

Djúpavík, Westfjords, Iceland

One of the world's most remote cruise calls. A handful of residents, a cathedral-sized herring factory, a tumbling waterfall, and silence so total it rings — Djúpavík is what the edges of the earth actually feel like.

-  Tender (Zodiac landing)
-  Typical call: 4–6 hrs
-  Cashless (card only)
-  Icelandic / English
-  Expedition ships only

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — Zodiacs to a small concrete pier below the factory

Walk to centre: 1–2 min; everything is within 500 m of the landing

Best for: Industrial history, photography, dramatic Arctic landscapes

Don't miss: Inside the old herring factory and the Djúpavíkurfoss waterfall hike

 Getting around:

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Old Herring Factory Guided Tour** — Step inside the largest concrete building built in Iceland in the 1930s.
- Djúpavíkurfoss Waterfall Hike** — A 5-minute walk from the pier reaches the base of this dramatic waterfall tumbling from the cliffs above the village.
- Krossneslaug Geothermal Pool** — One of Iceland's most celebrated remote pools at Krossnes, set right on the edge of a stony beach with geothermal water and open ocean views.
- Hotel Djúpavík & Local History** — The former female workers' dormitory is now a cosy hotel filled with period photos, antique furniture, and Icelandic warmth.
- MS Suðurland Shipwreck & Shoreline Walk** — A rusting ship's hull rests on the shoreline just a few minutes' walk from the pier.

BEST WALKS

- Village Loop: Factory, Waterfall & Shipwreck** 1.5 km · 30–40 min · Easy · Free — From the tender pier walk straight ahead to the herring factory entrance (50 m), then follow the path behind the factory to the base of Djúpavíkurfoss waterfall (250 m).
- Waterfall Summit Trail** 2 km return · 60–90 min · Moderate (steep) · Free — From the waterfall base a marked trail climbs steeply to the plateau above.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Layer up, always. The Westfjords can deliver rain, wind, and 5 °C even in July. Waterproof jacket, warm mid-layer, and waterproof hiking boots are non-negotiable.
- Cash is useless here. Iceland is virtually cashless — bring any major debit or credit card for the factory tour and hotel café.
- Factory tours fill fast. If your ship doesn't pre-book, head straight to Hotel Djúpavík on landing and join the queue — group size is limited.
- Respect the residents. Only a handful of people live here year-round. Do not photograph private homes close-up or peer through windows.
- Restrooms are limited. Facilities are inside the factory (tour guests) and at Hotel Djúpavík. If you use the hotel's, buy a coffee — it's polite and delicious.
- Sigur Rós played here. In 2006 the Icelandic band performed a legendary free concert inside one of the factory's circular oil tanks, filmed in their documentary Heima. Look for the tank.

Djúpavík, Westfjords, Iceland — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1 Djúpavík Visit the historic abandoned herring factory and its surroundings.

P Cruise port / terminal