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# Amsterdam - Bruges, MS Magnifique II

### PICTURE BOOK HOLLAND & BELGIUM.

This journey combines cultural highlights and scenic areas in Holland and Flanders. You cycle along flat bike paths from metropolis Amsterdam to Bruges, the Venice of the North. In Holland impressing cottages, cheese dairys and the 19 windmills of Kinderdijk are seaming your route. In Belgium the historic Flemish cities Antwerp, Gent and Brügge take center stage - gables and patrician houses, narrow alleys and rich cultural past finds its expression until today in the architecture and painting.

Get all information and many more tour tips for our tours with Bike & Boat in Holland and Belgium.

## Easy





8 Days / 7 Nights



**Guided Group Tour** 



Minimum number of participants: 24

### To the online version



# *Itinerary*



## Amsterdam - Vianen

approx. 5 - 15 km

Embarkation and check-in is at 2 pm, where your crew for the week will be waiting to welcomeyou on boarou on board. At around 2 p.m. the ship will deparound 2 p.m. the ship will depart from Amsterdam for Vianen, a small, fordam for Vianen, a small, fortifiedvillage on the Lek Rivvillage on the Lek River. After dinner you have the oppore the opportunity to enjotunity to enjoy a shory a short first test ridet first test ridethrough the surrounding area.



### Vianen - Schoonhoven - Kinderdijk - Dordrecht

approx. 30 - 55 km

Today you will cycle along a beatiful route to Schoonhoven - nicknamed Zilverstad ("SilverCity") - a city renowned for its talented silver smiths since th 17th century. Later in the day as you cycle through the Alblasserwaard regon you will reach Kinderdijk, a village famous for its impressive row of 19 large windmills. All 19 windmills have a UNESCO cultural heritage listing and are a definitive highlight - you will have the opportunity to visit one so don't forget to bring your camera! From nearby Alblasserdam you will take the "Waterbus", a fast ferry, that will take you and you bicycle in approx. 10 minutes to Dordrecht, one of the oldets towns in Holland.



### Dordrecht – Willemstad –Bergen op Zoom

approx. 40 - 50 km

As you enjoy your breakfast aboard the ship, the ship will sail to Willemstand where you will start your day's cycling. Willemstad is a beautiful old fortified town on the Haringvliet waterway. You bicycle ride goes to Tholen, once was an island in the middle of the large Zeeland streams, where many people fished for their living. Nowadays Tholen is connected to the mainland in various ways.

Then you cycle on to the destination of this trip, Bergen op Zoom. Bergen op Zoom is a historic fortified town that once lay on the open waters of the Oosterschelde. After dinner you can take a walk through the old town. Narrow streets, old town, market and church squares and idiosyncratic monumental building show the history of a rich and eventful past that goes back more than eight hundred years.



## Bergen op Zoom - Kreekrak lock - Antwerp

approx. 20 - 35 km

In the morning you will enjoy a small bike ride through the beautiful "Wouwse Plantage" surrounding Bergen op Zoom. In the early afternoon you will once again board the ship which will sail to the port city of Antwerp, situated on the river Schelde. Antwerp is famous for handling up to 80% of the world's rough diamonds and is a city with a long list of attractions including: the City Hall, one of several majestiv buildings constructed during the Renaissance period, the historical City Square Grote Market, the Onze-Lieve\_Vrouwe Cathedral and the medieval Steen Castle. Dinner tonight (not included) will be in town in a restaurant of your choice (recommendations available on board).



## Antwerp - Temse- St. Amands

approx. 35 - 50 km

This morning you will cycle out of Antwerp along a picturesque section of the Schelde River to St. Amands your home for the night. There is only one way to descrice the landscpae aroung the Schelde and that is "magnificent". It is without doubt one of the natural highlights of the tour.



## Amands - Dendermonde - Ghent

approx.50 km

Today you will continue to follow the river Schelde to Ghent where the ship will moor for the night at a lock in a suburb of town. Ghent is a lively university city that boasts a rich history. Since Roman times Ghent's position at the junction of Leie and Schelde Rivers has ensured that it has been a successful trading port. In total the city features an Opera House, 18 museums, more than 100 churches and over 400 historical buildings. Major attractions are St. Bavo Cathedral where a number of masterpieces of medieval art including the world famous 'Adoration of the Mystic Lam' by Jan van Eyck are kept and the 91-metre-tall belfry of Ghent, one of three medieval towers that overlook the old city center. Before dinner a small canal boat will take you for a guided tour through the historic city.



## Ghent - Bruges approx. 25 - 45 km

Today you will cycle from Ghent through the beautiful Flemish countryside of western Flanders to Bruges, widely described as the 'Venice of the North' and arguably the most beatiful of all the Flemish cities. Bruges attracts more than two million visitors every year who come to see the picturesque medieval town center of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed historic city and a long list of historic attractions. An outstanding example of a medieval historic settlement, Bruges has managed to maintain its historic fabric as it has evolved over the centuries, with the result that today the city's original Gothci buildings form an integral part of the town's identity. While you are here you can visit one of Bruges many museums or simply take in the stunning beauty and culture of this unforgettable city from the comfort of a sidewalk cafe.



End of your tour: Disembarkation after breakfast until 09:30 a.m.

## Tour character

Through Holland and Belgium always flat along bike paths.

Cycle trips with a guide or self-guided: Those tours will be adjusted individually with the tour guide, depending on the group and their potential. There is a daily briefing in the evening for the next day. The ones who will make the trip self-guided can use the route books which are provide on board (books only gettable on board). You will cycle about 40 and 60 km per day.

Surcharge 2-bed-cabin

Prices per person in EUR

premium

## Prices and events

### Place of arrival: Amsterdam

Season 1

200.00

04.05.2023 | 01.06.2023 | 15.06.2023 | 07.09.2023 | 21.09.2023 |

**Arrival Thursday** 

Season 2

200.00

13.07.2023 | 27.07.2023 | 10.08.2023 | 24.08.2023 |

05.10.2023 | **Arrival Thursday** 

Bike & Boat in Holland and Flandern Amsterdam-Bruges - MS Magnifique II, days 8, NL-SHSAZ-08G 1,559.00 1,499.00 Base price Surcharge 2-bed-cabin 714.50 744.50 single use Surcharge 2-bed-cabin 550.00 550.00 suite

## Our rental bikes

	Filter
7-gear unisex with freewheel	100.00
7-gear unisex with back pedal brake	100.00
Electric bike	220.00

# Services and infos

#### Services

#### Included:

- 7 nights tour and accommodation on board of MS Magnifique II in the booked category
- Program according to the routing
- Welcome drink
- Meals: (7 x breakfast, 6 x picnic lunch during bike tours, coffee and tea on board, 6 x 3 course dinner)
- Daily cabin cleaning
- Use of linen and towels
- Daily briefing on the respective bike tours
- All charges for harbours, bridges and locks

- Printed instructions and detailed maps for daily bike tours (deposited on board, 1 per cabin)
- **GPS** tracks

#### **Optional extras:**

Bike rental insurance €10/week, for e-bikes €25/week. Risk and limitation of liability in the case of damage or loss of the rental bike by you.

#### Infos

#### Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Train station Amsterdam close to the pier
- Train station Bruges (Stationsplein) about 3 km from the pier
- Car park Amsterdam Oosterdok: guarded car park at the train station, about € 20/day (www.parkingcentrumoosterdok.nl)
- Car park Amsterpark.nl / Valet Parking Services: Pick up of your car at the pier on day of arrival, car will be back at the pier on day of departure, price € 150,- per week (application form in the travel documents
- Return tourney by train about € 55,- per person.

#### Notes:

- Further important information according to the package travel law and additional information about your bike and boat trip can be found here!
- The transport of own bikes is limited due to the space on deck! Cost for your own E-Bike €25/week and costs for your own bike €10/week.
- The owner of the ship, the crew, the tour guide and the organiser are not liable for the damage or theft of own bicycles.

## Accommodation

## MS Magnifique II

During this tour by bike & barge with the MS Magnifique II you can enjoy the most beautiful art cities of Flanders: Brussels, Mechelen, Antwerp, Ghent and Bruges are wonderful and interesting historical cities.

**Beds**: 35

**Cabinsize:** 8 - 14 m<sup>2</sup>

Captain: Walter von Berkum

Crew: 4

Length: 62 m

Width: 7,20 m

**Draught:** 1,40 m

# Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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### **Book now**

