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Holland & Belgium Springtime River Cruise

April 8 – 16, 2025



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9 Days • 20 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches, 7 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Amsterdam, 7-Night River Cruise, Keukenhof Gardens, Arnhem, Middelburg, Bruges, Antwerp, Kinderdijk Windmills

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 8 MS Amadeus Brilliant

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Tuesday, April 8, 2025 Overnight Flight Savor springtime in Holland and Belgium with a cruise that highlights the blooming Dutch tulip fields. Relax as you make your way along seemingly endless fields of vibrant flowers and iconic windmills.

Day 2: Wednesday, April 9, 2025 Amsterdam, Netherlands - Board Ship - Tour Begins Your journey opens in Amsterdam, the 800-year-old capital of the Netherlands, where you will board your ship. Your home for the next 7 nights, this beautifully appointed vessel has all the modern amenities you need, plus a panoramic deck, and bar, outstanding service, and delicious food and wine. Tonight, enjoy a cocktail overlooking the city skyline before you're welcomed aboard with a lovely dinner. (D)

Day 3: Thursday, April 10, 2025 Amsterdam - Keukenhof Gardens - Amsterdam See Amsterdam the way it's truly meant to be seen – by canal. On your private boat, cruise under sloping bridges and pass by quintessential Dutch houses. This afternoon explore the world famous Keukenhof Gardens, featuring acres of tranquil ponds, shaded paths, and more than 7 million tulips and other flowers on exhibit. This evening, your ship leaves Amsterdam. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Friday, April 11, 2025 Arnhem Arrive in Arnhem, the favorite summer retreat of the Dutch royal family. With a full day to explore, perhaps you'll wander through one of the city's many parks or delve into the local history at a WWII museum. In the morning, consider joining an optional tour to the Airborne Museum to learn about the the Battle of Arnhem. After lunch, you may opt for an afternoon visit to the Kröller-Müller Museum that holds the second largest Van Gogh collection in the world. This evening, pass by lovely Dutch scenery as your journey continues. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Saturday, April 12, 2025 Middelburg This morning, enjoy sailing along scenic Dutch waterways before spending an afternoon in Middelburg, the capital of the Dutch province of Zeeland. Walk through the twisting lanes and take in the city's relaxed atmosphere on your own. See how the local trading legacy remains in the architecture, passing by timeless brick houses, a Gothic town hall, and medieval towers. Consider taking an optional excursion to the storm surge barrier and Flood Museum to learn about Netherland's largest flood defense system. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Sunday, April 13, 2025 Bruges, Belgium Say hello to Belgium this morning during a scenic cruise to the fairytale city of Bruges. This afternoon, explore the city on foot during a guided walking tour,* then board a scenic canal cruise featuring cozy town squares and medieval dwellings. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Monday, April 14, 2025 Antwerp Join a local expert in Antwerp for a city tour that explores its rich history and Gothic and Baroque architecture. Enjoy a free afternoon to prepare for the elegant Captain's Gala Dinner, immediately followed by an evening of dancing. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 Kinderdijk, Netherlands - Rotterdam Stop in Kinderdijk, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and village, to experience Holland's iconic 18th-century windmills. Walk along the winding paths and venture inside one of these working windmills, seeing how the country's heritage blends into modern day society. This afternoon, **it's your choice!** Discover the charming canals, medieval architecture, and rich history of Delft on a walking tour, and afterwards, enjoy free time to explore on your own **-OR-** take a walking tour of the Hague and see the historic Binnenhof, the Peace Palace, and more before enjoying free time in this unique city. Aboard the ship, toast to the end of your journey at a farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 Amsterdam - Disembark Ship - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with memories of vibrant flowers and towering windmills. (B)



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 Middle Outside Single Rate ~~\$6,779~~; **\$6,729***
 Upper Outside Single Rate ~~\$8,279~~; **\$8,229***
 Suite Single Rate ~~\$12,279~~; **\$12,229***

For bookings made after Aug 09, 2024 call for rates.

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Dallas Ft Worth Intl, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$599 per person

Limited space on each cabin category, all cabins and singles are on a first come first serve basis.

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from DFW

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• * Elite Air pricing (Premium Economy, Business Class or First class) is valid until 8 months prior to departure, after which rates are subject to change and will be quoted based upon availability.

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Aug 09, 2024, valid on air inclusive packages only.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel in May 2025, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS visa waiver, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>

This itinerary is subject to change due to unforeseen changes in water levels, delays at the locks and other circumstances that may arise along the waterways. These changes may include items being missed during the tour; however, every effort will be made to substitute another attraction if possible.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Ports of call are subject to change based on pier availability and weather conditions.

Coffee or tea is included with all meals. Wine, beer and soft drinks are included with every dinner.

Gratuities for cabin stewards, bus boys and waitstaff on board the ship are not included and are at your discretion.

Triple and child accommodations are not available.

Experience It! Keukenhof

Keukenhof – which means "kitchen garden" in Dutch and also called the “Garden of Europe” – is one of the world's largest flower gardens. Situated on what were once 15th-century royal hunting grounds, the current park was envisioned by the local mayor and opened in 1949 as a place for growers to show off their dazzling array of hybrid flowers. Each year, approximately 7 million flower bulbs are planted and grow on the grounds of this 80-acre park. Keukenhof is located in South Holland in the small town of Lisse, south of Haarlem and southwest of Amsterdam. Famous for its meandering lanes, canals, sculpted garden rows and seemingly endless array of starbursts of floral colors, a visit to the park is a once-in-a-lifetime attraction that draws more than 30 million visitors each year. The best time to view the tulips is from the end of March through early May, depending upon the weather.

For more information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1195541>

Smart casual wear is recommended throughout the trip. For the welcome and farewell dinners, a dinner dress for the ladies and jacket and tie for the gentlemen is recommended. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended throughout the tour.

Cabins are available on lower (Haydn), middle (Strauss) and upper (Mozart) decks. Please note that river cruises are smaller ships and only have a finite number of each cabin category available. Specific categories are available on a first come first served basis. Every effort will be made to accommodate your cabin choice at time of booking; however, if that cabin category is no longer available, the closest available category will be offered. Please inquire through our Client Care Center for any upgrade fees which will apply for different cabin categories. Suites (Amadeus Suites) and singles are very limited and available on a first come, first served basis.

*Bruges walking tour includes standing for a longer period of time, walking on cobblestone streets and cruising the canals in uncovered boat.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities. During the walking tour in Bruges, expect to navigate through cobblestone streets and uneven grounds. You should be prepared to stand for longer periods at a time.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

The cruise line reserves the right to charge a supplemental fuel charge. Should this charge be incurred, you will be notified in advance.

Embarkation on day 2 is after 3:00 p.m.; on day 9, disembarkation is normally at 9:00 a.m.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$898 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of August 02, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by December 09, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until August 09, 2024.

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NOTES:



For important reservation information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1195541>. You can also find this information on your tour documents.

BOOKING NUMBER: 1195541
 DEPARTURE DATE: April 8, 2025

TOUR: Holland & Belgium Springtime River Cruise
 GROUP NAME: American Tours

Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Arnhem



Airborne Museum

\$90 USD

Drive through the city of Arnhem, best known for the WWII operation "Market Garden." The British First Airborne Division was given the task of securing the main bridge in Arnhem in order to help Allied troops advance into Northern Germany. Drive past the landmarks from this famous battle, continuing on to the Airborne Museum in Oosterbeek. The museum contains numerous displays and exhibits, which recount in detail the events of the battle including an impressive collection of weapons, uniforms and documents from the battle and the period. This option is only available until 15 days prior to departure. After this, it may be purchased on board the cruise ship directly from the Tour Manager. This option operates at the same time as the Masters & Modern Art at the Kröller Müller Museum option *Duration: Approximately 4.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 20 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Innsbruck

Masters & Modern Art at the Kröller Müller Museum

\$115 USD

Art lovers will find a wide range of works to peruse at the Kröller Müller Museum. Boasting the world's second largest Van Gogh collection, you'll see famous works like Café Terrace at Night among many others. In addition to Van Gogh artwork, the museum also features works by contemporaries of his time like Claude Monet, Georges-Pierre Seurat, and Pablo Picasso; as well as a modern sculpture garden with a seasonal art rotation on its sprawling 60-acre grounds. This option is only available until 15 days prior to departure. After this time, the option may be purchased once you are on board the cruise ship directly from Tour Manager. *Duration: Approximately 4.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 20 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Storm surge barrier and Flood Museum

\$99 USD

Make your way from Middelburg across the storm surge barrier where a guide will stop to share the history about The Floods of 1953. Here, you'll take time to immerse yourself in a pre-museum lesson about the Deltawerken and how each part makes up Netherland's largest flood defense system. Arrive at the Watersnoodmuseum (Flood Museum) for a guided tour where you'll see in-depth before and after photos of the events. End your visit with some free time to walk the museum while reflecting on your new knowledge of the past. *Duration: Approximately 4.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.