

The Vökudagar cultural event

The annual Vökudagar event takes place around the end of October and beginning of November. All kinds of concerts, art exhibitions and other events take place during the Vökudagar. You will see and hear works by brand new artists as well as experienced ones. A great mix where everyone can find something to their liking.

The Akranes Museum at Garðar

The local museum at Garðar has many interesting things on exhibit. You will find work and household related objects from older times and all kinds of equipment and tools used for agriculture and fishing in the past centuries. Guided tours are available.

The Advent

Yuletide lads, Christmas decorations and lights. During the advent the townspeople enjoy and take part in diverse events that brighten up the dark days of December and make the run-up to Christmas fun!

The lighthouses

The two lighthouses at Breið are among the most popular landmarks in Akranes. The old lighthouse was built in 1918 and the Akranes lighthouse was built in 1943-1944. When the tide is out it is nice to walk to the old lighthouse and enjoy the view over the vast Atlantic Ocean. The view from the top of Akranes lighthouse is fantastic. The Akranes lighthouse is open all year round.

The Northern Lights and the sunsets

The lighthouses are a brilliant location for experiencing the magnificent Northern Lights during the winter months. It is also wonderful to go to the top of Akranes lighthouse and watch the sun painting the sea with its myriad colours as it goes down.

The birds and the sea

The bird life around the lighthouses is rich and varied all year round. The eider is the most prominent bird there but you can also find ducks, oystercatchers, arctic fulmars and seagulls. The Breið area is a great place for photographers and for enjoying beautiful scenery.

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