

Guildford Travel Club presents **Tony Escritt:** Iceland on Fire

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The land of ice and fire Iceland has magical allure and one of the strangest landscapes known to man.

Active volcanoes & vast lava deserts stand in direct contrast to boundless glacial landscapes. Massive waterfalls & geysers leave a striking impression, as do the unique plant & animal worlds.



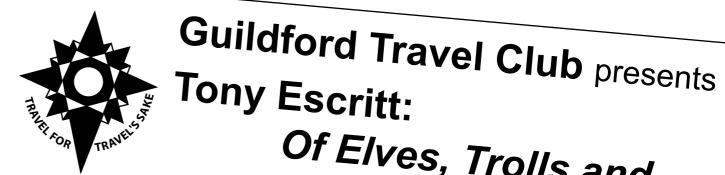


The rich tradition and culture has remained largely intact in spite of outside influences. The language remains almost pure old Norse with sagas, passed on from generation to generation.

Tony, an educational travel consultant and retired teacher, has spent over 40 years studying and visiting Iceland.

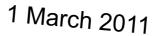






Of Elves, Trolls and Acts of Gods

Tony Escritt:







Anyone living in Iceland just has to believe in the supernatural. The landscape oozes with mystical beings and the long winter nights are fertile ground for elves, trolls and the hidden people. This talk looks at the landscape that has been punctuated with landslides, avalanches, glacier bursts and volcanic eruptions. Tony was on the icecap when the latest eruption occurred and his talk will conclude with images of the fire fountains set to music.

Tony Escritt, author of "Iceland - the Traveller's Guide", has been a regular visitor to Iceland since 1962. Over the years he has been involved with various expeditions and field studies including the North Iceland Glacier Inventory and various volcanic eruptions. He has travelled widely including Borneo, Greenland and Belize and has become a freelance guide in Iceland.





