

# 8 DAY TULIP TIME CRUISE (WAA)





This springtime river cruise gets underway in Holland's colorful capital of Amsterdam. This 700-year-old city offers an abundance of classic architecture, cafés, and restaurants to explore before you embark on your river cruise through Holland and Belgium. Sail through Rotterdam's harbor, said to be the world's busiest port. Garden enthusiasts will delight in a visit to see the breathtaking colors of Keukenhof, also known as the "Garden of Europe." With 70 acres of parkland and lakes, it's one of the world's largest flower gardens with nearly 7 million flowering bulbs bursting with color. Next, sail to Antwerp, Belgium's second-largest city, known for its centuries-old history in diamond trading amid ancient buildings and monuments combined with modern architecture. In Ghent, Belgium, join a local expert for a guided tour of the city, including a visit to St. Baaf's Cathedral.

Your cruise traverses back into Holland where you'll explore Middelburg, formerly an important trading city. You'll still get a sense of its historic wealth today with its impressive structures like the Gothic Town Hall, Abbey Tower, and bustling Market Square. This beautiful and historic springtime river cruise concludes with more time to explore the wonderful city of Amsterdam. See the most fascinating views of the city on a canal cruise along the elegant grachten lined with homes dating back to the city's "Golden Age."

CRUISE OVERVIEW

8

DAYS



2

COUNTRIES



COUNTRIES

Netherlands

Belgium

DAY-BY-DAY

ITINERARY

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AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (EMBARKATION)

Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is Ready for Boarding.

Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 3:30 pm.

Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm.

Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure.

You may choose to join a Guided Optional Excursion to beautiful Zaanse Schans where you'll see a wonderful collection of well-preserved historic windmills and Dutch houses.

Enjoy dinner and explore the ship on your first night on board.

EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO ROTTERDAM



Dinner

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ROTTERDAM

## Dutch Treats and Flowers Sweet

Visit the Adventure Center for today's activities with your Adventure Host.



### ACTIVE EXCURSION

Experience Rotterdam by foot with your Adventure Host, OR:



### CLASSIC EXCURSION

Join a full- or half-day Guided Tour of breathtaking Keukenhof—known as the “Garden of Europe”—for its 70 acres of lush parkland, lakes, and the world's largest flower gardens—with more than seven million tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths as well as other bulbs, planted each year.



### CLASSIC EXCURSION

As an alternative to the full-day tour, you can join a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Rotterdam featuring innovative architecture, including the marvelous Erasmus Bridge.

Take some free time to relax on the harbor-side in Rotterdam with an artisan beer, a slice of appeltaart (Dutch apple pie), and a koffie verkeerd, a typical Dutch drink with equal parts coffee and milk. Take a bike from your ship to explore Rotterdam and the surrounding area.

Before dinner, enjoy a cruise through Rotterdam harbor.

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

## EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO ANTWERP



Breakfast



Lunch



Dinner

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## ANTWERP, BELGIUM

Cathedrals, Carats and Crêpes



### ACTIVE EXCURSION

Explore Antwerp by bike with your Adventure Host, OR:



### CLASSIC EXCURSION

Take a Guided Tour of this sophisticated city to visit the central Grote Markt, lined with 16th-century guildhall houses. You'll also see the beautiful city hall, the Cathedral of Our Lady with its stunning altarpiece paintings by Rubens.

Alternatively, you may choose to join a Guided Optional Excursion to the nearby capital, Brussels—considered home to the European Union, and admire its magnificent palaces and cathedrals.

You might prefer to take time on your own to indulge in Antwerp's signature Belgian waffles and crêpes—or explore this bike-friendly city from its old wharfs to its legendary diamond district.

## EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO GHENT





Breakfast



Lunch



Dinner

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**GHENT**

Medieval Masterpieces and Flemish Finery

**ACTIVE EXCURSION**

Explore a different side of Ghent by bike with your Adventure Host, OR:

**CLASSIC EXCURSION**

Explore Ghent—"The Diamond of Flanders"—with a Guided Sightseeing Tour of this showcase of medieval Flemish wealth. You'll visit St. Bavo's Cathedral—with its remarkable Flemish artwork.

Alternatively, you may choose to join a full-day Guided Optional Excursion of Bruges to explore its canals, cobbled streets, and medieval buildings. You'll see its crisscrossed canals, the 13th-century belfry of Market Square, and charming patrician houses. You won't miss the opportunity to explore Ghent since this Optional Excursion ends with an orientation walk of the "Diamond of Flanders."

Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

**OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO MIDDELBURG**

Breakfast



Lunch



Dinner

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**MIDDELBURG, HOLLAND - VEERE**

A Spicy History in Middelburg's Dutch Harbor Town

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

**CLASSIC EXCURSION**

Join a Guided Walking Tour through the winding cobblestones and canals of Middelburg. See the 15th-century Gothic Town Hall and learn about its important role in the spice trade and Dutch East India trading.

Spend some free time biking or walking through Middelburg to sample Babbelaar cookies, fries, or beer before cruising to Veere.

During lunchtime enjoy a short sailing from Middelburg to Veere.

**ACTIVE EXCURSION**

Alternatively bike from Middelburg to Veere with your Adventure Host.

VEERE

History and Scottish Houses



### CLASSIC EXCURSION

Join a Guided Walking Tour of Veere—a delightful historic town full of interesting sights dating back to the 15th and 16th centuries. Immerse yourself in its rich heritage, explore charming streets, and uncover hidden gems.

### EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO WILLEMSTAD



Breakfast



Lunch



Dinner

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## WILLEMSTAD

### Willemstad's Windmills and Historic Harbor



### ACTIVE EXCURSION

See Willemstad by bike with your Adventure Host, OR:



### CLASSIC EXCURSION

Join a Guided Walking Tour of Willemstad and discover its many beautifully restored buildings from the 17th and 18th Century.



### DISCOVERY EXCURSION

Later, enjoy a Cheese Tasting on board as you prepare to sail to Amsterdam.

### AFTERNOON/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO AMSTERDAM



Breakfast



Lunch



Dinner

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## AMSTERDAM

### Canals of Colorful Amsterdam



### ACTIVE EXCURSION

Start your day joining your Adventure Host on an early morning walk in Amsterdam, OR:



### DISCOVERY EXCURSION

Discover Aalsmeer Flower Auction—the largest in the world, where around 20 million flowers are sold every day. Later enjoy a typical Dutch breakfast, OR:



### CLASSIC EXCURSION

Discover the true beauty of Amsterdam with an off-the-beaten-path Guided Walking Tour through its cobblestone streets for a captivating look at this legendary city, OR:



### CLASSIC EXCURSION

Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a Guided Canal Cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's "Golden Age."

This afternoon, choose among the many Guided Optional Excursions available.

Take some free time to explore Amsterdam's colorful streets and canal houses, galleries, and shops.

#### OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN AMSTERDAM

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

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#### AMSTERDAM (DISEMBARKATION)

Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast

## NOTES

- In the event of technical or water level issues, it may be necessary to operate the itinerary by motorcoach or alter the program, including hotel overnight when necessary.
- Guided Tours, Optional Excursions, activities, sailing and docking schedules may be contingent on weather conditions or other issues outside of our control and could therefore be subject to change at any time.
- Please check visa requirements with your local consulate(s); responsibility for obtaining visas rests with the traveler.

HAND-PICKED

## HOTELS

We've vetted and hand-selected the best hotels around the world with location, comfort, and style in mind. Enjoy first-class hotels in each destination, and check in with the confidence that we've already checked everything out for your comfort and convenience.

### Amsterdam

 **Westcord Jakarta**  
Javakade 766

 WiFi

 SuperiorFirst-Class Hotel as shown or similar

A unique sustainable hotel in Amsterdam, where two worlds connect. At the former location where ships left for Jakarta, lies a green oasis in the centre of the city. Hotel offers 200 luxurious rooms with a Indonesian influenced style. Enjoy breakfast, lunch and dinner at Café Jakarta or get a drink at the Malabar. Be pampered in luxury and relax in our wellness and swimming pool with views towards the river IJ.

## Hotel Amenities

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- Spa Services
- Elevator
- Concierge Desk
- Free WiFi
- Beauty Salon
- Bar/Lounge
- Fitness Room
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Pool
- Parking/Valet

## Room Features

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- Complimentary Newspaper
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Voicemail
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- In-Room Safe
- Wake-Up Calls
- Alarm Clock
- Pay Movies
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Disabled Access / Rooms
- Air Conditioning
- Coffee Maker
- Desk
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- Window Opens
- Internet Access
- Cable/Satellite
- Climate Control
- Complimentary Toiletries

 **Movenpick Amsterdam City**  
Piet Heinkade 11

 WiFi

 SuperiorFirst-Class Hotel as shown or similar



A stylish 408-room hotel in the perfect location, this waterfront property offers Free Wi-Fi internet access throughout. The chic restaurant serves creative international cuisine and there is a fabulous bar serving drinks and light snacks which is also a great spot for a nightcap. For relaxation there is a Lifestyle Studio featuring a gym, Finnish sauna, bio sauna & ice fountain.

### Hotel Amenities

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| • Spa Services    | • Business Center    |
| • Fitness Room    | • ATM                |
| • Elevator        | • Laundry Available  |
| • Concierge Desk  | • Restaurant On-Site |
| • Free WiFi       | • Currency Exchange  |
| • Luggage Storage | • Gift Shop          |
| • Bar/Lounge      | • Parking/Valet      |

### Room Features

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| • Coffee Maker             | • Non-Smoking Rooms           |
| • Desk                     | • Voicemail                   |
| • Phone                    | • Television                  |
| • Hair Dryer               | • Mini-Bar                    |
| • Iron/Ironing Board       | • Smoking Rooms               |
| • In-Room Safe             | • Room Service                |
| • Wake-Up Calls            | • Window Opens                |
| • Internet Access          | • Pay Movies                  |
| • Cable/Satellite          | • Air Conditioning (Seasonal) |
| • Climate Control          | • Disabled Access / Rooms     |
| • Complimentary Toiletries | • Air Conditioning            |