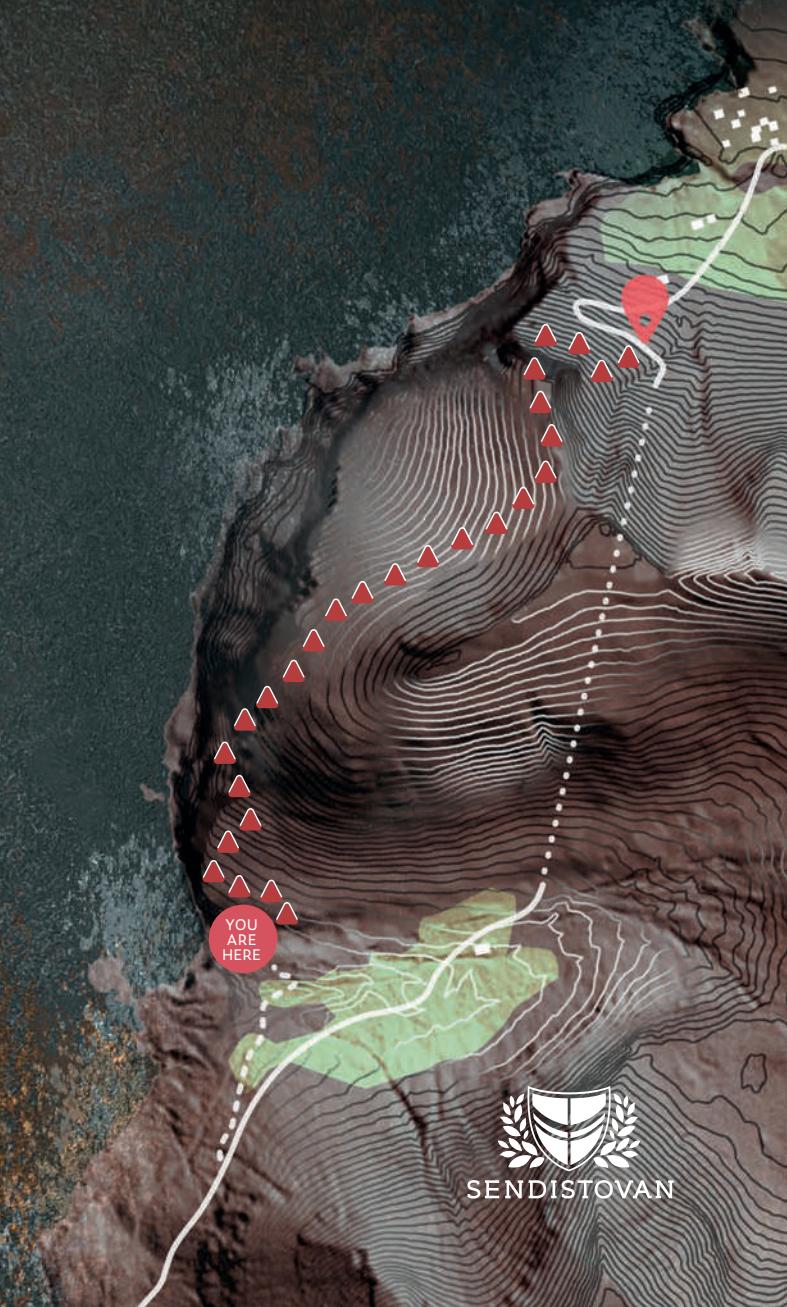


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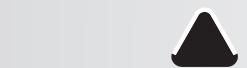
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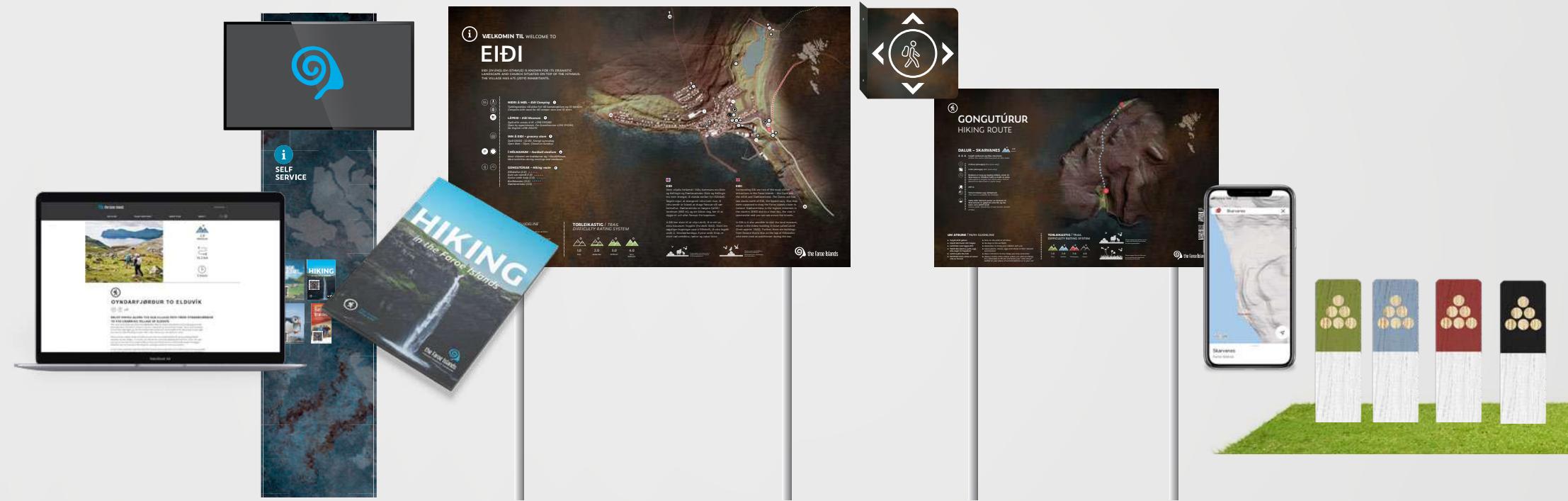
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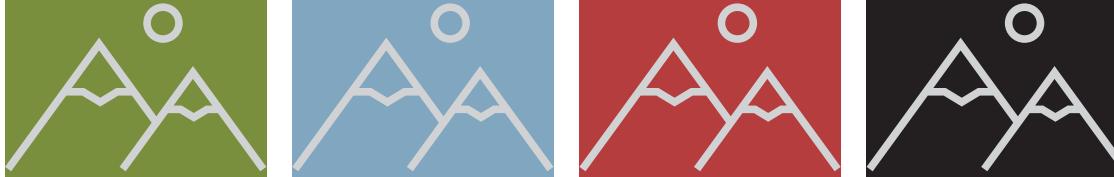


A wide-angle photograph of a coastal landscape. In the foreground, several people wearing outdoor gear are walking along a grassy, rocky hillside that slopes down towards a body of water. A large, prominent rock formation sits on the hillside in the lower right. In the middle ground, across the water, is a rugged island with a distinct, rocky peak. The background shows more hills and a cloudy sky.

# GONGUTÚRAR TORLEIKASTIG

## » TORLEIKASTIG

Torleikastig á gongutúrum skal  
framyvir greinast í litum.  
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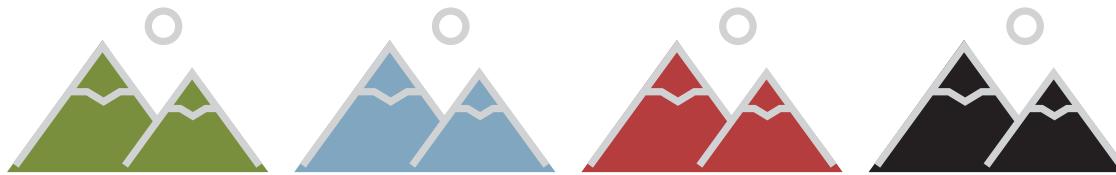
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Challenging

4.0  
Expert

## » TORLEIKASTIG

Litsamanseting á torleika  
piktogramm á prentlutum.



1.0

Easy

2.0

Medium

3.0

Challenging

4.0

Expert

C:40 M:10 Y:85 K:30

C:0 M:0 Y:0 K:20

C:50 M:25 Y:15 K:0

C:0 M:0 Y:0 K:85

C:10 M:85 Y:70 K:20

C:0 M:0 Y:0 K:100

## » TORLEIKASTIG

Litsamanseting á torleika  
piktogramm á bygda- og  
gongutúraskeltum.



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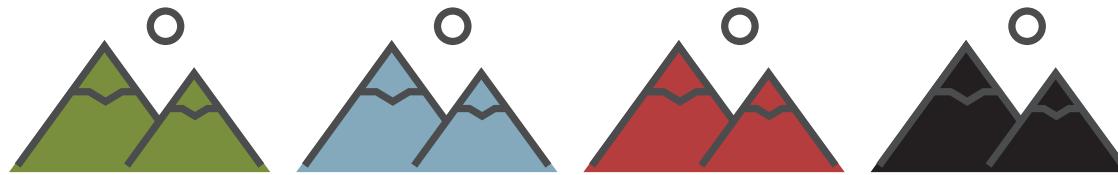
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## » TORLEIKASTIG

Litsamanseting á torleika  
pikrogramm á alnótini.



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# GONGUTÚRAR STEYRAR



## » STEYRAR

Steyrin verður grundaður hvítur, soleiðis at teir fýra litirnir standa sterkari.



## » STEYRAR

Litsamanseting á steyrum  
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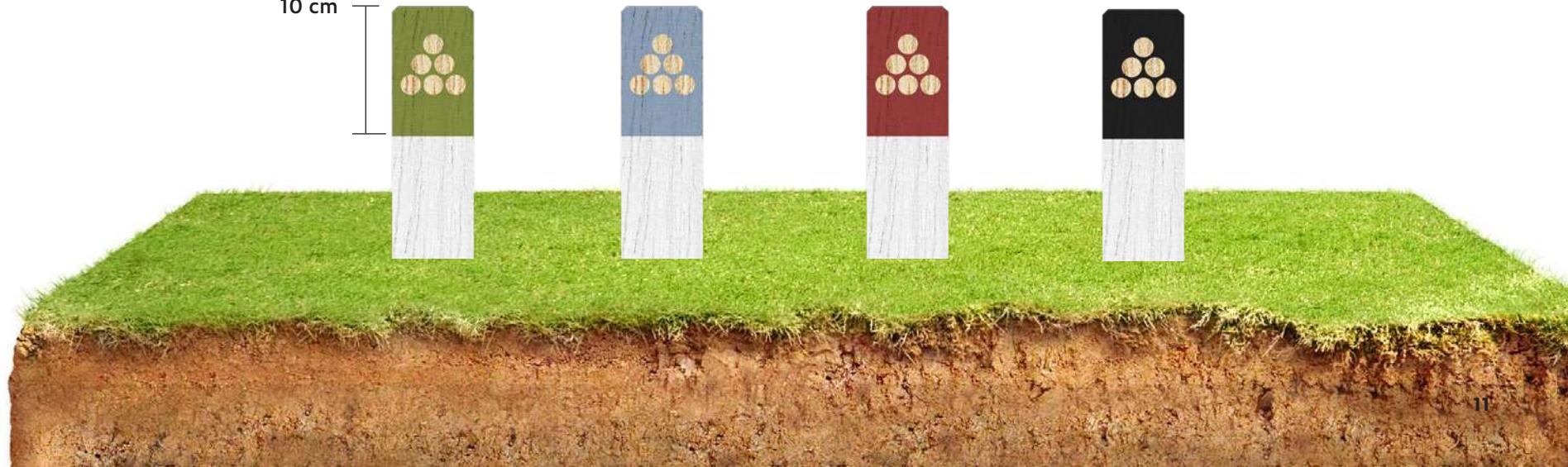
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## » STEYRAR

50 cm

60 cm



### TVÆR STØDDIR

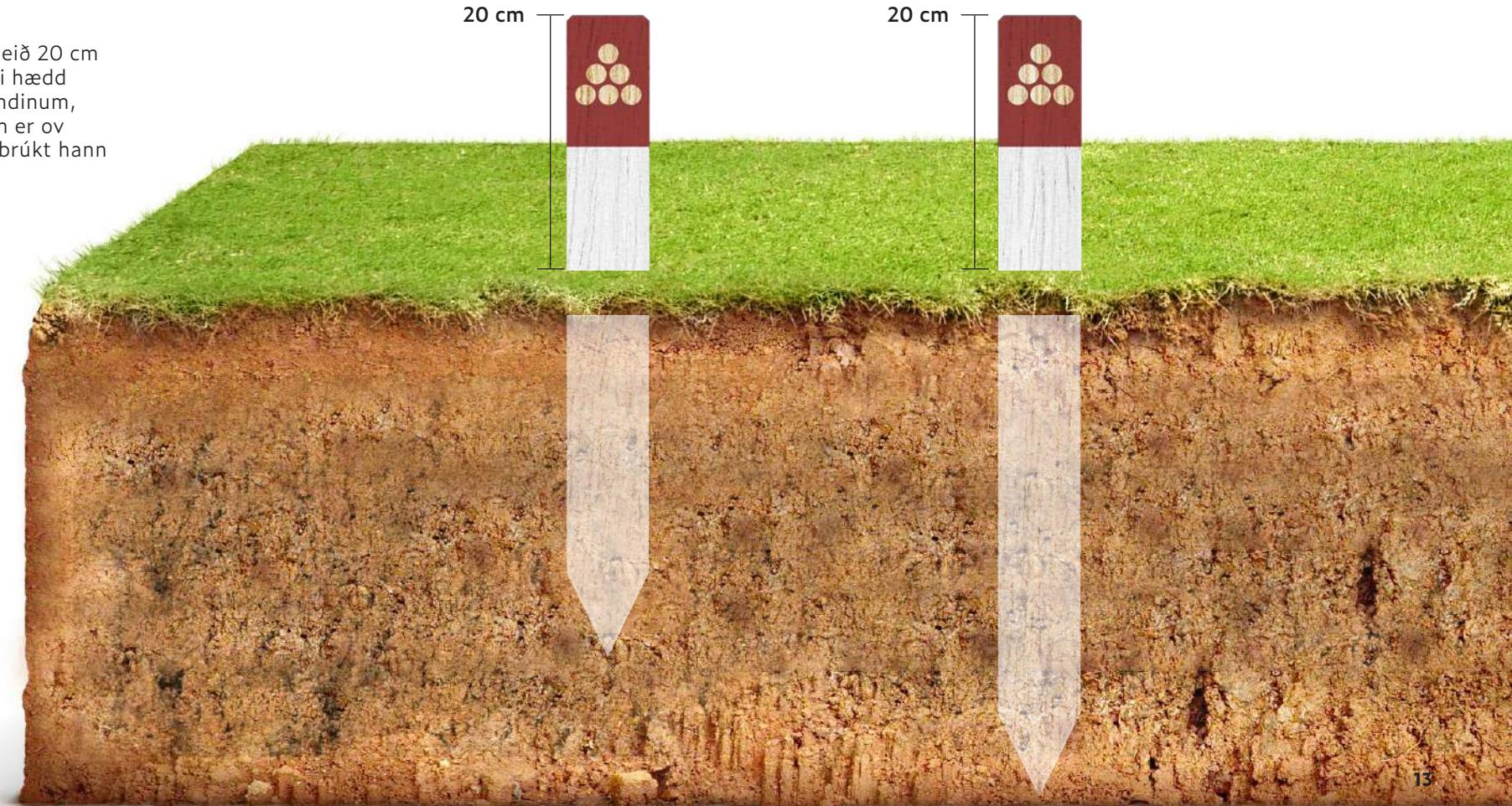
Steyrarnir eru í tveimum hæddum. Støddirnar eru 50 og 60 cm.

Val av stødd er treytað av, hvussu djúpt lendið er.

## » STEYRAR

### NIÐURSETING

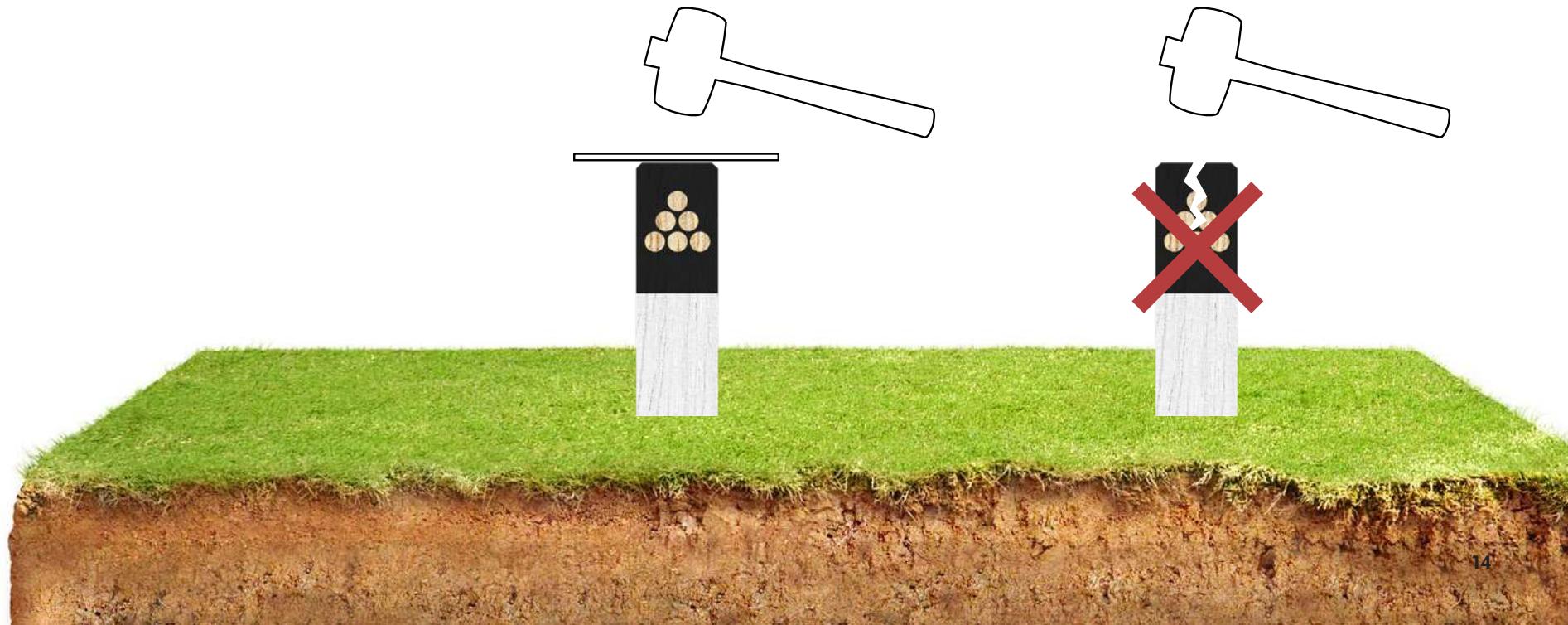
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## » STEYRAR

### NIÐURSETING

Brúka eina lítlia sleggju at sláa steyan niður í bøin. Hav eitthvört ímillum sleggju og steyra tá tú slært, soleiðis at steyrin ikki verður skammfílaður og haldföri harvið minkar.





GONGUTÚRAR  
**SKELTI**

## » SKELTI

### GREIÐARI LEISTUR

Ein einfaldari og greiðari leistur, at vísa samanhang millum steyrar, rutu og torleikastig.



## » SKELTI

### DAGFØRINGAR

Skeltini verða dagförd við nýggjum torleikastigum og nýggjari rututekning.



## GONGUTÚRUR HIKING ROUTE

### DALUR - SKARVANES

2.0  
Medium

Fylgið varðunum og bláu steyrinum  
Follow the cairns and blue post on this route

2 tímar (einvegis) 2hrs (one way)

4 km (einvegis) 4km (one way)

Brekkan er lang og lægslig niðaná, óman til  
Skarvanes er brekkan nokk so brett at enda  
Hike uphill is lengthy but fairly easy. End of descent to Skarvanes is quite steep

297 m

Túrin hóskar seg við börnum  
The route is suitable for children

Valla slöð. Seinasti partur av túrinum til  
Skarvanesar er gjögnum eina líð, og har  
kann vera vælt í endi  
Grassy path. Possibility of wet terrain at end of hike

### UM ATBURÐ / PATH GUIDELINE

- Fylgið altið götuni
- Havði ikki hund við í hagan
- Latði ikki rusk liggja eftir
- Takki ikki plantur, grót, egg ella ungar úr haganum
- Latði seyðin fáa frið
- Farð ikki túrin utan at onnur vita av hesum
- Stay on the path at all times
- No dogs in the outfields
- Remember to bring your rubbish with you
- Leave plants, stones, eggs and chicks in their natural environment
- Keep a distance to any sheep you may encounter
- Always notify others about where you plan on hiking. It is advisable to fill out and leave your 'safe travel' leaflet at your place of accommodation or in your car

### TORLEIKASTIG / TRAIL DIFFICULTY RATING SYSTEM



Please respect our nature, as it is  
fragile and should be protected  
for future generations



Please respect flora in this area  
by not picking the plants and  
by staying on the path



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ISLANDS



 the Faroe Islands

## » SKELTI

### DAGFØRINGAR

Skeltini verða dagförd við nýggjum torleikastigum og nýggjari rututekning.



## GONGUTÚRUR HIKING ROUTE

### DALUR - SKARVANES 2.0

Fylgið varðunum og bláu steyrinum  
Follow the cairns and blue post on this route

2 tímar (einvegis) 2hrs (one way)

4 km (einvegis) 4km (one way)

Brekkan er lang og lægilið niðaná, óman til Skarvanes er brekkan noki so brett at enda  
Hike uphill is lengthy but fairly easy. End of descent to Skarvanes is quite steep

297 m

Túrin hóskar seg við börnum  
The route is suitable for children

Valla slöð. Seinasti partur av túrinum til Skarvanesar er gjögnum eina líð, og har kann vera vått til enda  
Grassy path. Possibility of wet terrain at end of hike

### UM ATBURÐ / PATH GUIDELINE

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### TORLEIKASTIG / TRAIL DIFFICULTY RATING SYSTEM

Difficulty Level	Description
1.0 Easy	Green mountain icon
2.0 Medium	Blue mountain icon
3.0 Challenging	Red mountain icon
4.0 Expert	Dark blue mountain icon



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## » SKELTI

### DAGFØRINGAR

Skeltini verða dagförd við nýggjum torleikastigum og nýggjari rututekning.

## GONGUTÚRUR HIKING ROUTE

### DALUR - SKARVANES

Fylgið varðunum og bláu steyrinum  
Follow the cairns and blue post on this route

2 tímar (einvegis) 2hrs (one way)  
4 km (einvegis) 4km (one way)

Brekkan er long og lagalig niðaná, om Skarvanes er brekkan nokk so brött  
Hike uphill is lengthy but fairly easy. End to Skarvanes is quite steep

Valla slóð. Seinasti partur av túrinum til Skarvanesar er gjögnum eina líð, og har kann vera vælt litend  
Grassy path. Possibility of wet terrain at end of hike

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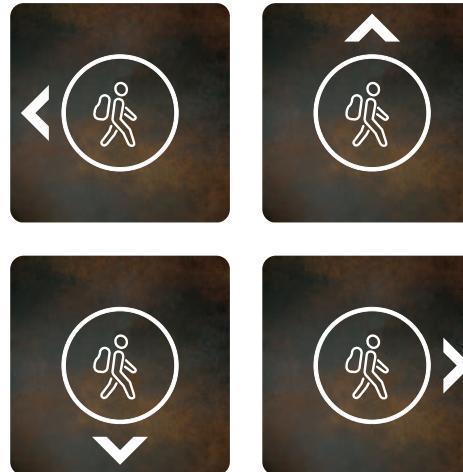


» ÁVÍSING TIL  
TÚRABYRJAN



## » ÁVÍSING TIL TÚRABYRJAN

Pílarnir á ávísingskeltinum  
peika á hvønn veg, ein skal  
ganga fyrir at koma til túrin.



Eisini kunnu  
ávísingskelti vísa  
til "view-points".

» ÁVÍSING TIL  
TÚRABYRJAN





GONGUTÚRAR

# PIKTOGRAMM

## » PIKOGRAMM Á GONGUTURASKELTUM



Høvuðspiktogramm  
Gongutúrur



Túrur byrjar



Túrur endar



Longd í tíð



Einvegis túrur



Aftur og fram



Hædd á túri



Tak börnini við



Lendisgreinan



Torleikagreinan



Götan fer í tvíningar



Merkisstaður



View-point



Parkerig

## » PIKTOGRAMM



Hóvuðspiktogrammir

Yvirlit yvir piktogrammi ið  
kunnu síggjast á bygdaskeltum,  
heimasíðuni v.m.



# GONGUTÚRA- HEFTI



# WELCOME

**the Faroe Islands**

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Fresh air, wind in your hair, tall mountains, sunny valleys, fascinating fog, beautiful lakes, grazing sheep and breathtaking views. These are some of the things you will experience while hiking in the Faroese mountains.

One of the many special features of the Faroe Islands is that you don't have to go far to experience magnificent and untouched nature. Look around you. Take a few steps. Take a deep breath and listen. It's all right there!

This hiking guide will show you some of the beautiful places in the Faroe Islands that can be discovered on foot.

Visit Faroe Islands wishes you a warm welcome to the Faroe Islands.

The left side of the image shows the front cover of a travel guidebook. The cover features a dark, textured map of the Faroe Islands with numbered cairns (1-23) indicating the locations of the 23 hikes described in the book. A small text box on the cover reads: "Allir túarnir hava eitt nummar og her sært tú eitt yvirlit yvir hvar túarnir eru". The right side of the image is a photograph of a person standing on a grassy hillside, looking down at a powerful waterfall cascading over a rocky cliff.

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*Take nothing but pictures  
Kill nothing but time  
Leave nothing but footprints  
Make nothing but memories*



## CORPSE STONES

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You can find corpse stones on these hikes:

- Fuglafjørður - Hellurnar ④
- Kambsdalur - Skálabotnur ③
- Oyndarfjørður - Elduvík ⑥
- Skálabotnur - Selatrað ⑦
- Saksun - Tjørnuvík ②
- Bøur - Gásadalur ⑯

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# BØUR-GASADALUR

## FACTS



2.5 hrs (one way)



3.5 km (one way)



Moderate to difficult. It is steep and difficult to climb Gásadalsbrekkan, and the descent to Gásadalur is also steep



434 m



Not suitable for children under eight to ten years, as the route is steep with many loose stone



Grass path. Down towards Gásadalur, path with stones and small rocks



Map no. 210



Be extra careful on the way down towards Gásadalur, as there are many loose stones, especially if you travel in a group



*Hike along the old village path to the beautiful village of Gásadalur, which was one of the most isolated villages in the Faroe Islands until a few years ago*

The route starts in the valley about three kilometres west of the village of Bøur. The path begins about one kilometre south (or left) of the tunnel entrance. You can see the path, which meanders up the Gásadalsbrekkan.

Gásadalur has been one of the most isolated villages in the Faroes. It is difficult to get to the village by sea and it was not until 2004 that the village was connected to the rest of the island by road when the tunnel was built. The people of Gásadalur used to walk this path when they had to go to the neighbouring villages to trade or for other errands. The helicopter service began in 1983.

The first stretch of the path is steep and runs close to the edge of the mountain. Therefore, walk extremely carefully, but do not forget to enjoy the outstanding view over Sørvágsvatn, Tindhólmur, Gásadalur and Mykines. In 2014, two men managed to climb all five peaks of Tindhólmur.

There is no church in Gásadalur so the school is used for services. The cemetery is from 1873. Before then, people were buried in Bøur and so the coffin had to be carried over the mountain to Bøur from Gásadalur. The trip was very difficult and the only place that the bearers could rest was at the Liksteinurin (Corpse Stone), which you will come upon halfway through the route.

Further on, you come to the spring Vígðá. There is a story that a baby in Gásadalur became seriously ill and had to be taken to the doctor in Bøur. On the way to Bøur, the baby's condition worsened



and it was about to die. According to the Lutheran faith, your soul does not gain salvation if you die unbaptised. Therefore, the priest, who was travelling with them, quickly blessed the spring and baptised the baby.

When you continue, you will see Risaspóði. There is a legend about two giants. One lived in Gásadalur and the other in Mykines. Once, they quarrelled and the Gásadalur giant wanted to go to Mykines to settle the dispute. He took running leaps along the mountain, took off, and with one leap, he landed on Mykines. He took off so hard that you can see his footprint to this day.

From Skarði, the path twists down the mountainside to the village. Beware of loose stones! The view down to Gásadalur is one of the most beautiful sights you can experience. The small, beautiful village is surrounded by green fields with harsh high mountains. One of them is Árnafjall, which, with its 722 metres, is the tallest mountain on Vágar. In the village, there are ruins from the Middle Ages, called Uppi við Garð and Gæsutoftir.

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TRAIL DIFFICULTY  
2.0 Medium

# TÓRSHAVN-KIRKJUBØUR

*A nice trip along the old mountain path to the beautiful old village of Kirkjubøur*

*Most of the houses in Kirkjubøur are built in the old style.*

Ⓐ The route starts at the crossroads Landavegur Velbastaðvegur. From there, follow a path down to Sandá and the farm where the path to Kirkjubøur begins.

First, you go uphill. Once you have come up and turn around, you have a good view of Tórshavn and all of Nólsoy. When you start to walk again, you go round Reymsmúli and then you arrive at Reymsmúlalág. Two small lakes are in front of you. You might see many Kittiwakes there in the summer. Follow the cairns and you will see a dais Ⓑ built of rocks. The dais has been used for open air public gatherings since the 1800s and is still in use today. Public gatherings have been held in this place with flags, speeches and patriotic songs composed for the occasion. It is easy to imagine how crowds of people have sat on the hill before the dais and listened to, amongst others, Jóannes Patursson (1866–1946), a pioneer in the Faroese national independence movement. These outdoor public gatherings are still held in the Faroe Islands, e.g. during the national holiday Ólavsøka on 28–29 July.

## FACTS

⌚ 2 hrs (one way)

🥾 7 km (one way)

⛰️ Ascent and descent are somewhat demanding, stony and wet. Rest of the hike is easy

体力 230 m

👶 The route is suitable for children

地形 Mostly grass path. Stony and wet in some areas

Map no. 408, 508, 509

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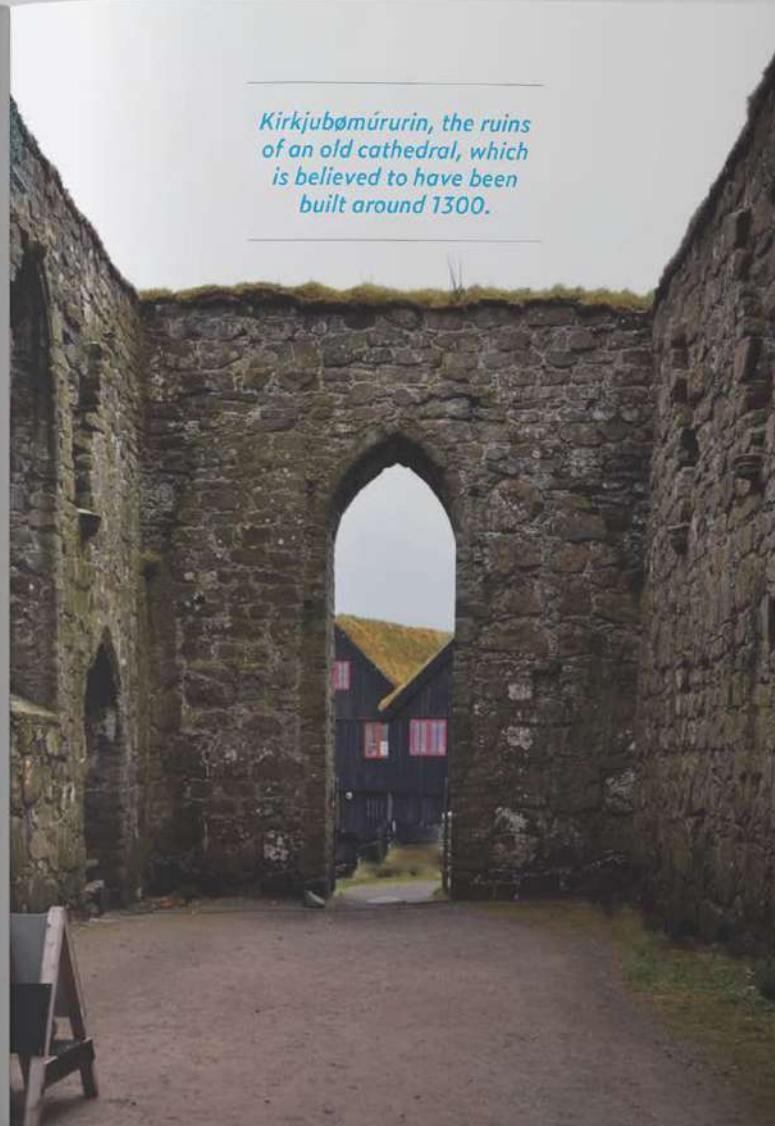
The path continues southwards. On the route, you have a great view of Sandoy, Hestur, Koltur and Vágar.

Legend talks about Magnus, a young man from Koltur, who courted a girl from Hestur. The girl's father was not to know about this, so they met in secret. Magnus swam from Koltur, when the tidal current flowed southwards, spent time with the girl, and when the tide turned, swam back to Koltur. The girl's father discovered this. One day, as Magnus came ashore, the father stood before him with an axe and threatened to kill him. Magnus was forced to go back, and he was never heard of again. Undoubtedly, a current took him and carried him out to sea. The story goes that after this, the eddy, which is called Grisarnir, emerged inside Koltursund. This is said to have been an act of revenge. To this day, this same eddy still exists in Koltursund.

As you approach Kirkjubøur, you will see a small islet, Kirkjubøholmur, which used to be part of the mainland and part of the village. Out on the islet, you can still see old ruins of houses.

The path now goes gradually down to the village and ends at a cattle grid some 50 metres from the nearest houses. Kirkjubøur is a beautiful and charming village where most of the houses are built in the old style. Kirkjubøur has a wealth of attractions; for example, Kirkjubømúrurin, the ruins of an old cathedral, which is believed to have been built around 1300. There is also Stokkastovurnar, the old farmhouses from about 1350, which are built on the ruins of the old bishop's seat. The church in Kirkjubøur is the oldest church in the Faroe Islands still in use. It was built in the 1200s.

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OYNDARFJØRDUR TO ELDUVÍK

ENJOY HIKING ALONG THE OLD VILLAGE PATH FROM OYNDARFJØRDUR TO THE CHARMING VILLAGE OF ELDUVÍK

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Once you have walked about one kilometre you will come to Elduvíkslið, the grassy sloping hillside

2.0 Medium

A → B  
14.5 km

3 hours

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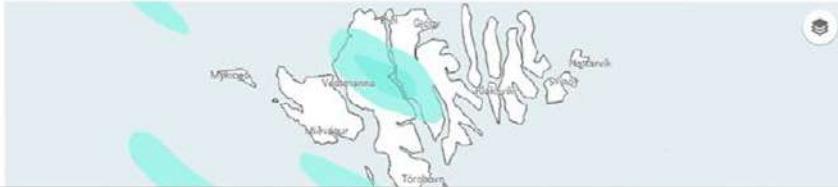
Elduvík to Oyndarfjørður, Eysturoy

 3 hours	 Map no. 614
 14.5 km	 Suitable for children age 7-8 years or older
 743 m	 First grass path. Then path with mainly stones and rocks
 Moderate difficulty, the walk up is fairly difficult, and on the final stretch there are many rocks and cliffs.	If you are traveling in a group, please take care on the upper part of the route, as there are many loose stones

 Follow the cairns and the blue post on this route

### WEATHER

Elduvík 23:00



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### RELATED HIKING ROUTES

**CHOOSE REGIONS**

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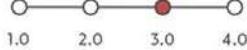
- Eysturoy
- Streymoy
- Vágar
- Nørðoyggjar
- Suduroy
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- Sandey
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**SPECIALITY**

SELECT ALL

- Children friendly
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- All year

**CHOOSE DIFFICULTY**



1.0    2.0    3.0    4.0

**Challenging**

**CHOOSE DISTANCE**

Kilometers



1 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50

**CHOOSE DURATION**

Hours



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

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## » ATBURÐSTILMÆLI 7-10

- ▶ Gakk altíð eftir gøtunum
- ▶ Halt ikki gang í haganum
- ▶ Steðga ikki á í lundalandinum
- ▶ Hav ikki hund við tær í hagan
- ▶ Hav altíð hundin í bandi
- ▶ Tak altíð burturkast heim við tær
- ▶ Lat plantur, grót, egg og ungar fáa frið í haganum
- ▶ Lat altíð portrið aftur eftir teg
- ▶ Gakk ikki ov nær seyðinum
- ▶ Flúgv ikki við dronu
- ▶ Stay on designated paths at all times
- ▶ Keep your voice down
- ▶ Do not pause in the puffin colony
- ▶ Dogs must not be taken into the outfields
- ▶ Dogs should be kept in rope
- ▶ Remember to bring your rubbish with you
- ▶ Leave plants, stones, eggs and chicks in nature
- ▶ Remember to close gates behind you
- ▶ Keep a distance to sheep you may encounter
- ▶ Do not fly drones

## » ATBURÐSTILMÆLI 11-20

- ▶ Tak lesull og annað, ið sløðist úti, við heim
  - ▶ Laða ikki varðar og tak teir ikki niður
  - ▶ Tjalda einans á ávístum tjaldstøðum
  - ▶ Kanna, um líkindi eru at fara í hagan
  
  - ▶ Ger teg út til alt veður
  - ▶ Hav altið í huga, at tað er kalt í hæddunum
  - ▶ Far ikki út á eggina
  - ▶ Ansa eftir, at grót ikki losnar og fer á bólt
  - ▶ Far ikki einsamallur á fjöllini
  - ▶ Sig frá, áðrenn tú fert í hagan
- ▶ *It's customary to pick up loose wool and rubbish*
  - ▶ *Do not build or take down cairns*
  - ▶ *Camping is only allowed on designated campsites*
  - ▶ *Check weather forecasts to see if conditions are favourable for hiking*
  
  - ▶ *Be prepared for all types of weather*
  - ▶ *Beware that it's often very cold in heights*
  - ▶ *Do not go to close to the cliffs*
  - ▶ *Beware of loose stones, especially when hiking in groups*
  - ▶ *Always walk with others*
  - ▶ *Notify someone about where you plan on hiking.*  
*It is advisable to leave your 'safe travel' leaflet*

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