



Animals

Puffins



- Iceland has the most Puffins in the world.
- Iceland is one of those colonies but in spring time they come over here for nesting and Iceland is the breeding home for about 60 percent of the world's Atlantic puffins.
- Puffins can be seen in Iceland from early April until September each year.



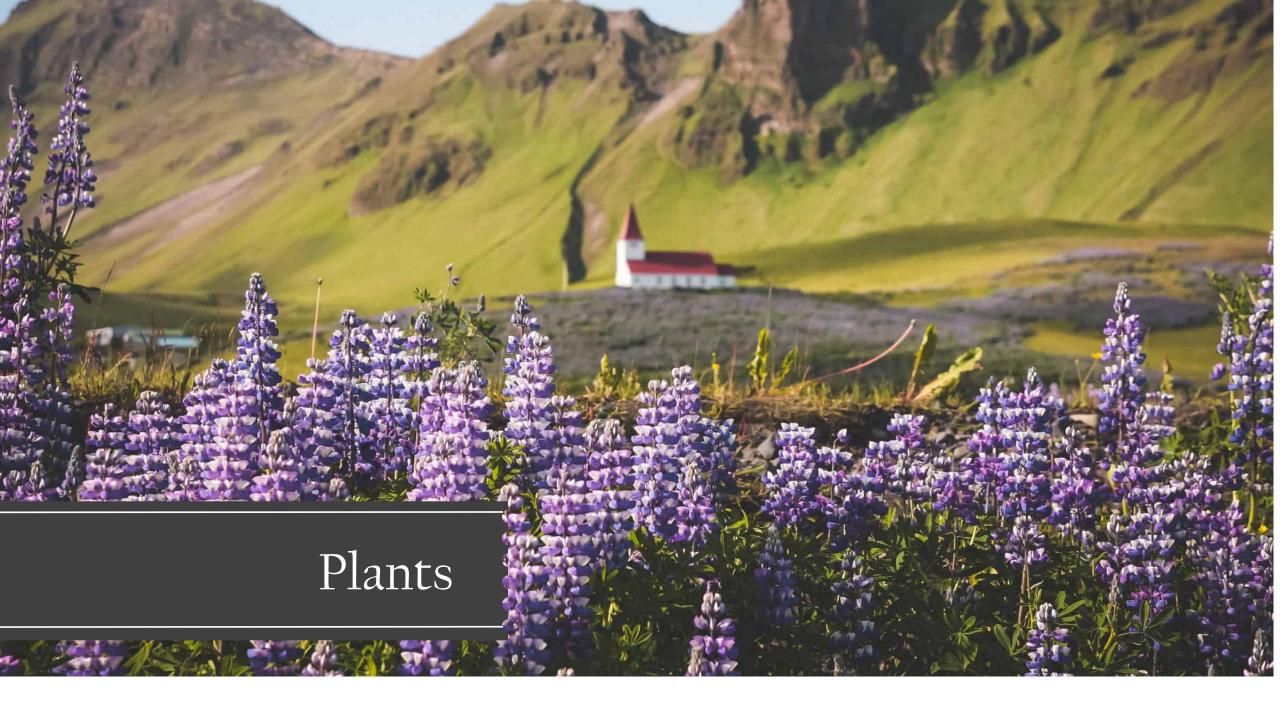
Icelandic sheep/ Íslenska sauðkindur

- The Icelandic sheep is a short-finned sheep of Scandinavian origin. The Vikings brought Scandinavian sheep with them when they settled in Iceland more than 1,000 years ago. Icelandic sheep have short legs compared to other sheep breeds and are free of wool on their feet and face.
- The stock peaked in 1978 and there are now more than 480,000 sheep's in Iceland. In the 19th century. This led to diseases to which Icelandic sheep's are very susceptible.

Horses

The Icelandic horse is a breed of horse developed in Iceland. Although the horses are small, at times pony-sized, most registries for the Icelandic refer to it as a horse. Icelandic horses are long-lived. The horses eat mainly wild grass and herbs and fun fact, while most horses around the world like apples, carrots and sugar, Icelandic horses rather have some fresh wheat/grass.





Mountain avens /Holtasóley

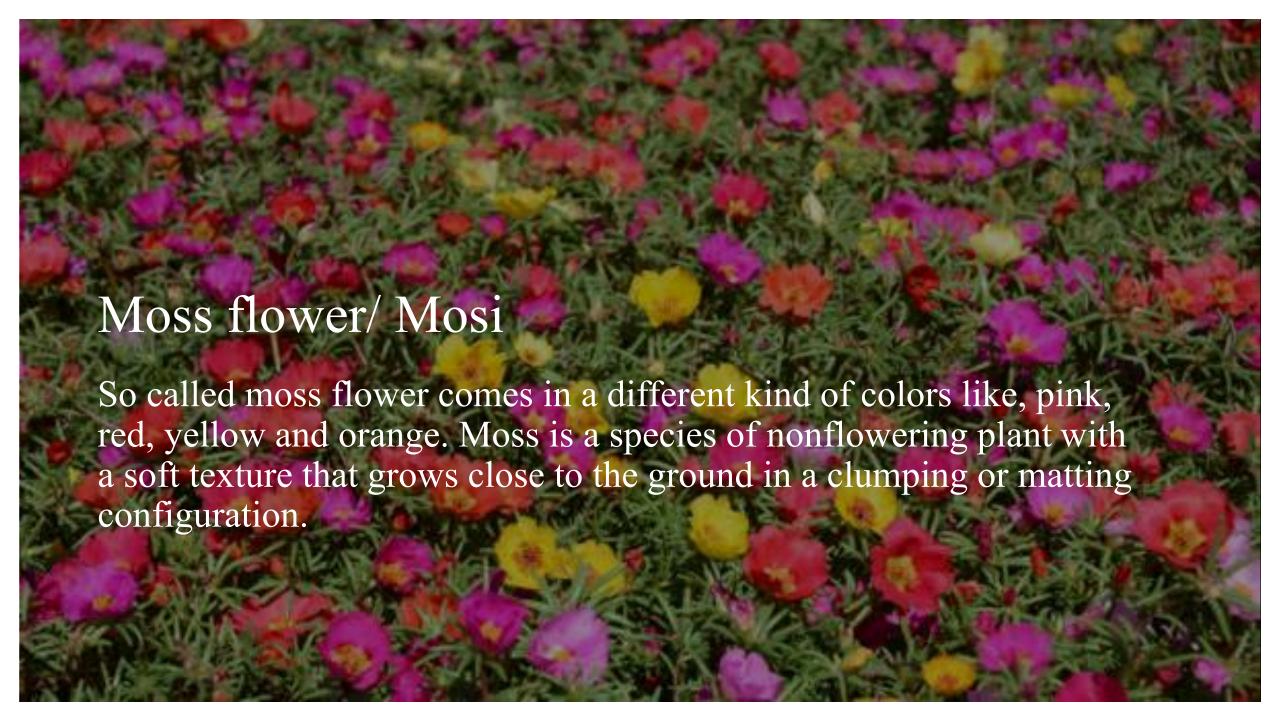
Mountain avens is a rose plant that grows in the mountains and the arctic, the leaves are called rjúpnalauf. They are silky, green, and soft below and the stems are woody. Mountain avens forms wide or flat and the flowers are white with eight large petals.





Garden Angelica/ Hvönn

Angelica root, angelicas are two-leaf clover. In the first year only leaves grow, but in the second year the hollow stem reaches up to 2m in height. Angelica has a stimulating effect on the immune system and is very active against viruses.





Forget me not flower/ Gleym mér ei

Forget me not flowers are purple and clean white with a yellow center. They can be known as scorpion grasses. Forget me not flower grows on tall hairy stems which sometimes reach 61cm (2 feet) in height. Forget me not flower symbolize true love and respect. When you give someone these tiny bloom it is a promise that you will always remember them and will keep them in your thoughts.

Sheep's sorrel/ Hundasúra

A perennial herb that has a slender and reddish upright stem that is branched at the top, reaching a height of 50 cm (20 inch). The arrow-shaped leaves are small, about 2.4–5 cm (1–2 inch) long and 2-5 cm(1 inch) wide, with pointed lobes at the base. It blooms during March to November, when yellowish-green (male) or reddish (female) flowers develop on separate plants at the apex of the stem, which develop into the red fruits.





Weather in Iceland

In Iceland, the summers are short, cool and mostly cloudy. The winters are long (26 weeks) and very cold. Over the course of the year, the temperature typically varies from -2C° (28°F) to 13C ° (57°F) and is rarely below -8C ° (17°F) or above 16C°(62°F). The hottest month in Iceland is July with 15C° And the coldest is January with -2C°.



Climate on Iceland



 Iceland enjoys a cool, temperate maritime climate with refreshing summers and mild winters. Summers are pleasant, with an average temperatures between 10-13 °C (50-55 °F) and daylight that extends far into the night. Winters are mild with an average temperature around 0 °C (32 °F).



