



Through the Netherlands “South Holland” by Bike & Boat

MS SIR WINSTON 2020



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Discover the Netherlands in a unique way on an 8-days-journey by bike and boat. Well-built cycle paths as well as wide and extensive waterways guarantee an unforgettable holiday. Throughout the day you are cycling on your own through the beautiful landscapes in Rembrandt's and Van Gogh's country and in the late afternoon your "swimming hotel" MS SIR WINSTON will be at your disposal. And if you don't like to cycle every day, you can stay on board and enjoy the passing countryside.

The Province of the Southern Netherlands: You are travelling through the green heart of the Netherlands. Hardly any province is more changing and many-faceted than the Southern Netherlands. Big cities as well as untouched nature are so close to each other. The many waterways offer uncountable opportunities to discover the wonderful landscapes and culture historical highlights of the province "Zuid-Holland". Experience such different cities like Gouda and Schoonhoven and of course Rotterdam, also known as the "Manhattan on the river Maas". Gorgeous lakes like the Brassemermeer and not to forget the major porcelain manufacture in Delft with its "Delfter Blue".

Tour details (All times are subject to change):

Day	Port	Arrival	Dept.
Day 1	Amsterdam, Embarkation	15:00 hours	
Day 2	Amsterdam		09:30
Day 2	Zaandam	10:30	17:00
Day 2	Utrecht	21:00	
Day 3	Utrecht		10:00
Day 3	Gouda	16:00	
Day 4	Gouda		07:00
Day 4	Rotterdam	09:30	
Day 5	Rotterdam		11:30
Day 5	Schoonhoven	14:00	
Day 6	Schoonhoven		10:00
Day 6	Utrecht	13.00	
Day 7	Utrecht		09:00
Day 7	Amsterdam	12:30	
8.Tag	Amsterdam, Disembarkation	until 09:00 hours	

1st day: Individual arrival at Amsterdam

In Amsterdam you check in on board (embarkation is at 3 pm). In the afternoon and in the evening you have the opportunity to get to know the city of Amsterdam.

2nd day: Shipping Amsterdam – Zaandam - Utrecht, Cycle tour from Zaandam and back, approx. 31 km

You are starting your roundtrip by bike: crossing polderland you cycle via Westzaan to "De Schoolmeester", a paper mill which is maintained in full working order. It is the only wind powered paper mill in the world. From here you are cycling to the museum's village "Zaanse Schans", an open-air museum (entrance fee not included) which was built to show the Dutch historical heritage. You can visit an ancient Dutch village, a cheese manufacture, a shipyard, a Dutch wooden shoe manufacture, a museum of bakery, the Zaanse watch museum and the unique colour mill, De Kat. Connected with the exhibition terrain is the Zaanse museum, which gives an insight into the development of the "Zaanstreeks" as the first industrial area. Products like mustard, cheese, pastries, etc. are produced there and can be bought. You are cycling back to Zaandam through the recreational area of Twiske. Around 5 pm shipping to Utrecht.

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3rd day: Utrecht – Gouda, approx. 40 km

From Utrecht, cycle leisurely to the city of Gouda, which is famous for its cheese. You may take a detour to Kasteel de Haar, the largest castle of the Netherlands with its beautiful garden or you may take a refreshing bath in the lake Reeuwijkse Plassen. **Tip:** During the tulip-flowering season (departures 28 Mar-02 May) we offer an optional day excursion to Keukenhof by coach, transfers and entrance fee included (€ 59.- per person, only bookable in advance).

4th day: Shipping from Gouda to Rotterdam, Cycle tour from Rotterdam to Delft or from Rotterdam via Den Haag to Scheveningen, approx. 35 - 85 km

Prior to breakfast, MS SIR WINSTON leaves Gouda for Rotterdam. Here you have two options for today's cycling tour: First one will lead you to Delft (**Tip:** visit of the porcelain manufacture), second directly to the governmental seat Den Haag and to the North Sea coastal town and health resort Scheveningen and back. Alternatively, you can also go back to Rotterdam by train (rail and bike is not included, approx. € 15,- p. Pers, not in rush hour between 16:30 h and 18:00 h). **Tip:** you should experience the harbour of Rotterdam on an interesting harbour tour.

5th day: Shipping from Rotterdam to Schoonhoven, Cycle tour from Rotterdam to Schoonhoven, approx. 43 km You are cycling from Rotterdam to Kinderdijk (UNESCO World's Cultural Heritage with 19 windmills in a row) and further to Schoonhoven, known for its silver-making and its enchanting old-town.

6th day: Shipping from Schoonhoven to Utrecht, Cycle tour from Schoonhoven to Utrecht, approx. 40 km

Today you are cycling through the beautiful landscape of Polderland to Oudewater (witch's scales) and further on to Utrecht. The Utrecht Dome is one of the most important ones in the Netherlands.

7th day: Shipping from Utrecht to Amsterdam, Cycle tour from Utrecht to Amsterdam, approx. 50 km

Your cycle tour takes you along the small and winding river Vecht through beautiful landscapes. The river Vecht is also known as the "Loire of the Netherlands". Numerous castles and villas will be seen beside the river. **Tip:** a canal tour is the most beautiful way to get to know the city of Amsterdam.

8th day: Departure from Amsterdam

After breakfast checkout until 9:00 am and we are saying goodbye – have a safe journey home.

MS SIR WINSTON:

A cosy river boat with restaurant and bar. Loggia and sun deck with seats and store place for the bicycles. On the whole MS SIR WINSTON comprises 35 cabins: 22x2-bed-cabins and 2 single cabins on the Main Deck and 11x2-bed-cabins with additionally air condition on the Promenade Deck (2-bed approx. 7 sqm, 1-bed approx. 6 sqm). All cabins are small and practicable with two beds standing in a right angle (1 bed cabin with 1 bed) shower/toilet, TV and safe (key-deposit). The windows can be opened on both decks. **Technical data:** Length 67.33 m. Width 6,70 m. Max. 68 passengers. Dutch flag and guidance.



Important remarks:

Your journey to and from Amsterdam will be individual. • Basically, we reserve the right to make changes of routing and program. If there is low or high water and a route cannot be shipped, the captain reserves the right to change the route in view of your safety (this cannot be accepted as a reason for free withdrawal). • The interior of the ship is a non-smoking zone: smoking is only allowed on the sun deck. As a safety measure, a statutory smoking ban applies in all cabins; this means that all cabins and rooms on board are non-smoking areas. • **Embarkation:** 3-5 pm • **Disembarkation:** after breakfast at 9 am. • **Bicycles on board:** unisex trekking bicycles with normal mount (ladies model), 7 gears, hand brake and pedal brake or hand brakes only (subject to availability) and pannier bag. E-Bikes are on these tours only available after prior request (by booking) and confirmation and at limited number. **Please indicate your body height when you book.** • **To bring your own bike:** on request only – due to lack of space on sundeck. • **Languages on board:** German, English • **Cycle tours:** all distances are "approximate distances" of recommended bike tours. When a guest does not want to cycle one day, she/he can skip the bike tour and relax on board while cruising to the next harbour. The bike tours are individual, at your own pace, without a tour guide, but with daily briefings on board and detailed bicycle maps and directions. Nearly all cycle tours can be classified as being easy. • **Excursions:** we offer a small excursion program, that can be booked directly on board at the cruise director only. You will get a brief description together with your travel documents. Depending on the number of participants some excursions could be carried out in 2 languages (German/ English). • **Luggage:** we recommend: rainwear, bicycle helmet, sunhat and sneakers. • **Travel documents:** EU-citizens (without special situations like dual citizenship, main residence abroad or a limited-validity passport) are required to have a valid passport or ID-card, not expiring within six(6) months of the return of your cruise. We kindly ask non-EU citizens,

EU-nationals with multiple citizenship or anybody who has to respect special legal entry requirements for the country to visit, to inform about visa and entry documents at the competent embassy. • **This trip is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility.**

Travel dates 2020:

Season A: 28Mar-04Apr / 03Oct-10Oct

Season B: 04Apr-11Apr / 26Sept-03Oct

Season C: 11Apr-18Apr / 12Sept-19Sept / 19Sept-26Sep

Season D: 18Apr-25Apr / 25Apr-02May / 05Sep-12Sep

Season E: 02May-09May / 09May-16May / 16May-23May / 23May-30May / 30May-06June / 06June-13June / 13June-20June / 20June-27June / 27June-04July / 04July-11July / 11July-18July / 18July-25July / 25July-01Aug / 22Aug-29Aug / 29Aug-05Sept

Prices per person in Euro:					
Travel dates from Saturday to Saturday	A	B	C	D	E
Two-bed Main Deck	499.-	569.-	669.-	749.-	799.-
Two-bed Promenade Deck	639.-	709.-	809.-	889.-	939.-

+ 50% Two-bed cabin for single use (only limited availability). Single cabin (2 x Main Deck) with no extra charge (please indicate by the booking "1-Bed without supplement")

€ 75.- 7-gear rental bike, hand brake and pedal brake or hand brakes only (subject to availability), back bags and rental bike insurance

€ 165.- E-Bike (advance reservation, limited number) with back bags and rental bike insurance

Day excursion to Keukenhof Gardens (approx. 9:30 – 16:30 hours):

Dates: Monday March: 30, April: 06/13/20/27, May: 04

Minimum passenger 20, max. passenger 30. **Price per person: € 59.-**

Services included: Transfers by coach from/to ship, entrance fee to Keukenhof Gardens, approx. 5 hours free to visit.

Services included:

- Seven nights in outside cabins with private facilities in the booked cabin category
- Programme according to routing from/to Amsterdam
- All charges for harbours, bridges and locks
- Room cleaning every day, changing of towels and bed cloths if wanted
- Welcome-Drink
- Full board consisting of 7x breakfast buffet, 6x lunch snack on board (non-cyclists) or lunch package for cycle tours, 6x coffee or tea in the afternoon, 7x 3-course-dinner
- Daily meeting for the cycle tours
- Printed instructions and detailed maps for daily individual bike tours (1 per cabin)
- GPS tracks
- Tour guide on board

Not included:

Journey to and from Amsterdam, shuttles, bike rental, entrance fees and excursions, city maps, ferry fees, travel insurances, parking fees, tips, drinks on board

Passenger car parking options in Amsterdam (subject to change):

For example: Parking Oosterdok www.parkingcentreamsterdam.com, economy fare approx. € 20.-/24 h or Valet Parking Service (via holiday extras), approx. € 145.-/week (Rate depends on capacity; application form with your booking confirmation).

Minimum number of participants: 40 guests (must have been reached within 21 days prior to departure). You may cancel the booking at any time. For cancellation fees, please refer to the booking conditions of SE-Tours. The tour operator's terms and conditions apply: SE-Tours GmbH, [Am Grollhamm 12a, 27574 Bremerhaven](https://www.se-tours.de). We recommend that you take out a travel health insurance with repatriation coverage as well as baggage, accident and travel cancellation insurances.

Reservations:

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