

RANGÁRÞING EYSTRÁ

The borders of Rangárþing eystra lies between two rivers, Eystri Rangá to the west and Jökulsá á Sólheimasandi to the south. Border to the east lies through the glacier Mýrdalsjökull. The area is known for its many beautiful nature scenes like the waterfalls, Skógafoss and Seljalandsfoss, Þórsmörk which is a paradise for hikers and the famous volcano Eyjafjallajökull. Icelandic culture is highly valued in Rangárþing eystra and scene of action for one of the most famous Icelandic Saga, The story of burnt Njal, is in the district.

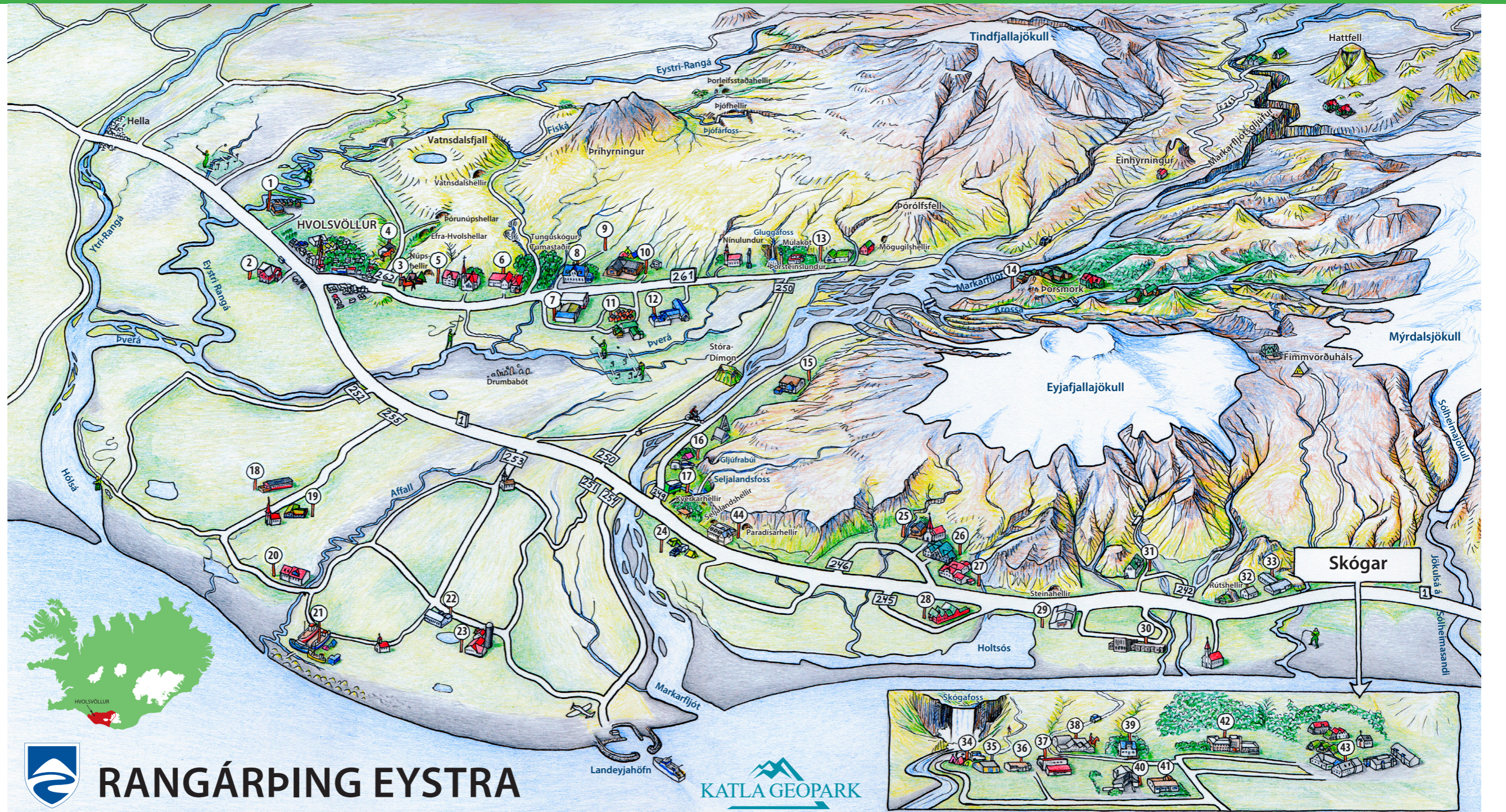
The district's most densely populated area is the town Hvolsvöllur. Only about 100 km from Reykjavík, Hvolsvöllur is an excellent location from which to base for exploration of South Iceland. Its central location makes it ideal for day trips in the region and then back for a good night's sleep in one of the area's many types of accommodation. You can find a lovely green area in the center of town where you can stretch your legs, let your kids play and enjoy a picnic and each summer you find there an outdoor exhibition by local area photographers. At Hvolsvöllur you find all basic service like doctor, pharmacy, bank and post office.

Only 20 minutes from Hvolsvöllur you can find Landeyjahöfn from where you take the ferry to the Westman Islands.

Travelers can enjoy many types of activities like short and long jeep tours, horseback riding tours, glacier tours, hiking and fishing.

CAVE EXPLORING

Rangárþing eystra has variety of caves to be explored. The caves are in all shapes and forms, large and small, deep and shallow and most may be explored without a guide and are easily reachable. Manmade or not, the caves have a rich history closely connected to Icelandic history and at locations like Efra-Hvolshellar, Paradisrheillir and Rútshellir you get stories of forbidden love, habitation and storage in an harsh environment and heroic settlers fighting off enemies.



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