

## European Geoparks Week in Katla Geopark Iceland 2015

Dates of geoparks week: 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> April

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Category	Date	Activity/Event
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<b>1. Geo &amp; Geo</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Hiking geotour at Vík guided by the director of Kötlusetur and the Hiking group of Mýrdalur. <i>A geotour for all ages, focusing on traditional turf house making, in the occasion of the universal year of soil.</i>
	23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Excursion of geosites in Fljótsdalur, guided by a geotour-guide of Katla Geopark. <i>Discovering caves and ancient forest swept away by glacial eluviation.</i>
<b>2. Geo &amp; Culture/Music/Literature/Arts</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Local production and handcraft.</i> Presentation and sale of local handcraft at The Farmers Market of Kirkjubæjarklaustur. Introduction of the locally bred sheep, feldfé, bred for their prestigious wool.
	21 <sup>st</sup> April	<i>Seminar talk on the processing and marketing of local food.</i> Hosted by the tourism cluster Visitklaustur.is Kirkjubæjarklaustur.
	23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<i>A show of Vintage Automobiles formerly used on old rugged roads within Katla Geopark.</i> Accompanied by a British vintage car excursion visiting Katla Geopark, Kirkjubæjarklaustur.
	25 <sup>th</sup> April	The annual off road 11 km race around the Geosite Hjørleifshöfði, Vík.
<b>3. Geo &amp; Education</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Geo activity education for public, soil for growing.</i> Gardening lecture on home growing vegetables in a cold climate. Hvolsvöllur.
	24 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>See what we learnt.</i> Primary school children invite their community to enjoy the results of their work during the Geopark week and the year of the soil.
	25 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Conference held by Kötlusetur on life with volcanic sand.</i> Five renowned speakers represent: birdlife on sand planes and moors, sand binding/revegetation actions in volcanic areas, threats of touristic trampling on fragile soils and traveling by horse over glacial planes and rivers.

