

## Bike & Boat: 5-day Tulip Tour Premium

5 days, € 819



### Introduction



Experience Holland in the best possible way: a gorgeous spring short break dominated by flowers. This 5-day mini-cruise plows through the most beautiful season of the year and will take you to gorgeous areas such as “the Garden of Amsterdam”. Enjoy some unforgettable days on board of a passenger barge with excellent service and an alternating itinerary. Amsterdam is also called, by some, the smallest metropolis of Europe. There are many unique museums, enticing shopping and, recently added to the UNESCO Cultural World Heritage list, the canals in the heart of Amsterdam certainly make a visit to Amsterdam a highlight. Visit the famous flower market in the center of the capital and discover the Zaanse Schans open air museum including windmills, a traditional cheese maker, a clog maker and an authentic traditional Dutch village. Other highlights of this trip are the historic city of Haarlem, the world famous flower park Keukenhof, near Lisse and the

largest flower auction\* in the world in Aalsmeer.

In collaboration with:  
Boat Bike Tours.

### Day to Day

#### Day 1 **Amsterdam | Amsterdam – Zaandam**

Embarkation and check-in, where the crew will welcome you on board, takes place at 2 p.m. As soon as all guests have arrived a short cruise will bring you to Zaandam, a spot famous for its windmills. Here, your barge will berth in the center of the city for the night. Upon arrival you can enjoy taking your new bike for a brief test ride through the surrounding area. In the evening, enjoy a short walk through the picturesque center of Zaandam.



- Day 2 **Zaandam – “Zaanse Schans” – Zaandam | Zaandam – Haarlem** **24 km**  
24 or 34 km  
After breakfast you will enjoy a 5 km bicycle ride to the open air museum “Zaanse Schans” with beautiful windmills, traditional wooden houses, an old Dutch village, a cheese farm and a traditional wooden clog maker. In the afternoon you have a choice to make: you can either cycle (24 km/14 mi.) to Haarlem or take it easy and join the barge while enjoying the scenery. In Haarlem visit the historical inner city with the Grote Markt and St. Bavo church. Your barge will be berthed not far from the center of Haarlem for the night, so you will have time to enjoy a short city walk in the afternoon or in the evening.
- Day 3 **Haarlem – Keukenhof – Oude Wetering** **38 km**  
38 or 55 km  
Today you will cycle to the Keukenhof, arguably the most famous flower park in the world where you can admire hundreds of thousands of tulips, daffodils, hyacinths and many other flowers in full bloom. After an extensive visit you will get back on your bicycle and will head to Oude Wetering, a small village, where your floating hotel will be waiting for you.
- Day 4 **Oude Wetering – Nieuwe Meer | Nieuwe Meer – Amsterdam** **28 km**  
This morning you are in for a real treat – an early visit by bus (6.30 a.m.) to the biggest flower auction\* in the world at Aalsmeer. In the morning millions of flowers are auctioned off here and are instantly sent out to all parts of the world. By 9 a.m. you will return on the your barge where a late breakfast will be waiting for you. After a short bike ride you will join the barge for an afternoon of sailing through Amsterdam. In Amsterdam you have the opportunity to discover this amazing city. Visit the inner city flower market, go to a museum, do some shopping... there is just so much to do! \*: The Aalsmeer flower auction is closed during weekends and on public holidays. This is an optional visit..
- Day 5 **Amsterdam**  
Disembarkation after breakfast until 9.30 a.m.: End of your trip.



## Prices, Data, Booking

### Prices per person

Cabin type	For	March – April 4th	April 5th – May
Twin cabin	2 pax	€ 949, -	€ 1.149, -
Premium twin (MAGII)	2 pax	€ 1.119, -	€ 1.319, -
Upper deck suite	2 pax	€ 1.369, -	€ 1.569, -
Single cabin (MAGIII)	1 pax	€ 1.229, -	€ 1.479, -
Twin for single use	1 pax	€ 1.423,50	€ 1.723,50

### Tour dates 2025:

**Magnifique II:** on March 29; April 2 and 6

**Magnifique III:** on March 31; April 4, 8, 12, 16, 20 and 25

**Magnifique IV:** on April 1, 5, 9 and 13

**Discount:** Triple cabins, 3rd bed only for child till 15 yrs. Triple twin – 30€ p.p.; Triple suite -60€ p.p. (not on MAG IV)

Dates in 2025 are already fully booked. We expect to have prices and dates for 2026 ready sometime in summer 2025.



## Accommodation

### Premiumship 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 m<sup>2</sup> – 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 m<sup>2</sup> – 140 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds and a small sitting area and twelve beautiful twin cabins (11 m<sup>2</sup> – 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. In winter '23/'24, the restaurant and lounge area of the ship will get a makeover with new flooring, furniture and decoration.

#### Facts about the ship:

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

### Premiumship 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 m<sup>2</sup> – 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 m<sup>2</sup> – 129 sq.ft.) with two separate single beds and two single cabins (approx. 7 – 9 m<sup>2</sup> / 75.3 – 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.)

**Premiumship Magnifique IV**

Following the overwhelming success of our premium barges Magnifique, Magnifique II (2016), and Magnifique III (2018), we are proud to announce the new sister for the family: the Magnifique IV (2020). 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.

Description of the 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 m<sup>2</sup> (172 ft<sup>2</sup>), 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 m<sup>2</sup> (129 ft<sup>2</sup>) 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.

Description of the ship:

The Magnifique IV's 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. 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:

- 5 days/4 nights
- 4 x breakfast
- Packed lunches
- 4 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
- Entrance Keukenhof
- Entrance North-Holland Dune reserve
- Visit mill at Zaanse Schans
- Fees for ferries
- Wi-Fi
- Carbon offset payment to the non-profit organization

### Excluded in this tour:

- 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 (5€ per person)

**Rental bicycle Premium:** € 60 per tour (optional)

**Rental E-Bike Premium:** € 152 per tour (only a limited number of electrical bikes available: pref. reservation by booking)

**Parking own bicycle:** € 8 per tour (only a limited number of parking places available: pref. reservation by booking)

**Parking + charge station own E-Bike:** € 16 per tour (only a limited number of parking places available: pref. reservation by booking)

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



For safety reasons it is not always possible to charge your e-bike batteries in your cabin. The crew will tell you where you can charge the battery on board the ship. Neither the crew or the company is responsible in any way for any damage, loss or theft of a guest's own bike or e-bike or its accessories. Note: not all the ships are suitable or have enough room for extra bikes, so make sure you check with us well ahead of travel.

It is possible to purchase an optional limitation of liability for damage and loss of your rented bicycle or e-bike **(more information here)**:

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.

**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.

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.

