

This is Iceland

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H-fant*

Þórkatla Þyrí 5 ára

Sports Iceland



Aníta Hinriksdóttir varð heims- og Evrópumeistari í 800 m hlaupi ungmenna árið 2013, aðeins 17 ára. Hún keppir í flokki 19 ára og yngri.

Aníta Hinriksdóttir was world- and European champion in the 800 m run for youths 17 years and younger.

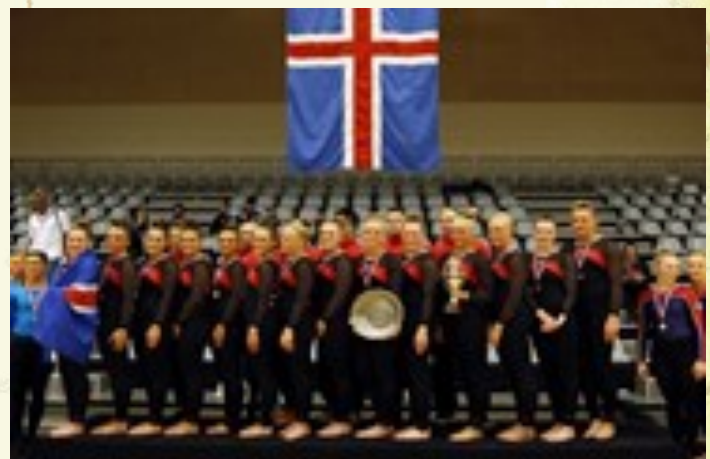


Íslenska karlalandsliðið í handbolta náði 2. sæti á Ólympíuleikunum í Kína árið 2008.

Our Icelandic men's **handball** team won the silver medal in the **Olympic games** in China 2008.

Stelpurnar í fimleikafélaginu Gerplu urðu 2011 bæði Evrópu- og Norðurlandameista í hópfimleikum. Þær eru núverandi Norðurlandameistarar árið 2014.

The girls team in **groupgymnastics** were European-and Scandinavian champions in 2011. And they are this years Scandinavian champions .





***Björk Guðmundsdóttir** er Íslenskur söngvari og lagahöfundur. Hún hefur komið nokkrum lögum á topp 10 vinsældarlista í Bretlandi. Hún hefur einnig unnið til fjölda verðlauna bæði fyrir plötur sínar og tónlistar myndbönd og vakið mikla athygli fyrir sinn sérstaka söng. Plötur hennar hafa selst í yfir 15 milljónum eintaka.*

Björk Guðmundsdóttir is an Icelandic singer-songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and producer. Three of Björk's 1990s singles charted in the UK Top 10 ("It's Oh So Quiet" reached number 4, "Army of Me" number 10, and "Hyperballad" number 8). She has won four BRIT Awards, four MTV Video Music Awards, one MOJO Award, three UK Music Video Awards and the Polar Music Prize from the Royal Swedish Academy of Music. She has sold more than 15 million albums worldwide.

Musicians Iceland



*Hljómsveitina **Of Monsters and Men** skipa 5 hljómsveitameðlimi, þau Nönnu, Ragga, Brynjar, Arnar og Kristján. Þau eru fræg um víða veröld. Þau unnu Evrópsku Border Breakers verðlaunin árið 2013.*

Of Monsters and Men is a indie folk-pop band from Iceland, formed in 2010. The members are lead singer/guitarist Nanna Bryndís Hilmarsdóttir, co-singer-guitarist Ragnar "Raggi" Þórhallsson, guitarist Brynjar Leifsson, drummer Arnar Rósenkranz Hilmarsson and bass player Kristján Páll Kristjánsson. They are famous all over the world. Of Monsters and Men won the 2013 European Border Breakers Awards.



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History Iceland



Landnám Íslands er talið vera á 8 öld. Flestir landnámsmenn komu frá Noregi og komu hingað vegna plássleysis í Noregi og eða voru að flýja undan Norska konunginum Haraldi Hárfagra. Ingólfur Arnarson er jafnan talinn fyrsti landnámsmaður Íslands.

The settlement of Iceland is generally believed to have begun in the second half of the 9th century, when Norse settlers migrated across the North Atlantic. The reasons for the migration may be traced to a shortage of arable land in Scandinavia, and civil strife brought about by the ambitions of the Norse king Harald the Fair-haired. Iceland was an unsettled land, and could be claimed without warring on the inhabitants. The first settler of Iceland is believed to have been **Ingólfur Arnarson**.



Allt fram á 19. öld bjuggu flestir í torfbæjum þar sem skortur var á góðu timbri til bygginga.

Until the 19th century most people lived in houses made from turf and stone because of a shortage for good timber.



Garðahús á Akranesi var byggt árið 1876 og er talið elsta steinhúsið á Íslandi.

Garðahús in Akranes was built in 1876 and is considered to be the oldest concrete building in Iceland.



Famous people Iceland



Vigdís Finnbogadóttir born 15 April 1930 served as the fourth **President of Iceland** from 1980 to 1996. In addition to being both Iceland's and **Europe's first female president**, she was the world's first democratically elected female head of state. In addition she also was a divorced single mother. With a presidency of exactly sixteen years, she also remains the longest-serving, elected female head of state of any country to date. Currently, she is a UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador, and a Member of the Club of Madrid.

Vigdís Finnbogadóttir var fyrsta konan í heiminum sem var kjörin forseti í þjóðaratkvæðagreiðslu. Hún var einstæð móðir og tók við embætti forseta Íslands 29. júní 1980 og lét af embætti árið 1996. Vigdís hefur verið sæmd heiðursdoktorsnafnbót við 15 háskóla víða um heim. Hún hefur um árabil gengt starfi velgjörðarsendiherra tungumála hjá Mennigarmála-stofnun UNESCO. Við Háskóla Íslands er alþjóðleg tungumálamiðstöð, Stofnun Vigdísar Finnbogadóttur. Núna er sýning á Íslandi þar sem er verið að sýna fatnaðinn sem Vigdís Finnbogadóttir kom fram í við hin ýmsu tækifæri sem



News Iceland



Gamlársdagur er í vestrænni menningu síðasti dagur almanaksársins á Gregoríska tímatalinu. Á gamlárskvöldi er minnst hins liðna árs og litið fram til hins nýja. Flestir taka þátt í að skjóta upp fugeldum, skála og gera sér glaðan dag.

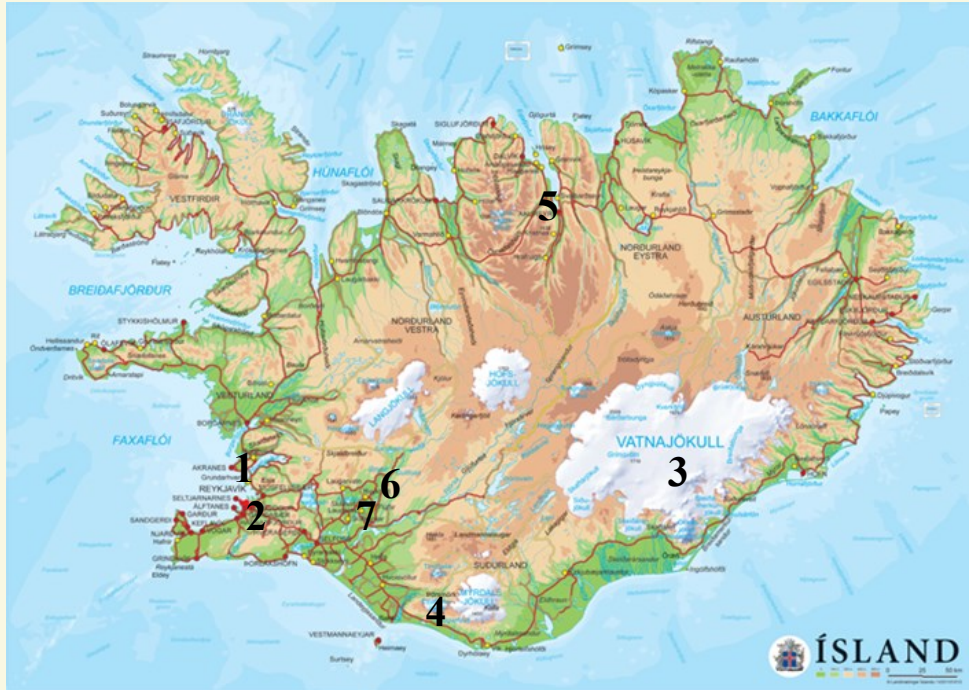
In the Gregorian calendar, the last day of the year, is December 31. In Iceland **New Year's Eve** is celebrated with parties long into the night. Nearly Every household host their own show of fireworks creating a unique spectacle famous the world over, the sky over every town being



Friðarsúlan er útilistaverk eftir Yoko Ono reist í Viðey í minningu John Lennons. Listaverkið var vígt á afmæli Johns Lennons þann 9. október 2007. Friðarsúlan er tákn fyrir baráttu Ono og Lennons fyrir heimsfriði.

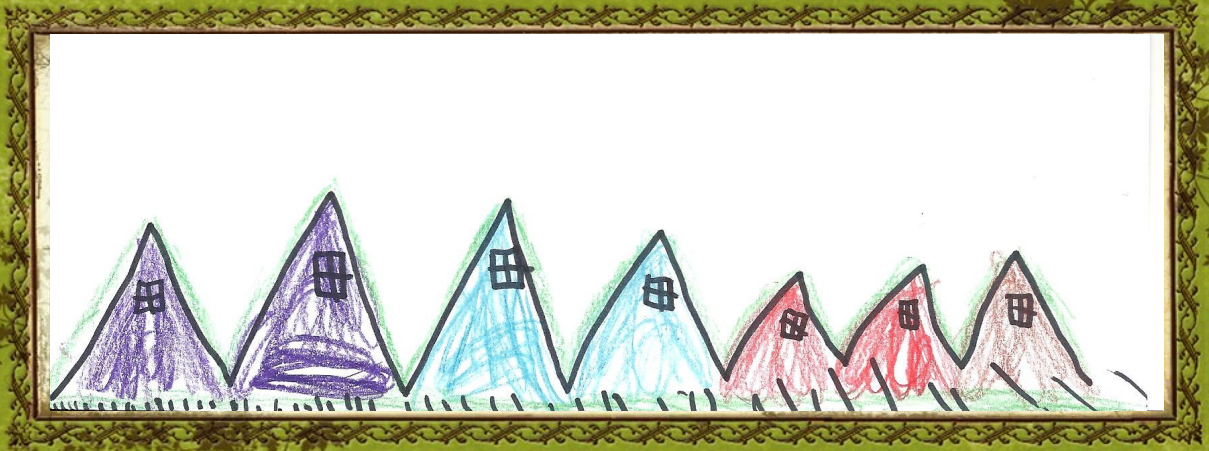
The **Imagine Peace Tower**, "the peace column", is a memorial to **John Lennon** from **Yoko Ono**, located in Viðey, an island just off the coast of Reykjavik. It is a tower of light, reaching into the sky, projected from a white stone monument that has the words "Imagine Peace" carved into it in 24 languages.

Geography Iceland

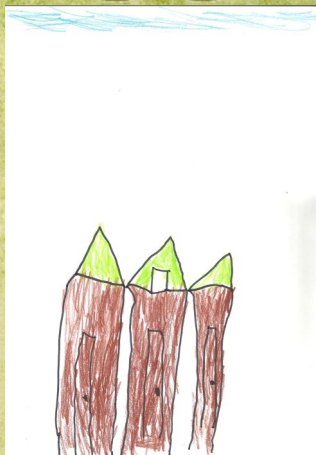


Á **Akranesi** búa um 6600 manns. Höfuðborgin heitir **Reykjavík** og þar búa um 120 þúsund manns. **Vatnajökull** er stærstur jökla í Evrópu. **Eyjafjallajökull** hefur gosið fimm sinnum og seinast árið 2010. **Akureyri** er oft nefnd höfuðstaður norðurlands og þar búa um 17.700 manns. **Gullfoss** og **Geysir** eru vinsælustu ferðamannastaðir á Íslandi.

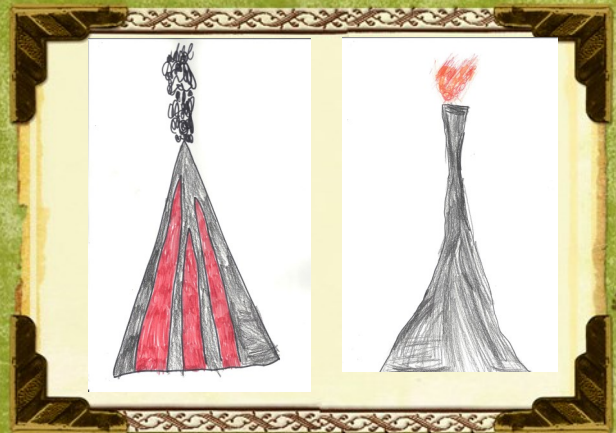
1. **Akranes**, our town, has a population of around 6,600.
2. **Reykjavík** is Iceland's capital and largest city with 120.000 inhabitants. Its latitude, at 64°08' N, makes it the world's northernmost capital of a sovereign state.
3. **Vatnajökull**, is Europe's largest glacier,
4. **Eyjafjallajökull** volcano has erupted six times, in 920, 1612 and again from 1821 to 1823. It erupted twice in 2010, causing havoc to air traffic all over Europe.
5. **Akureyri** is a town in northern Iceland, an important port and fishing centre, with a population of 17,754.
6. **Gullfoss** is a big waterfall and one of the most popular tourist attractions in the country.
7. **Geysir**, Iceland's largest geyser, can hurl a column of boiling water 70 metres in the air.



Elin Birna 5 ára



Gestur Ólafur 6 ára



Jökull Viktor 5 ára og Aldís Ósk 6 ára