







Dear Women of the Midwest,

I often remember travel by remembering magic moments.

From our trip to Iceland ... Climbing up slippery, wet rocks to crawl behind gorgeous, shimmering waterfalls ... Getting a midnight hotel wakeup call with two words, "Northern Lights," then heading outdoors in pajamas and winter coats to dance underneath the magic.

From our journey to the Cotswold's of England ... Hiking over sloping grassy trails that took us through vast stretches of countryside as well as sparkling fairytale villages ... Pausing before Stonehenge in quiet wonder.

Behind those moments stands Women of the Midwest, a unique travel tour concept that helps women gently navigate our world. I've taken two trips with them – Iceland and England – both efficiently well planned and beautifully executed ... with advice on everything from tipping to weather forecasts to packing luggage.

I was especially impressed with ...

- Unique local lodging. In Iceland, much of the time we stayed on the edge of town with reduced light pollution so we could view
  those potential Northern Lights from the warmth of hot tubs. In the Cotswold's we settled into iconic inns offering the flavor
  of each locality.
- Delicious food. Each tour offered an entire range of selections for every single meal. In fact, you could cling to your familiar, Americanized dishes or sample the local fare. I couldn't get enough fish and chips in England, but sorry thumbs down on the black pudding.
- Ambassadors. Women of the Midwest offers unique support through their fabulous ambassadors, women who serve as helpful liaisons between the tour company and the local tour guide.
- Tour guides. Both our journeys were led by local tour guides who escorted us on most treks but also gave us free space to wander and who not only knew their home country but absolutely loved their country.

Magic moments ... looking forward to many more.

Warm regards,

Mary Kay Roth (Iceland & The Cotswolds)





