-May  
1 Feb - 14 May

May  
15 May - 31 May

Jun/Jul  
1 Jun - 4 Jul

Jul  
5 Jul - 15 Jul

Jul/Aug  
16 Jul - 1

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## Whales ahoy!

**We depart from Hauganes harbor in the heart of Eyjafjörður fjord.**

Our tour will quickly immerse you in the midst of the whale populations and rich sea life characteristic of the area. Whether the whales have ventured deep into the fjord or stay closer to Hrísey, they are always just a short trip away from Hauganes.

**Enjoy a comfortable ride** on our two classic Icelandic oak boats while observing the fantastic scenery, birdlife, and of course the diverse range of whale species of Eyjafjörður fjord.

**Commonly, we see Humpbacks, Minkes, Harbour Porpoises, and White-beaked Dolphins.** If you're lucky, you may even catch a glimpse of Orcas or Blue Whales! Enjoy a little sea angling on the return trip.

## Price

2026

	WHALE WATCHING	WHALE WATCHING AND SEA ANGLING TOURS	WHALE WATCHING AND PUFFIN TOURS
<b>Adults:</b>	12.700 ISK	12.700 ISK	14.700 ISK
<b>7-15 years old:</b>	6.350 ISK	6.350 ISK	7.350 ISK
<b>0-6 years old:</b> <i>Accompanied by parents</i>	Free	Free	Free



**WHALE WATCHING AND PUFFIN**   
 where you can enjoy a view of the Puffin tour

**WHALE WATCHING AND SEA ANGLING**   
 where you can enjoy a little sea angling on the return tour

**WHALE WATCHING ORIGINAL**   
 where we focus on whale watching for the complete tour

All tours can take 2,5 hours + - 30 min.

Aug	Aug	Aug-Oct	Oct/Nov	Dec/Jan
0 Aug	11 Aug - 25 Aug	26 Aug - 10 Oct	11 Oct - 30 Nov	1 Dec - 31 Jan

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- 99% success rate May-Dec 2025
- Scenic view
- Rich birdlife
- Sea angling for those interested

Book your tour through [www.whales.is](http://www.whales.is) and enjoy a 10% online booking discount in the process!

Use our exclusive promo code **10OFF** for a 10% discount on your booking.



### Included

- ✓ **WARM FLOTATION SUIT DURING TOUR**
- ✓ **REFRESHMENTS ON BOARD**  
 (COFFEE, HOT CHOCOLATE AND PASTRIES)

Those prone to sea sickness can ask our staff for sea sickness tablets free of charge. We include a sightseeing guarantee where if we don't spot whales in your tour you can get another tour free of charge.



**Sizes**  
 XS - 3XL and Children's sizes

# Eyjafjörður, a fjord full of life

Since we started our regular tours, we have seen several species of whales, fish and birds.

## Whales OF EYJAFJÖRÐUR FJORD



**Harbor Porpoise**  
(*Phocoena phocoena*)  
Hnísa  
2 m – 90 kg



**Killer Whale**  
(*Orcinus orca*)  
Háhyrningur  
10 m – 9 t

**White-beaked Dolphin**  
(*Lagenorhynchus albirostris*)  
Hnýðingur  
(höfrungategund)  
3 m – 370 kg



**Minke Whale**  
(*Balaenoptera acutorostrata*)  
Hrefna  
11 m – 11 t



**Humpback Whale**  
(*Megaptera novaeangliae*)  
Hnúfubakur  
19 m – 40 t

**Sei Whale**  
(*Balaenoptera borealis*)  
Sandreyður  
21 m – 45 t



**Blue Whale**  
(*Balaenoptera musculus*)  
Steypireyður  
33 m – 190 t

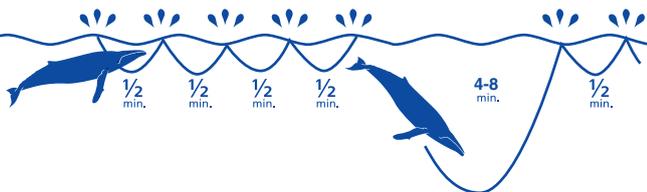


**Northern bottlenose whale**  
(*Hyperoodon ampullatus*)  
Andarnefja  
10 m – 8 t



**Long-finned pilot whale**  
(*Globicephala melas*)  
Grindhvalur, marsvín  
7 m – 3 t

Humpback diving pattern



# Life and beautiful scenery

In 1993 these are the most common birds we have spotted in the fjord

## Birds OF EYJAFJÖRÐUR FJORD

**Common Eider**  
(Somateria mollissima)  
Æðarfugl



**Black-headed Gull**  
(Larus ridibundus)  
Hettumáfur



**Mew Gull**  
(Larus canus)  
Stormmáfur



**Northern Gannet**  
(Morus bassanus)  
Súla

**Lesser black-backed Gull**  
(Larus fuscus)  
Sílamáfur



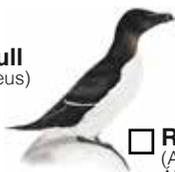
**Herring Gull**  
(Larus argentatus)  
Sílfurmáfur



**Iceland Gull**  
(Larus glaucoides)  
Bjartmáfur



**Glaucous Gull**  
(Larus hyperboreus)  
Hvitmáfur



**Razorbill**  
(Alca torda)  
Alka



**Atlantic Puffin**  
(Fratercula arctica)  
Lundi



**Black-legged Kittiwake**  
(Rissa tridactyla)  
Rita



**Black Guillemot**  
(Cepphus grylle)  
Teista



**Northern Fulmar**  
(Fulmarus glacialis)  
Fyll



**Great Cormorant**  
(Phalacrocorax carbo)  
Dílaskarfur

**Great Black-backed Gull**  
(Larus marinus)  
Svartbakur



**Arctic Skua**  
(Stercorarius parasiticus)  
Kjói

**Arctic Tern**  
(Sterna paradisaea)  
Kría

## Fish OF EYJAFJÖRÐUR FJORD



**Atlantic Cod** (Gadus morhua) Þorskur



**Haddock** (Melanogrammus aeglefinus) Ýsa



**Coalfish, Saithe (UK), Pollock (US)**  
(Pollachius virens) Úfsi



**Atlantic Wolffish** (Anarhichas lupus) Steinbitur



Minke Whale



Humpback Whale



White-beaked Dolphin



Blue Whale

Did you know Humpback Whales can dive up to 10 minutes, even longer?



Humpback Whale



## Hvalaskoðunar FERÐIR

Hvalaskoðunin á Hauganesi er elsta hvalaskoðun landsins og er staðsett í hjarta Eyjafjarðar. Við gerum út tvo klassíska íslenska eikarbáta sem þykja einkar stöðugir og þægilegir. Allar ferðir eru kolefnisjafnaðar sem felur í sér að við gróðursetjum tré fyrir hverja ferð til að vegna upp á móti kolefnisútblæstri ferðarinnar, ásamt því að við blöndum olíuna með lífdísli. Samarið 2022 sáum við hvali í 99% okkar ferða, þar á meðal hnúfubaka, hrefnur, hnísur, háhyrninga og steypireyðar. Hvalirnir voru að meðaltali í 25 mínútna fjarlægð frá Hauganesi og því stutt að berja þessar fallegu og jafnframt tignarlegu skepnur augum. Við hlökkum til að taka á móti þér!



## Whale watching TOURS

Whale Watching Hauganes is the oldest whale watching tour operator in Iceland. Located in North Iceland, in the heart of Eyjafjörður fjord, we operate two classic Icelandic oak boats, which offer an extremely comfortable and stable ride. All our tours are carbon neutral, i.e. we plant one tree for each whale watching tour, to compensate for the amount of carbon equivalent to our emissions. Besides, our oak boats run partially on biodiesel made from recycled cooking oil. In the summer of 2022, our sighting success rate was 99%, including Humpbacks, Minke, Harbour Porpoises, Orcas and Blue Whales. The whales can be reached in approximately 25 minutes sailing time from the village of Hauganes. You will not wait long to observe these magnificent and graceful creatures in their natural habitat. We look forward to welcoming you!



## Walbeobachtungen

Whale Watching Hauganes ist der älteste Walbeobachtungs-Touranbieter Islands. Im Norden von Island, im Herzen der Bucht von Eyjafjordur, betreiben wir zwei klassische Island Eichenboote, die eine sehr komfortable und sichere Fahrt anbieten. Alle unsere Fahrten sind Kohlenstoffneutral, denn für jede Walbeobachtungsfahrt, pflanzen wir einen Baum, um den Verbrauch wieder auszugleichen. Auch unsere Boote laufen teilweise mit Biodiesel, das aus recyceltem Frittierfett hergestellt ist. Im Sommer 2022, lag unsere Walbeobachtungsquote bei 99%, inklusive Buckelwale, Minkwale, Schweinswale, Orca und Blauwale. Die Wale können von Hauganes aus mit dem Boot in ca. 25 Minuten erreicht werden. Sie werden nicht lange warten müssen, um diese großartigen und anmutigen Geschöpfe in Ihrem natürlichen Habitat zu erleben. Wir freuen uns darauf, Sie bald willkommen zu heißen!



## Avistamiento DE BALENAS

Whale Watching Hauganes es la operadora de avistamiento de ballenas más antigua de Islandia. Localizado en el corazón de Eyjafjordur, al norte de Islandia, operamos con dos barcos islandeses de roble que ofrecen un viaje extremadamente cómodo y estable. Todas nuestras giras son neutrales en emisiones de carbono. Ej. plantamos 1 árbol por cada gira de avistamiento de ballenas, para compensar la cantidad de carbono equivalente a nuestras emisiones. Además, nuestros barcos de roble utilizan biodiesel, obtenido de aceite de cocina reciclado. En el verano de 2022, nuestra tasa de éxito de avistamientos fue de 99%, incluyendo ballenas jorobadas, Minke, Marsopas de puerto, Orcas y ballenas azules. No esperarás mucho para observar estas magníficas criaturas en su hábitat natural. ¡Esperamos darle la bienvenida pronto!



## observation DES BALEINES

Whale Watching Hauganes est le plus ancien tour opérateur d'observation des baleines en Islande. Basé dans le nord de l'Islande, au cœur de la baie d'Eyjafjordur, nous utilisons deux bateaux en chêne traditionnels, qui nous permettent d'offrir une traversée stable et extrêmement confortable. Nous plantons un arbre pour chacune de nos excursions, rendant ainsi leur empreinte carbone neutre. Nos bateaux naviguent grâce à un approvisionnement partiel en biodiesel provenant d'huile de cuisson recyclée. 99% de nos excursions de l'été 2022 ont permis l'observation de baleines : baleines à bosse, baleines de Minke, marsouins, orques et baleines bleues. Les premières baleines sont visibles après 25 minutes de traversée depuis le village de Hauganes. Il ne vous faudra pas attendre longtemps pour voir ces magnifiques créatures pleines de grâce évoluer dans leur environnement naturel. Nous sommes impatients de vous les faire découvrir!



## 赏鲸

"Whale Watching Hauganes" 是冰岛最古老的一家提供观鲸服务的供应商。Hauganes位于冰岛的北部以及Eyjafjordur湾的中心。我们旗下的两艘质量卓越的冰岛橡木船，确保游客的每次出行都有着舒适安逸的体验。为了保障冰岛当地优美的自然环境，我们每次出船后，都会种植一棵绿树，以抵消航行所产生的碳排放。不仅如此，航线所用的部分燃料还是循环利用了厨房的烹饪用油。在夏季，我们的观鲸成功率高达 99%。你可以观赏到的鲸鱼种类，包括座头鲸，小须鲸，鼠海豚，虎鲸以及蓝鲸。从Hauganes渔村出发，前往观鲸初大概需要 21 分钟。你无需等待长途跋涉，就能观赏到这地球上庞大哺乳动物的曼妙身姿。

Carbon Neutral Tours



Breaching Humpback Whale

Did you know Humpback milk is 50% fat and pink in color.



# Our tours are carbon neutral



## Carbon emissions play an ever-increasing role in environmental issues such as climate change

With **our carbon neutral program**, conducted in accordance with and in cooperation with local authorities, we neutralize the carbon emissions, we create through **our special Whale Forest forestry plan**. To compensate for the amount of carbon equivalent to our emissions, we offset our carbon dioxide emissions by **planting one tree for each whale watching tour**. Besides, our oak boats run partially on biodiesel made from recycled cooking oil.

You can, therefore, be assured that **by travelling with Whale Watching Hauganes you minimize your carbon footprint**.

Good for you and of course fantastic for the environment!



Tail-slapping Humpback Whale, white tail fin



Fluking Humpback Whale, dark tail fin



Spouting Humpback Whale

# Also in Hauganes



## BACCALÁ BAR RESTAURANT

At Baccalá Bar you can sit down and enjoy the fantastic view of Eyjafjörður fjord while enjoying a good meal before or after your tour.

☎ 620 1035 | ✉ [baccalabar2023@gmail.com](mailto:baccalabar2023@gmail.com)



## CAMPING HAUGANES

Within walking distance of the Hauganes harbor is Camping Hauganes. With a fantastic view to the south and close to the beach the campsite is equipped with a service station and good facilities for campers and trailers.



## HAUGANES HOT TUBS - BY THE BEACH

Relax in the unique hot tubs of Hauganes by the black beach with a breathtaking view to the south. Here you will find showers and a changing room. Your unique chance to take a swim in Eyjafjörður fjord.



## SELÁ RETREAT

Selá is a beautifully converted farm house from 1936. Perfectly positioned right by the sea. We have been operating as a guest house and artist retreat since 2016, housing intrepid travellers and artists seeking inspiration.

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"Wonderful whale-watching experience"

"This was a real highlight of my trip to Iceland and I highly recommend it!"

JS - 5 out of 5 -  
Reviewed Oct. 2021

## Why choose whale watching Hauganes?

- ✓ Oldest whale watching in Iceland
- ✓ Classic Icelandic oak boats
- ✓ Experienced captains and certified guides
- ✓ Carbon neutral tours
- ✓ Based in Hauganes, the beautiful fishing village by the sea
- ✓ Whale Watching & Sea Angling

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