

Amsterdam-Bruges Boat tour

8 days, € 1449



Introduction



Experience the charm of a bygone era on this exciting 8 day, 7 night tour where you will discover the best of what Holland and Belgium have to offer.

During the day you will cycle to world famous destinations such as Amsterdam, Dordrecht, Antwerp, Ghent and Bruges, while at night you will relax in the comfort of your floating hotel.

Cycling on this tour is through the beautiful – and flat – Dutch countryside of Zeeland and the western Flanders region of Belgium. Attractions along the way include many charming villages, a visit to a real Dutch cheese farm, the 19 famous Dutch windmills in Kinderdijk and the world famous cities of Antwerp, Ghent and Bruges in the western Flanders region of Belgium. You will cycle through and discover the Dutch province of Zeeland, which is essentially one big river delta of the Rhine, Meuse and Scheldt Rivers famous for its fantastic beaches, water sport activities and Delta works and the Flanders region of

Belgium famous for its medieval towns and a reputation for superb food and drink. As well as being able to discover many picturesque villages each day – both on your bicycle and on foot – you will:

- Have the opportunity to discover Amsterdam
- Visit Antwerp, a city famous for its vibrant nightlife
- Get the opportunity to explore Ghent
- Visit the UNESCO World Heritage-listed historical center of Bruges

Good to know:

Cycling route distances in the travel program are approximate.

On some days you can choose between a longer and a shorter cycling route. Please note that on the shorter routes you may not be able to visit all the highlights mentioned.

If you prefer not to cycle on a particular day, you're welcome to stay on board and relax while the ship cruises to the next landing place.

The tour itinerary and route are subject to possible changes due to nautical, technical or meteorological reasons, or other unforeseen events.

On the arrival day, you can leave your luggage on board the ship from 11.00 am.

Detailed cycling maps, route tips and a GPS app are available for guests who wish to cycle individually and at their own pace. The tour guide is always available via cell phone in case of questions, breakdowns or emergencies.

In collaboration with:
Boat Bike Tours.



Day to Day

Day 1 **Amsterdam – Vianen**

Embarkation and check-in is between 1.30 ? 2 p.m., where your crew for the week will be waiting to welcome you on board. At around 2.15 p.m. the ship will depart from Amsterdam for Vianen, a small, fortified village on the Lek River. After dinner you have the opportunity to enjoy a short first test ride through the surrounding area.

Day 2 **Vianen – Schoonhoven – Kinderdijk | Kinderdijk – Dordrecht**

32 km

Today you will cycle along a beautiful route to Schoonhoven ? nicknamed Zilverstad (?Silver City?) ? a city renowned for its talented silver smiths since the 17th century. Later in the day as you cycle through the Alblasserwaard region 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 definite 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 your bicycle in approx. 10 minutes to Dordrecht, one of the oldest towns in Holland..

(32 km/19 mi. or 56 km/34 mi.)

Day 3 **Dordrecht – Willemstad | Willemstad – Bergen op Zoom**

42 km

As you enjoy your breakfast aboard the ship, the ship will sail to Willemstad where you will start your day?s cycling. Willemstad is a beautiful old fortified town on the Haringvliet waterway. Your 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 buildings show the history of a rich and eventful past that goes back more than eight hundred years.

(42 km/26 mi. or 50 km/31 mi.)

Day 4 **Bergen op Zoom – Kreekrak lock | Kreekrak lock – Antwerp**

21 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 majestic 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).

(21 km/13 mi. or 35 km/21 mi.)

Day 5 **Antwerp – Temse – St. Amands**

34 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 describe the landscape around the Schelde and that is ? magnificent?. It is without doubt one of the natural highlights of the tour.



Day 6 **St. Amands – Dendermonde – Ghent**

52 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 Lamb' 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.

(52km / 32 mi.)

Day 7 **Ghent – Bruges**

22 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 beautiful 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 Gothic 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 café ☞.

(22 km / 13 mi. or 45 km / 28 mi.)

Day 8 **Bruges**

End of your tour: Disembarkation after breakfast until 9.30 a.m.



Prices, Data, Booking

Magnifique I	Twin lower deck	Small twin lower deck	Single cabin	Twin lower deck single use	Junior suite lower deck	Double upper deck
Price per person €	Euro	Euro	Euro	Euro	Euro	Euro
Tuesday 14-05-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)					2.099,00	
Tuesday 21-05-2024 (Amsterdam-Bruges)	1.699,00				2.099,00	
Tuesday 04-06-2024 (Amsterdam-Bruges)	1.699,00			2.548,50	2.099,00	
Tuesday 11-06-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)	1.699,00			2.548,50		

Zwaantje	Twin Lower Deck	Double lower deck
Price per person €	Euro	
Saturday 04-05-2024 (Amsterdam - Bruges)	1.539,00	1.539,00

MS MAGNIQUE II	Twin Lower Deck	Suite upper deck	Twin or Triple Lower Deck	Single Main Deck	Twin lower deck single use	Premium twin Cabin	Suit upper deck triple
Prijs per persoon €	Euro		Euro	Euro		Euro	
Thursday 09-05-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)						1.949,00	
Thursday -05-2024 (Amsterdam - Bruges)						1.949,00	2.299,00
Thursday 06-06-2024		2.299,00					2.299,00



(Bruges- Amsterdam)							
Thursday 13- 06-2024 (Amsterdam- Bruges)		1.699,00	1.699,00		2.548,50		
Thursday 20- 06-2024 (Bruges- Amsterdam)		2.299,00				1.949,00	2.299,00
Thursday 11- 07-2024 (Amsterdam - Bruges)	1.549,00		1.549,00			1.799,00	2.149,00
Thursday 18- 07-2024 (Bruges- Amsterdam)	1.549,00	2.149,00	1.549,00			1.799,00	2.149,00
Thursday 25- 07-2024 (Amsterdam- Bruges)	1.549,00	2.149,00	1.549,00			1.799,00	
Thursday 01- 08-2024 (Bruges- Amsterdam)	1.549,00	2.149,00	1.549,00			1.799,00	
Thursday 22- 08-2024 (Amsterdam- Bruges)		2.149,00					2.149,00
Thursday 05- 09-2024 (Amsterdam- Bruges)		2.299,00	1.699,00		2.548,50		2.299,00
Thursday 19- 09-2024 (Amsterdam- Bruges)							2.299,00
Thursday 26- 09-2024 (Bruges- Amsterdam)	1.699,00	2.299,00	1.699,00		2.548,50	1.949,00	2.299,00
Thursday 03- 10-2024 (Amsterdam - Bruges)	1.549,00	2.149,00	1.549,00		2.323,50	1.799,00	2.149,00
Thursday 10- 10-2024 (Bruges- Amsterdam)	1.149,00	2.049,00	1.449,00		2.173,50	1.699,00	2.049,00



MS MAGNIFIQUE III	Twin Lower Deck	Twin or Triple Lower Deck	Single Lower Deck	Suit upper deck triple	Suite Upper Deck
Prijs per persoon €	Euro	Euro	Euro		Euro
Tuesday 04-06-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)		1.699,00			
Tuesday 18-06-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)	1.699,00				
Tuesday 25-06-2024 (Amsterdam-Brugge)	1.699,00	1.699,00	2.129,00	2.299,00	2.299,00
Tuesday 02-07-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)	1.549,00	1.549,00	1.929,00		
Tuesday 09-07-2024 (Amsterdam-Bruges)	1.549,00	1.549,00	1.929,00		
Tuesday 16-07-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)	1.549,00	1.549,00	1.929,00	2.149,00	2.149,00
Tuesday 23-07-2024 (Amsterdam-Bruges)	1.549,00	1.549,00	1.929,00	2.149,00	2.149,00
Tuesday 30-07-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)	1.549,00	1.549,00	1.929,00	2.149,00	2.149,00
Tuesday 06-08-2024 (Amsterdam-Bruges)	1.549,00	1.549,00		2.149,00	2.149,00
Tuesday 13-08-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)	1.549,00	1.549,00		2.149,00	2.149,00

MS MAGNIFIQUE IV	Twin Lower Deck	Single main Deck	Twin lower deck single use	Suite upper Deck
Prijs per persoon €	Euro	Euro		Euro
Thursday 30-05-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)	1.699,00			
Thursday 06-06-2024				2.299,00



(Amsterdam-Bruges)				
Thursday 13-06-2024				2.299,00
(Bruges-Amsterdam)				
Thursday 27-06-2024	1.699,00		2.548,50	2.299,00
(Bruges-Amsterdam)				
Thursday 04-07-2024	1.549,00		2.323,50	2.149,00
(Amsterdam-Bruges)				
Thursday 11-07-2024	1.549,00		2.323,50	2.149,00
(Bruges-Amsterdam)				
Thursday 18-07-2024	1.549,00		2.323,50	2.149,00
(Amsterdam-Bruges)				
Thursday 25-07-2024	1.549,00			2.149,00
(Bruges-Amsterdam)				
Thursday 01-08-2024	1.549,00		2.323,50	2.149,00
(Amsterdam-Bruges)				
Thursday 08-08-2024	1.549,00		2.323,50	2.149,00
(Bruges-Amsterdam)				
Thursday 22-08-2024				2.149,00
(Bruges-Amsterdam)				
Thursday 29-08-2024				2.299,00
(Amsterdam-Bruges)				
Thursday 05-09-2024				2.299,00
(Bruges-Amsterdam)				
Thursday 19-09-2024	1.699,00		2.548,50	2.299,00
(Bruges-Amsterdam)				



Thursday 26-09-2024 (Amsterdam-Bruges)	1.699,00		2.548,50	2.299,00
Thursday 03-10-2024 (Bruges-Amsterdam)	1.549,00		2.323,50	2.149,00



Accommodation

Fluvius

The Fluvius has been a popular choice for guests for a number of years now on the cycling cruises between Amsterdam and Bruges. The former cargo barge was totally rebuilt and extended in 2003 into a luxury river cruise barge. In winter 2017-2018, four additional upper deck double cabins were realized. The Fluvius sails under Dutch flag and management. The Fluvius now caters for max. 44 passengers.

Description of the cabins:

The Fluvius has eighteen twin cabins and four double cabins. On the upper deck, there are three standard twin cabins (11 m² – 118 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds and four double cabins (12 m² – 129 sq.ft.) with a double bed (160 x 200 cm) and a large panoramic window. On the lower deck you will find fourteen standard twin cabins (11 m² – 118 sq.ft.) and one smaller twin cabin (10 m² – 108 sq.ft.), all of which have two separate single beds. On prior request, a child's cot can be placed in two of the standard twin cabins.

Each cabin has an en-suite bathroom with shower, toilet and basin. All twin cabins have a fixed window, the panoramic window in the double cabins can be opened. Each cabin has an individually adjustable air-conditioning unit, a ventilation system, a flatscreen TV and a hair dryer.

Description of the ship:

The Fluvius has a large lounge (air-conditioned) with TV, bar and a semi-separate restaurant area. Wi-Fi is available. The barge also has a large sun deck with sitting places (tables and chairs) and a storage room for the bikes. While cruising, you can enjoy the scenery from here.

Facts about the ship

Length: 69,9 m (229 ft.)

Width: 5,6 m (18 ft.)

Crew: 7

Cabins: 22

Pass: 44 (max.)

Lena Maria

After several years working on a ship, it was time for a new adventure for Eelke and his wife, Carlien. So they took over the boutique canal barge the Lena Maria, which can carry a maximum of 24 passengers. "The Lena Maria is big enough to offer high-quality accommodations and small enough to provide an intimate atmosphere", explains Eelke. "So, people connect with each other very quickly on board. Also, we have a crew of four people, which is a lot, considering the number of guests. This way we can best take care of everyone."

Metamorphosis for the Lena Maria:

Since Carlien and Eelke bought the Lena Maria, the barge has undergone a metamorphosis. "Inside, everything was brown and white. We've modernized that and furnished it in our own style. Everything has become brighter; there is a homey floor and we've added a bar. This has made the restaurant and lounge area more open and much cozier," Eelke reports. "But I'm actually constantly busy making everything even nicer. I've renovated a lot of ships before and that's just way too much fun for me," he laughs.

To the coziest places:

The small size of the Lena Maria has another advantage, says Eelke. "It allows us to sail along narrow canals and dock in smaller harbors where things are really cozy. Guests are that little bit closer to the scenery. We can cruise in areas that aren't overrun with tourists." For example, the Lena Maria runs the Boat Bike Tours cycling cruises between Amsterdam and Bruges, the Hanseatic Tour and the Discover Friesland Tour, Eelke's favorite.

Description of the cabins:

The Lena Maria has twelve spacious twin cabins (10,5 m² – 113 sq.ft.) with two separate beds. Each cabin has a private shower, toilet and basin. Windows can be opened and the cabins have individually controlled air-conditioning, ventilation and central heating. Furthermore, you will find a hair dryer in each cabin.

Description of the ship:

On the upper deck of the Lena Maria you will find the cozy lounge with the bar and dining area. Wi-Fi is available. The barge also has a beautiful sundeck, where you can have a drink. On nice evenings, or while cruising, you can enjoy the scenery from here.

Facts about the ship

Length: 45 m (148 ft.)

Width: 6,6 m (22 ft.)

Crew: 3

Cabins: 12

Pass.: 24 (max.)

Fiep

In 2000, the Fiep was converted from a cargo ship into a modern and spacious passenger ship, especially for boat and bike tours in the Netherlands and Belgium. In the winter of 2012/2013 the ship has been completely renovated and since then being operated by her new and proud owner, Harrie Wagt.

Description of the cabins:

The Fiep has twelve comfortable guest cabins, situated on the lower deck. Ten twin cabins (10 m² – 108 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds and two twin cabins (8 m² – 86 sq.ft.) with two split level beds. These twins can also be used as singles by folding up the split level bed. Each cabin has a private shower, toilet and basin. Windows can be opened and the cabins have central heating and air-conditioning. Furthermore, in each cabin you will find a mini safe and hair



dryer.

Description of the ship:

On the upper deck, there is the air-conditioned lounge, a spacious sitting area with wide screen TV, a cozy bar and a large sundeck. Wi-Fi is available. The sundeck is the ideal place to drink a cup of coffee or an aperitif and to enjoy the scenery while cruising. The meals of excellent quality are served in the air-conditioned dining room, located on the lower deck.

Facts about the ship

Length: 45 m (148 ft.)
Width: 6,5 m (21 ft.)
Crew: 4
Cabins: 12
Pass: 24 (max.)

Zwaantje

The Zwaantje (little Swan) is a new built passenger barge. Since September 2014, the „Zwaantje“ has new owners and operators: Martijn van Tatenhove and Marjorie Kersten, who have experience as operators of a passenger barge for many years. Martijn is your captain on board; he grew up in a family in the hotel and restaurant business and is also a licensed chef. Marjorie graduated in Tourism at the Breda High School and has been working in public relations. The sympathetic and very motivated couple have restyled the interior of the “Zwaantje” in winter 2014-2015 and have created a warm and cozy atmosphere. The Zwaantje sails under Dutch flag and management and is a very popular small river barge on several tours in The Netherlands, Belgium and France.

Description of the cabins:

On the lower deck, the Zwaantje has twelve comfortable guest cabins. Ten twins (7 m² – 75 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds and two doubles (6 m² – 65 sq.ft.) with one double bed. Each cabin has a private shower, toilet and basin. All cabins have ventilation, central heating, air-conditioning and a window; the windows in the doubles can be opened, the windows in the twins are fixed for safety reasons. Furthermore, in each cabin you will find a mini safe and hair dryer.

Description of the ship:

On the upper deck you will find the nice and cozy salon with heating, air conditioning, large panoramic windows, a restaurant area, lounge corner and a small bar. Wi-Fi is available. The Zwaantje also has a very spacious sun deck with chairs and tables where you can relax, enjoy the scenery while sailing or join the skipper in the wheel house.

Facts about the ship

Length: 40 m (131 ft.)
Width: 5,6 m (18 ft.)
Crew: 4
Cabins: 12
Pass.: 24 (max.)

Magnifique II

The premium ship Magnifique II was constructed in 2015/2016. The proud owner, Walter van Berkum, is one of the most experienced ship builders and operators of the fleet: he converted several former cargo ships into beautiful passenger ships. By constructing the Magnifique II, Walter was the first one to introduce “upper deck suites” for smaller passenger barges. The Magnifique II has set new standards for comfort for bike and barge tours. The vessel sails under Dutch flag and management and is a very popular ship on several tours in The Netherlands and Belgium.

Description of the cabins:

The upper deck has four spacious suites (14 m² – 151 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds, a small sitting area and large panoramic windows, of which the middle part can be opened. The lower deck has thirteen cabins: one premium twin cabin (13 m² – 140 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds and a small sitting area and twelve beautiful twin cabins (11 m² – 118 sq.ft.) with 2 separate single beds. In most cabins, on prior request, the beds can be set together as a double bed. On request, an extra bed is available in two twin cabins and one upper deck suite for children up to age 16 (above one of the other beds). All cabins have en-suite facilities with a shower, toilet and sink. The cabins on the lower deck have portholes (fixed for safety reasons), upper deck suites have 2 m / 6.6 ft. wide windows (which can be partly opened) and the air conditioning in all cabins can be individually regulated. Furthermore, in each cabin you will find a flat screen satellite TV, a mini safe and a hair dryer.

Description of the ship:

The upper deck has a large, tastefully furnished and spacious salon with air conditioning, a restaurant area, a beautiful bar and a lounge area with cozy sitting area, a wide screen TV and large panoramic windows. Wi-Fi is available. The Magnifique II has a beautiful, partly covered teak wooden sun deck with chairs and tables on the aft deck and a cycle storage on the front deck. On the top deck, the barge has a whirlpool/Jacuzzi and some deckchairs to relax while you enjoy the scenery when cruising.

Facts about the ship

Length: 63 m (207 ft.)
Width: 7.2 m (24 ft.)
Crew: 5
Cabins: 17
Pass: 37 (max.)

Magnifique III

Our premium ship Magnifique III was launched in 2018. The proud owner, Walter van Berkum, one of the most experienced ship builders and operators of the



fleet, already converted several former cargo ships into beautiful passenger barges. The Magnifique III meets the highest standards for comfort for bike and barge tours. The vessel sails under Dutch flag and management on several tours in The Netherlands and Belgium.

Description of the cabins:

The upper deck has five spacious suites (16 m² – 172 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds, a small sitting area and a “French Balcony”: ceiling-to-floor sliding glass doors. The lower deck has fourteen beautiful twin cabins (12 m² – 129 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds and two single cabins (9 m² – 97 sq.ft.). In most cabins and all suites, on prior request, the beds can be set together as a double bed. On request, an additional third bed is available in one of the suites and one of the twin cabins for children up to age 16 (Pullman bed, above one of the other beds). All cabins have en-suite facilities with a shower, toilet and basin. The cabins on the lower deck have portholes (fixed for safety reasons), upper deck suites have sliding glass doors that can be partly opened. The air conditioning in all cabins can be individually regulated. Furthermore, in each cabin you will find a flat screen satellite TV, a mini safe and a hair dryer.

Description of the ship:

The upper deck has a large, tastefully furnished salon with a restaurant area, a nice bar and a lounge area with cozy sitting corners, a wide screen TV and large panoramic windows. There are also two TV screens (a camera and a navigation system) to see the real-time movement and position of the barge. Wi-Fi is available. Large glass doors open to the beautiful partially roofed teak wood sundeck with chairs and tables on the aft deck. There is a cycle deck on the front deck. On the top deck, the barge has a whirlpool/Jacuzzi and some deckchairs to relax and enjoy the scenery while cruising.

Facts about the ship

Length: 67 m (220 ft.)
Width: 7,2 m (23.6 ft.)
Crew: 5
Cabins: 21
Pass.: 40 (max.)

Magnifique IV

Following the overwhelming success of our premium barges Magnifique, Magnifique II (2016), and Magnifique III (2018), we are proud to announce the construction of a new sister for the family: the Magnifique IV. This new addition will sail for Boat Bike Tours and Cultural Cruises Europe as of spring 2020.

Sailing under the Dutch flag:

Master shipbuilder Walter van Berkum is one of the most experienced operators of our fleet, having already converted several former cargo ships into luxury passenger barges. As the proud owner of the Magnifique IV, he is dedicated to ensuring this beautiful ship meets the highest standards of quality and comfort for our bike and barge tours. The Magnifique IV will sail under the Dutch flag and host several tours in the Netherlands and Belgium. Accommodating no more than 36 passengers plus crew, the vessel is designed to create a welcoming atmosphere and personal experience for everyone on board.

An impression of our newest ship:

The Magnifique IVs upper deck features a spacious and tastefully-decorated salon with air conditioning, a bar and lounge area. Here you will find large panoramic windows, a widescreen TV, and information screens displaying the barge's real-time location. Wi-Fi is also available. The comfortable and inviting restaurant is separated from the kitchen by a glass wall, so you can see our talented chefs in action. Large glass doors open onto a beautiful partially-covered teak sundeck, furnished with tables and chairs.

The front deck has space to accommodate bicycles, while the top deck boasts a hot tub and deckchairs, from which you can enjoy the scenery.

A variety of comfortable cabins:

In addition to the bar and lounge area, the upper deck houses 10 generous suites, while the lower deck houses eight twin cabins and the dining room. The spacious suites, each measuring 16 m² (172 ft²), have two separate beds, set next to each other as a hotel style bed (200 x 160 cm – 78 x 62 inches), a cozy sitting area, and a large sliding window. The twin cabins below deck, measuring 12 m² (129 ft²) feature two single beds and fixed portholes. All cabins have their own private bathroom with shower, basin and toilet; as well as individually-regulated air-conditioning, flat screen satellite TV, mini safe and hair dryer.

The Magnifique IV in numbers

Ship length: 67 m (220 ft)
Ship width: 7.2 m (23.6 ft)
Ship height: 5.9 m (19.4 ft)
Ship depth: 1.5 m (4.9 ft)
Cabins: 18
Passengers: 36 guests (plus crew)
Launch date: Spring 2020



Practical Info

If you have special dietary wishes (vegetarian meals, lactose intolerance or gluten-free diet), then please indicate this when you book your tour. Vegetarian meals are always available, but we need to know in advance; in all other cases we will check the possibilities for the tour of your choice. In some cases, a small fee for preparing special meals will be charged. This mainly applies to lactose or gluten-free meals.

Unfortunately, we cannot offer vegan meals. This is because the kitchens in our ships are not large enough to guarantee that the food can be prepared completely vegan. The available space on board is limited, so the chefs cannot store the necessary tools and supplies to prepare vegan food.

Included in this tour:

- 8 days/7 nights
- 7 x breakfast
- Packed lunches
- 6 x 3-course dinner
- Coffee and tea on board
- Welcome drink
- Use of bed linen and towels
- Daily cleaning of the cabin
- Climate-controlled cabin
- Daily briefings
- Fully guided cycling tours (2 tour leaders, 2 groups)
- Some short walking tours
- BBT cycling map (1 per cabin)
- GPS tracks
- Use of a helmet
- Use of a waterproof pannier bag
- Biodegradable water bottle
- Fees for ferries
- Entrance Red Star Line Museum in Antwerp
- Tasting Belgium products
- Canal trip through Ghent
- Wi-Fi
- Carbon offset payment to the non-profit organization Justdiggit

Excluded in this tour:

- 1x dinner (Antwerp or Bruges)
- Drinks
- Bicycle rental or E-bike rental
- Personal insurances
- Gratuities (at your discretion)
- Entrance fees and excursions (not mentioned under inclusions)
- Transfers to/from the docking place
- Parking fees
- SGR Insolvency protection

2024:

Bicycles: La Mar (Fiep) , Lena Maria / Magnifique II, III & IV

The bicycles on board is a unisex city bike with a low-entry and a riding position that is upright and comfortable. The bike is handmade in the Netherlands by Azor, specially designed by Boat Bike Tours. The bike consists of a lightweight aluminum frame and is equipped with responsive roller brakes (handbrake), a Shimano 7 speed nexus drive, Selle-Royal gel saddle (adjustable), an easy to use lock (fixed on frame) and the Schwalbe Marathon anti-puncture tyre. This all results in a lightweight, stable and reliable bike, good for many miles on the saddle.



The E-bike is an Azor Steps with Nexus 7 gears and hand brakes. The crank Shimano motor (400 WH) offers 4 support levels, The E-bikes have a comfortable gel saddle and a lock on the frame (or a comparable brand/model). Bicycle rent is optional. Guests are also allowed to bring their own bicycles/e-bikes (limited number of parking places available). Guests can book a parking place for a normal bicycle or a parking and charge station for an e-bike for a small additional fee. For safety reasons it is no longer possible to charge the batteries of your own e-bikes in the cabin. The crew will inform you where on deck/ on board you can recharge your battery. However, the crew or tour operators are in no way responsible for any damage, loss or theft of guests own bicycles or e-bikes. Prices of other bikes (e.g. children's bikes, "slip streamers"/tag-a-long, tandem bicycles etc. and child's saddles (rear) are on request.

Zwaantje

Our bikes are modern unisex bikes with 21 gears, an easy and low entry, two handbrakes, a lock and pannier bag. The E-Bike has hand breaks only, 3 gears and support levels, a lock and pannier bag. (limited available, only on request).

Parking own bicycle/E-Bike: it is not possible to bring your own bicycle/E-Bike, due to a lack of space on deck.

Rental bicycle Premium: € 96,00 per week (optional)

Rental E-Bike Premium: € 232,00 (only a limited number of electrical bikes available: pref. reservation by booking)

Parking own bicycle: €10 per week (only a limited number of parking places available: pref. reservation by booking)

Parking + charge station own E-Bike: €25 per week (only a limited number of parking places available: pref. reservation by booking)

Zwaantje: Parking own bicycle/E-Bike: it is not possible to bring your own bicycle/E-Bike on this ship, due to a lack of space on deck.

Transfer between Amsterdam and Bruges: There is a good train connection between these two cities. Please visit one of the following websites for timetables, tickets or more information www.omio.com or www.trainline.com. It's possible to purchase an optional limitation of liability for damage and loss of your rented bicycle or e-bike:

Limitation of liability (damage) rental bicycle € 10/tour

Limitation of liability (damage) rental e-bike € 25/tour

This package includes:

In case of theft of a properly locked bicycle, you are not liable for the loss/cost of the stolen bicycle, as long as you can present the original key of the lock as proof;

In case of a breakdown, technical failure or flat tire during your tour – but only after you have called and spoken to your tour leader – you can arrange the repair at a local bicycle shop (fietsenmaker). After presenting the receipt, repair costs will be reimbursed;

In case of damage, no cost for repair will be charged, except when this is a result of your own deliberate or neglectful acting;

When – as a result of a breakdown, technical failure or damage during your cycling tour – you cannot continue your cycling tour with this bicycle, and after you have spoken with your tour leader, you can safely store and lock the bicycle and travel to your ship by public transportation (if not available: by taxi). After arrival on board travel costs will be reimbursed;

If necessary and applicable, you can use another bicycle/e-bike for the remaining days of the tour at no extra costs.

** : These arrangements solely apply to and are valid for bicycles and E-bikes that have been rented from Boat Bike Tours. For tours, for which Boat Bike Tours is not the organizing tour operator (but the intermediary), and another partner company is the organizing tour operator, other arrangements may apply.

Please note: For safety reasons, it is not allowed to use the rental (e-) bikes for self-arranged rides in Amsterdam: in these cases, the limitation of liability does not apply.

Almost all of the rental bicycles are traditional touring bicycles (women's models) with 7 or 8 gears, hand brakes (some with pedal brake) and pannier bags. E-bikes feature a small electric engine and battery that assist and ease your pedaling, but they do not feature autonomous propulsion. It is like having a tailwind, so it is easier, but you still have to pedal.

Please note: all bicycles have normal pedals, no click pedals. So please wear ordinary sporting shoes. Changing pedals is not possible.

Prices for other rental bicycles, like children's bikes, tandems, trailer bikes (slip streamers), children's seats, and bike trailers are available on request. Guests are also allowed to bring their own bicycles or E-bikes, please let us know so we can reserve a space on board for you. However, the crew or tour operator is in no way responsible for any damage, loss or theft of such bicycles.



Parking in Amsterdam (valet parking): prices and pre-booking on request.

Embarking on a boat bike tour means leaving your worries behind. If you're arriving for one of our tours by car then you can start your carefree experience immediately thanks to the CentralParking valet service.

With this parking service, you can drive directly to your ship's departure dock. Arrange a drop-off time in advance and a CentralParking valet driver will be waiting to help you with your luggage. Your valet will then drive your car to a secure garage where it will be parked under 24/7 camera surveillance.

Set a pick-up time with CentralParking for your return and your car will be ready and waiting for you when the ship arrives, so you can set out on the road immediately.

