



Holland and Belgium at Tulip Time

WINDMILLS, CANALS, BELGIAN CHOCOLATE, WAFFLES, AND MILLIONS OF FLOWERS!!

**CRUISE THE DUTCH AND BELGIAN WATERWAYS IN SPRINGTIME!
7 NIGHTS ONBOARD THE BEAUTIFUL AMASERENA**

MARCH 26 - APRIL 3, 2025

Discover the beauty and history of the Dutch and Belgian waterways in the spring, cruising in high style on the sleek and elegant AmaSerena!

Admire the spectacular tulip carpets in Keukenhof Gardens. Visit the lush green countryside of Kinderdijk, home to the country's greatest concentration of windmills, and experience Amsterdam's distinctive architecture and vibrant nightlife. This is a wonderful opportunity to explore the great medieval cities of Antwerp and Ghent, and delve into the cultural traditions of the friendly Dutch and Flemish people who await you!

Itinerary

March 26, 2025 - Leaving on a Jet Plane

You'll board your overnight flight bound for Amsterdam today!

March 27, 2025 - Amsterdam Boarding

On arrival in **Amsterdam** today, you'll be met at the airport and assisted with your transfer onto the **AmaSerena**, your elegant home for the next 7 nights. After settling in, enjoy a **Welcome Dinner** onboard! (D)

March 28, 2025 - Amsterdam to Kampen

This morning the ship cruises the **IJsselmeer River** to **Kampen**, where you have a **choice of three activities**. The first is a tour of the charming, canal-laden village of **Giethoorn**, nicknamed the "**Dutch Venice**," with its picturesque **thatched-roof farmhouses** seemingly lifted straight from the pages of a fairytale! The second option is a visit to a **family-run tulip farm**, where you'll learn about growing these flowers, tour greenhouses and discover **over one million tulips in different colors**, species and phases of growth! Or those feeling more active may wish to join a **guided bike tour** through **West-Friesland**, where windmills, tulip fields and fruit orchards abound. (B/L/D)

March 29, 2025 - Bruinisse, Zierikzee and the Delta Works

After a scenic **cruise of the Delta** today, you can join a guided tour to the medieval harbor town of **Zierikzee**, brimming with delights from its 16th-century stone-built **Gravesteen** to its **lovely harbor-side shops and cafes**. Alternatively, you may prefer to explore the **Delta Works** storm surge barrier at the **Flood Museum**, which showcases steel doors that are 147 feet wide, an impressive series of dams and Dutch hydraulic engineering. Your third option is a **guided bike tour** through the historic city of **Bruinisse**. (B/L/D)

March 30, 2025 - Ghent and Bruges

Today, you can **choose a full day excursion to Bruges**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, or stay to **explore Ghent** in depth, or perhaps see a bit of each on a **highlights tour of both cities**. Bruges features many marvelous things to see, including Grote Market and the city's historic

center. Those who prefer seeing Ghent will have a choice between a **walking tour** and **chocolate tasting**, with highlights like Belfry Hall, the Koornlei, the Graslei and the Castle of the Counts. (B/L/D)

March 31, 2025 - Antwerp, Belgium

This **morning**, you'll have your choice of **three different excursions**. The first is a **walking tour of Antwerp** on which you'll see such renowned landmarks as Steen Castle, Grote Market, Brabo Fountain, and also enjoy a visit to the impressive **Cathedral of Our Lady**. Or you might prefer instead to take a **guided bike tour** of Antwerp. This **afternoon**, you can choose between a **Belgian chocolates and waffles tasting** or a visit to **Floralia**, an annual **spring flower show** that spans over **34 acres** and features approximately **one million bulbs** that are hand-planted each year by the castle staff. (B/L/D)

April 1, 2025 - Rotterdam, Kinderdijk and Delfshaven

This **morning** there are **five ways** you can discover **Rotterdam**. You can go on a **walking tour of Rotterdam**, nicknamed the "Gateway to



**** The complimentary shore excursion choices offered at every stop may vary from those described above by the date of your sailing. ****

Europe,” and taste local specialties. Alternatively, you can go to **Delft**, home of the painter Johannes Vermeer, Delft Blue earthenware and the Royal House, and visit the **Royal Delft Porcelain Factory** and Museum. For a more active outing, take a bike ride through Rotterdam past its famous landmarks and architecture. In the **afternoon**, venture to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of **Kinderdijk**, a lovely village renowned for having the country’s greatest concentration of **windmills**, all from the 18th century. Or you may pedal past the windmills from the seat of a bike. Or visit **Delfshaven**, where, on August 1, 1620, the Pilgrims departed on their epic journey aboard the Speedwell before boarding the Mayflower. (B/L/D)

April 2, 2025 - Amsterdam

After a morning of **scenic cruising** through **Amsterdam’s** historic harbor, you can venture out this afternoon on a smaller boat designed to glide beneath the city’s many bridges on a **scenic canal cruise**, seeing the beautiful homes that line the water, the fabled Skinny Bridge, and the famous house where **Anne Frank** spent years in hiding during World War II. Or you may prefer to go on an excursion to admire the spectacular display of millions of flowering tulips at world-famous **70-acre Keukenhof Gardens**. The ship stays overnight in Amsterdam. (B/L/D)

April 3, 2025 - Disembark Amsterdam and fly home

Your cruise comes to an end today. After disembarkation, you’ll proceed to the airport for your flight home. **Memories of Holland and Belgium at Tulip Time will be with you for years to come!** (B)

Tulip Time!

\$5,998.00

Cat. E - Fixed Window

\$6,298.00

Cat. D - Fixed Window

\$7,298.00

Cat. C - French Balcony

\$7,998.00

Cat. BB - Outside Balcony

\$8,198.00

Cat. BA - Outside Balcony

\$8,398.00

Cat. AB - Outside Balcony

\$8,598.00

Cat. AA - Outside Balcony

\$9,998.00

Cat. SS - Suite with French and Outside Balcony

Pricing is based on double occupancy!

Single supplement adds 50% to C, D and E categories, 75% to BA and BB, and 100% to all others.

SPECIAL SAVINGS!

Receive An Extra

\$750 OFF Per Person!!

Offer is limited to bookings by July 31, 2024 with double-occupancy only.

Past Ama Waterways guests receive an additional **\$100 off** per person!

Due to the intimate environment on river cruise vessels, once names and bookings are made, \$400.00 of your \$750.00 deposit will be nonrefundable from the time of booking. However, you may elect to purchase trip cancellation and interruption Travel Protection for this smaller amount of deposit at time of deposit. This will protect your deposit in the event of cancellation for reasons deemed allowable under the terms of the trip cancellation/interruption policy (as per the insurance carrier) up until final payment should you have to cancel.

Inclusions

- Roundtrip airport transfers including gratuities
- Round-trip International Airfare to Amsterdam (checked baggage fees are not included)
- Transfers from Amsterdam airport to hotel to AmaSerena, and from ship to airport on returning to Amsterdam
- 7 nights onboard the AmaSerena in your selected stateroom category
- **Included shore excursions throughout your river cruise!**
- Gentle, regular, active and late-riser tour options
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner while onboard the AmaSerena
- Cocktail Reception, Welcome Dinner & Captain’s Gala Dinner
- **Complimentary fine wines, choice of beer and soft drinks with lunch and dinner on board the AmaSerena!**
- Special highlights including onboard music performances and **daily complimentary Sip and Sail cocktail hour!**
- Portage of 1 full size suitcase, per person
- All taxes, government fees and fuel surcharges

** Please note river cruise itineraries are routinely subject to change **

Passports are required for this tour!

Trip cancellation/interruption Travel Protection is available and recommended.

Check with your club representative for details.

Call today to reserve your space!!!

Reservations for “**Holland and Belgium at Tulip Time!**” are accepted on a first come/first served basis.

An initial **\$750.00** deposit is required to hold space on this tour. Please note that there is a **\$400.00** penalty when canceling after deposit has been made. Optional Travel Protection is available and purchase is encouraged at time of initial trip deposit. Plans offer benefits for trip cancellation/interruption and more. See Plan Document for full details. This deposit minus **\$400.00** is refundable up to November 15, 2024.

Final payment is due in the TRIPS office on or before November 15, 2024, as well as any balance due on the full insurance premium.

Therefore, please make sure that payment is submitted to your club director at least 10 days prior to this date.

100% of your elected cabin becomes non refundable for cancellations as of November 15, 2024.

Make checks payable to **First State Bank / Travel and Leisure Club**

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