

Battle Hill Lodge

All Essential Information for Your Trip
2026



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1. The Lodge

The Lodge

Battle Hill Lodge is an old renovated farmhouse located in the southeastern part of Iceland by the River Þverárvatn/Fossálar, 15 minutes away from the town of Kirkjubæjar-klaustur.



The Lodge

There are six rooms at Battle Hill Lodge, four twin and two single. The twin rooms are spacious with all the comfort of everyday life. Anglers describe the vibe in the lodge as “cozy”, which it certainly is.



The Lodge

Full board meals are served every day, breakfast to start the day, packed lunch by the river in the noon, and a home made dinner in the evening after a long day of fishing.

A small selection of wine and beer can be purchased at the lodge, but there are no hard liquors served on location. Anglers are welcome to bring some if they like.



Typical Rotation Day at the Lodge

8 AM: Breakfast

9 AM: Head out for fishing

1 PM: Packed lunch by the
river

6 PM: Back to lodge

7:30 PM: Dinner

Fishing hours are
dependent on weather and
can change on the day of
fishing. Guides will have
the final say if it is safe to
go fishing.



2. General Information about the BHL System and Species

General Information about the BHL System

The BHL system is made up of three rivers, Vatnamót, Geirlandsá and Fossálar. Together they all form the mighty glacial river Skaftá. There is a total of 12 rods in the system.



Species in the System

There are five different types of freshwater species in the BHL system. Mainly sea trout, but Salmon, Brown Trout, Sea Run Arctic Char, and Arctic Char are also found in the system but in way less numbers than Sea Trout. All fish should be released and handled with extreme care.

Sea Run Trout - 15-40 inches in length



North Atlantic Salmon - 18-40 inches in length



Brown Trout - 10-25 inches in length



Sea Run Arctic Char - 12-24 inches in length



Arctic Char - 12-24 inches in length



3. Rivers and Beats

Geirlandsá

Geirlandsá is believed to be the main spawning tributary of the Skaftá river. It is often called the most beautiful sea trout river in Iceland.

The river runs in a volcanic area so you will both experience fishing in lava fields and black sands surrounded with glaciers. This area will allow you to fish with both double-handed rods and swing flies as well as nymphing through some extremely beautiful pools with a single-handed rod.



Vatnamót

Vatnamót means “River Junction” in Icelandic. This place is often called the junction of junctions in Iceland. This is where the Fossaálar, Geirlandsá, and Hörksá rivers meet the mighty Skaftá.

Vatnamót is a big river that will require some wading.



Fossálar

Fossálar is an extremely beautiful river and it has diverse pools. Part of the Fossálar river is on Unesco's natural heritage list, so you can imagine the beauty of the landscape in this area.

Fossálar has 34 marked pools in a 10 km stretch.



4. Packing List

Sea Trout Fishing

Rods and Reels

Floating/intermediate lines

Good to have sink tips (S1-3, S3-5)

Large arbor reels with a strong brake

Double hand rods 11-14' #6-9

Single hand rods 9-10' #7-8 for streamers

Single hand rods 9-10' #5-6 for nymphing

Single hand rods 11-13' #3-5 for euro nymphing



Flies – Streamers

Black Ghost



Sunray Shadow



Super Tinsel



Dentist



Nobbler



Frances



We encourage anglers to bring their own flies in different colours and sizes

Flies – Nymphs

Pheasant Tail



Peeping Caddis



Sexy Walt's



Squirmy Wormy



Pat's Rubber Legs



Copper John Rubberlegs



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Clothes and Layers

It can be both warm and cold in Iceland, especially in the spring and fall, so we recommend bringing appropriate layers. Our rule of thumb is rather take off layers than having to add them on. The water in Iceland is usually cold and if there is lots of wading involved, it can get really cold really quick. These are our suggestions:

Base Layer: Wool, wool socks

Mid Layer: Fleece/Wool

Outer Layer: Primaloft

Outmost Layer: Waders, shoes, jacket, cap/hat, sunglasses, and gloves

Gloves, wool socks, caps, sunglasses, and more accessories can be purchased at Battle Hill Lodge.



5. Packages

Packages

Slots in Battle Hill Lodge are exclusively six days long where anglers get two days per each river with a guide.

A shuttle transports anglers from Reykjavík to Battle Hill Lodge and back.

Spring season: 15th of April - 10th of May

Fall season: 27th of August - 20th of October



2026 Dates

Spring

April 15 - April 21

April 21 - April 27

April 27 - May 3

May 3 - May 9

May 9 - May 15

Fall

August 27 - September 2

September 2 - September 8

September 8 - September 14

September 14 - September 20

September 20 - September 26

September 26 - October 2

October 2 - October 8

October 8 - October 14

October 14 - October 20



6. Other General Information

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Tipping Guidelines:

Guides: \$50-100 per day

Lodge Staff: (\$50-70) per room per day

If you are extremely happy with the service, higher tipping is welcomed

Tips should be in the form of cash

All foreign used fishing equipment **must be disinfected before being used in Iceland**. Disinfection can be done at the Keflavik Airport or the guides at Battle Hill Lodge can assist with that process.

Fishing in the BHL system is fly only and catch and release.

Shuttle and Shuttle Schedule

A shuttle goes from the capital region to Battle Hill Lodge during transitions. The shuttle will pick you up at the hotel you are staying at and drop you off at a drop off location of your choosing.

Shuttle schedule:

9 AM: Departure from

Keflavík Airport

10 AM: Departure from

Reykjavík

1:30 PM: Arrival at Battle
Hill Lodge



7. Contact Information

Contact Information

General inquiries should be sent to info@fishpartner.com

Additional information can be found on www.fishpartner.com



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