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# Seventh Volcanic Eruption in Iceland This Year Forces Blue Lagoon Closure

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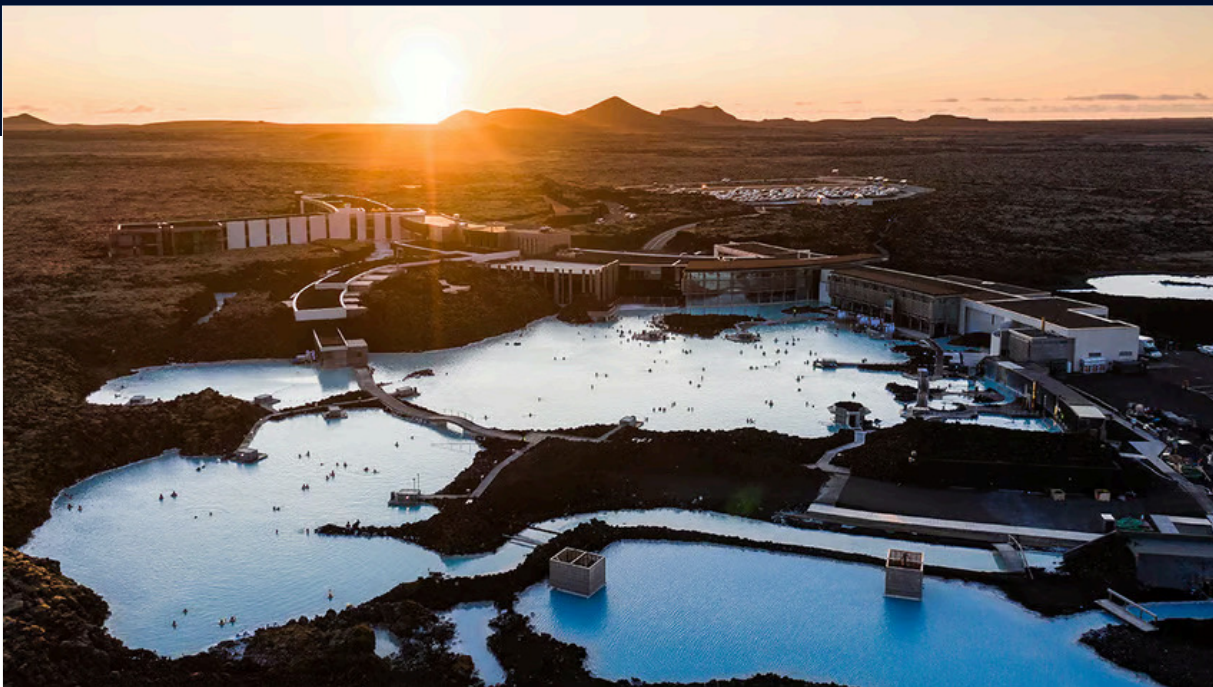
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According to **Visit Iceland**, the fissure eruption started on Reykjanes Peninsula on November 20 at 11:14 p.m. near the **Sundhnúksgrígar** crater. This marked the seventh eruption in the area since December 2023. Some things to note:

- Air traffic to and from Iceland is operating normally and the country remains a safe destination.
- The eruption's impact is highly localized and poses no threat to people; however, the area remains closed to visitors.
- All services in Iceland are operating as usual.
- The eruption is significantly smaller than the last eruption in the area, which took place in August.

Notably, however, the [Icelandic Meteorological Office](https://en.vedur.is/about-imo/news/eruption-begins-on-the-sundhnukur-fissure-swarm) (<https://en.vedur.is/about-imo/news/eruption-begins-on-the-sundhnukur-fissure-swarm>) reported on Thursday that the lava has extended farther west than any lava flow from previous eruptions and that it had reached the parking lot at the Blue Lagoon, continuing to advance.

For the latest information, visit [www.visiticeland.com](https://www.visiticeland.com) (<https://www.visiticeland.com/article/volcano-info>).

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