



# *Rotterdam und Province Zeeland, MS Normandie*

## **... AND THE SEA IS ALWAYS NEAR**

The province of Zeeland, also referred to as the „Land in the Sea“ is located in the west of the Netherlands and mostly consists of islands and peninsulas. The Eastern and Western Scheldt estuaries reach far inland, thus making Zeeland a paradise for flora and fauna. Cycle with us from the energetic city of Rotterdam – the city stands for easy and relaxed togetherness like no other city in the Netherlands – to the province of Zeeland. Discover the historic towns of Zierikzee and Middelburg and the Delta Works, Holland's most impressive storm surge barriers. Sample delicious mussels, oysters and Eastern Scheldt Lobster. You should not miss out on a stop in one of the numerous fish restaurants! You travel aboard the MS Normandie.

- Get all information and many more tour tips for our tours with [Bike & Boat in Holland and Belgium](#).

Easy



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided Tour



Minimum number of participants:  
60 persons

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# Itinerary

DAY  
1

## *Arrival in Rotterdam, Boat Tour Rotterdam – Dordrecht*

Individual arrival in Rotterdam. Embarkation at about 03:00pm. You may have some time left to see Rotterdam's stunning Market Hall. The Dutch refer to it as their version of the „Sistine Chapel“. At 06:00pm sail to Holland's oldest town, Dordrecht, impressively located on an island between three wide rivers.

DAY  
2

## *Dordrecht – Willemstad – Hellevoetsluis* | approx. 45 km

In the morning, set sail for Willemstad, a small fortified town dating from the 17th/18th century, which is well worth visiting. Here start for your first cycle tour. Cross the inland waters of Haringvliet over the Volkerakdam, and cycle through fields and past storybook villages like Zwartsluis and Goudswaard to the popular water sports centre of Hellevoetsluis.

DAY  
3

## *Hellevoetsluis – Bruinisse* | approx. 45 km

With fine weather, it is worth to take a detour to the bathing beach of Rockanje, a wide fine-sandy beach with marvellous dunes, before starting the bike tour. Crossing the Haringvliet again, you pass through small villages like Stellendam with the mill Korenlust, the small water sport village of Herkingen and, continuing along the Grevelingendam, you reach the mussel village of Bruinisse.

DAY  
4

## *Bruinisse – Veere* | approx. 45 km

Today you can visit the "Watersnoodmuesum" during your bike tour. Here you will learn all about the great flood disaster of 1953 and the "drowned" village of Viane, which was flooded and never rebuilt. Continue towards Zierikzee, which is among the 10 most beautiful Dutch national heritage towns. The „fat tower“ rises high above the town. The top of the tower offers marvellous views over the town, the harbour and the island. Continue your tour crossing the Zeelandbrug -an impressive structure 5 km long, built on 54 piers -to your destination of the day-the harbour town of Veere. Where once richly laden ships from Scotland docked, today impressive yachts are moored.

DAY  
5*Veere - Neeltje Jans - Veere, Round Trip*

approx. 35 - 50 km

Today you can choose between three different routes, for example the former working island Neeltje Jans, which was created by rising a sand flat to facilitate the construction of the Eastern Scheldt storm surge barrier, the most impressive construction of the Delta Works. You will have the possibility not only to marvel at the locks from up close but also from the inside. The adjacent amusement park "Deltapark" gives an insight into the life of sea lions and the underwater world of the Oosterschelde (optional).

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DAY  
6*Veere - Middelburg - Dordrecht*

approx. 40 km

The first stop on your cycling tour is Middelburg, the capital of Zeeland. The city looks back on a rich past and was once the most important city in the Netherlands after Amsterdam. Numerous stores and cafés invite you to visit. During a city tour (optional) you will have the opportunity to learn all kinds of interesting facts about the charming city. The tour continues through the picturesque, typically Dutch landscape on the Walcheren peninsula. Wide beaches, forests and dunes await you. Nowhere in the Netherlands the sun shines as often and as long as here.

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DAY  
7*Dordrecht - Rotterdam*

approx. 40 km

On your last bike stage you will experience the most famous windmills in the Netherlands at Kinderdijk. The 19 well-preserved mills date from the 18th century and have been declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Your path continues along the Maas River to Rotterdam. Take the opportunity for a harbor tour through the largest deep water port in Europe and admire the skyline and impressive architecture from the water.

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DAY  
8*Departure from Rotterdam*

Disembarkation until 09:00am and individual journey home.

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# *Tour character*

Due to its numerous cycle paths, Holland has become a paradise for cyclists. The cycle routes are on flat terrain and are easy to cycle on, strong headwinds possible.

# Prices and events

Place of arrival: Rotterdam

Season 1

03.06.2023 | 10.06.2023 | 17.06.2023 | 05.08.2023 | 12.08.2023 | 19.08.2023 |  
Arrival Saturday

| Bike & Boat Rotterdam - Provinz Zeeland - MS Normandie - main deck, 8 days, NL-ZLSRR-08-H  |          |
|--|----------|
| Base price   | 999.00   |
| Surcharge 2-bed-cabin single use   | 50%      |
| Bike & Boat Rotterdam - Provinz Zeeland - MS Normandie - upper deck, 8 days, NL-ZLSRR-08-0 |          |
| Base price   | 1,099.00 |
| Discount 2-bed-cabin astern  | -50.00   |
| Surcharge 1-bed-cabin  | 350.00   |
| Surcharge 2-bed-cabin single use   | 50%      |

# Our rental bikes

|                              | Filter |
|------------------------------|--------|
| 7-gear with back brake       | 79.00  |
| 7-gear with freewheel        | 79.00  |
| Electric bike with freewheel | 189.00 |
| E-Bike with back brake       | 189.00 |

Prices per person in EUR

# *Services and infos*

## Services

### Included:

- 7 nights in outside cabin with en-suite shower facilities in the booked category
- Programme according to itinerary from/to Amsterdam
- Welcome drink
- Daily cabin cleaning
- Change of linen and towels on request
- Full board (7 x breakfast buffet, 6 x packed lunch for cycle tours or lunch snack, 6 x coffee and tea in the afternoon, 7x three-course dinner)
- All port, bridge and lock fees
- Daily briefing on the respective cycle tours
- GPS tracks
- Maps and information material for the cycle tours, 1x per cabin
- Tour manager on board

## Infos

### Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Car park near the docking location (about 10 minutes walking distance), approx. € 25 every 24 hours
- Central Parking Valet Parking Services: At the day of arrival, leave the car at the docking where a driver will meet you, upon your return, the car will be waiting for you at the ship (application form can be ordered by Eurobike). Charges about € 170,-/week (payable in advance).

### Note:

- Further important information according to the package travel law and additional information about your bike and boat trip can be found [here!](#)

# Accommodation

## *MS Normandie*

Aboard the MS Normandie you will find a personal and familiar atmosphere. Enjoy your stay in the cosy panorama salon, the tastefully decorated restaurant or the specious sundeck.

***Beds: 100***

***Cabinsize: 10-11 m<sup>2</sup>***

***Crew: 17***

***Length: 91,20 m***

***Width: 10,50 m***

***Draught: 1.6 m***