



## ISLEK 50 years

ISLEK is a little festival with a big focus on Nordic culture.

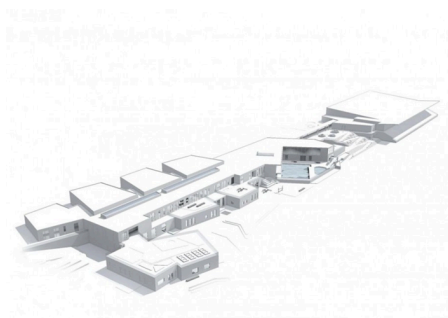
We warmly invite all members of the association to celebrate the 50th anniversary of ISLEK with us in Iceland next year.

The Nordic dance and music festival, ISLEK2025, will be held July 14th to 20th, 2025 in Úlfarsárdalur, Reykjavík, Iceland in collaboration with Nordlek.

The festival is open for all members of Nordlek as well as others who are interested in Nordic folk culture.

Þjóðdansafélag Reykjavíkur (Reykjavik Folk Dance Association) has arranged ISLEK 8 times since 1975 with each festival hosting around 160 to 350 participants. Many have made memories and friendships which stand to this day.

We invite all folk dancers and folk musicians to a week-long gathering of exuberant dancing, jams, courses, Nordic dance evenings, ballads, historical dances, and folk costumes, all culminating in a gala dinner. In addition, there will be demonstrations of dance and music in the Arbæjarsafn museum and in the Reykjavik area.



There will also be an exhibition of Icelandic costumes and handicrafts in collaboration with [Heimilisiðnaðarfélag Íslands](#) (the Icelandic Handicraft Association), lectures on Icelandic folk music and costume, and nature and local artisan excursions.

## Overnight Accommodation and Festival Area

Overnight accommodation (food and board) are available from the festival in Dalskoli, a local primary school. Meals are served onsite in a large dining room.

The school features plenty of room for dancing as well as a music studio. Adjoining there is a cultural center and swimming and sports hall with indoor and outdoor pool, sauna, jacuzzi, and slide.



Parking is available onsite.

## How do you get to Iceland?

You can arrive to Iceland by air or by boat:

A number of airlines fly to and from the Nordic countries, sometimes with a few departures/day. It is cheapest to check flights via a search engine on the internet, for example, Skyscanner. The international

airport is located in Keflavik, approx. 45 minutes from the capital, and buses run regularly between the two. It is not necessary to book these in advance, however for larger groups, hiring a private bus may be more economical. There are a number of private bus companies which can be found and booked online. Additionally, there are car rental services at the airport and we recommend booking these in advance.

If you have extra time and would like to bring your own car, you can take the boat, Norröna, from Denmark or the Faroe Islands to Seydisfjörður (approx. 8 hours drive from the capital area). There are a number of interesting sites and accommodation along the way.

We hope that as many people as possible come to Iceland and enjoy bright summer nights and magnificent nature with us!

More information about registration, program, travel, festival fee, accommodation, and food costs will soon be available on our website.



With warm greetings from

ISLEK2025 board

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