

To this day, what remains of the stone trolls and the ship can still be seen just off the coast of Iceland near the small village of Vik.

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The rocks in the distance are actually **basalt sea stacks**.

Glossary

basalt: volcanic rock. Here it is very dark in colour.

sea stacks: pillars of rock, formed by the wind and the waves. These were once thought to have been arches of rock attached to the nearby cliffs.

These rocks or sea stacks have real Icelandic names:

Skess in the story is actually called **Skessudrangur** in Icelandic.

Landra in the story is actually called **Landdrangur** in Icelandic.