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Dear Member

There is a unique ability for Cresta riders to have fun wherever they are in the world, and with whatever combination of Members may be with them. It is what makes our Club so special. Sharlie Goddard has kindly volunteered to organise what will be the most fabulous trip to Iceland in October for the Cresta Halloween. The time has come when she needs to know numbers to ensure she can book the activities that she has orchestrated. The more the merrier!

If you are planning to attend, please get in touch with her travel agent [Gwen](#) to book in. Or if you are flirting with the idea of attending, but aren't quite ready to confirm yet, please let [Sharlie](#) know, and I've no doubt she will be able to persuade you! As we all know Sharlie, this is going to be one not to miss!

Please find all the information below.

CRESTA HALLOWEEN in ICELAND
25th-27th October

Hello Cresta friends,

It gives me great pleasure to announce that I am organising the "Cresta Halloween" trip this year to the land of fire and ice, Iceland. A truly magical place of brutally beautiful landscape, hot springs and folk-law. It has so much to offer that really a long weekend will not do it justice, but I will hope to give those who come a bit of a taster of this incredible island.

I am planning a long weekend based in Reykjavík. Starting on the evening of Friday October 25th and finishing on Sunday 27th. Friday evening will be welcome drinks with a bit of a difference. Saturday I am hoping to organise a tour of "The Golden Circle" which will encompass much of the sightseeing that

you can do near Reykjavík. This will be an 8 to 9 hours trip. Or, there are so many activities Jeep tours, glacier visit, snorkelling between two continents, whale watching, horse riding, buggy rides, food tour of Reykjavík and of course shopping.. once people show an interest it can be arranged.

Saturday night is the main event and I have some fun and exciting ideas. I don't really want to spill the beans on that just yet. Needless to say, a fancy dress costume of either Vikings, ghosts, ghouls or trolls will be mandatory.

Sunday will be a slow start with a trip to either the sky lagoon or the blue lagoon. I might play it safe and book the sky lagoon as the blue lagoon can be cut off by the volcano which they expect to continue erupting. Then a gentle lunch and goodbyes.

So much of the above depends on numbers. It is at this point that I should mention that Iceland makes St Moritz look really good value. Iceland is incredibly expensive! Think £60 for a cheap bottle of wine (£10 supermarket type thing). Vodka is better value but the mixers are not. Apparently it's something to do with the government having control over the costs. Anyway, I have found somebody who can do booze at a better cost, but the basic prices are still extraordinarily high.

At this stage if you are interested in coming please contact Gwen, she is trying to negotiate better prices for us at the Editions Hotel in Reykjavík Gwen@ietravelgroup.com. Gwen is also the person to contact for flights and should you want to come earlier or stay longer to explore more. If enough people want to fly from the UK, I may consider chartering an aeroplane which could be fun.

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