



Going with the flow in the Northern Netherlands

5 days / 4 nights

Known as a cycling paradise, the Netherlands is the home of an extraordinary past and culture. It also offers a blend of idyllic country beauty with its magnificent Tulip fields, ponds, streams and canals as well as its traditional farmlands, windmills and museums. With this cycling tour, you will pedal your way through authentic little villages, such as Edam or Volendam, and discover picturesque landscapes, polders or even the IJsselmeer.

YOUR PROGRAM

Day 1 - Edam and Hoorn (60 km)

During your first day of cycling, visit Edam and Hoorn. The name of Edam comes from the River IJ, around which the town of IJedam was built. Edam is mostly famous for its succulent cheese.

After leaving Edam, you will cycle through another interesting and typically Dutch town called Hoorn. During the Golden Age (1584-1702), Hoorn was a strategic maritime point for the Dutch East India Company.

End the day by riding through the marvellous Zeevang polder, which will take you all the way up to your hotel.

Distance: 60 km.



Day 2 - The Beemster (47 km)

Go on to discover the Beemster and its polder. Once a lake whose water was pumped by more than fifteen windmills during the 17th century, this polder has now been inscribed on UNESCO's list of World Heritage Sites.

You will then cross the beautiful village of 'De Rijk', which was once a fishing village. Then, explore another village, which will offer you the chance to travel back in time and to discover the maritime history of the Netherlands. You will also have nice views over the windmills of Lake Schermer.

Distance: 47km.



Day 3 - Volendam and Amsterdam (60 km)

Start today's journey by taking a boat trip to the peninsula of Marken, where Dutch traditions run deep and where villages have maintained their timeless peaceful atmosphere. Charming little wooden houses also populate the enchanting streets of the peninsula.

As for Volendam, it is an authentic little Dutch town, with an important cultural heritage. Its political role was once as important as that of Edam.

You will end today's trip in the great metropolis of Amsterdam.

Distance: 60 km.



Day 4 - The Zaanse Schans (46 km)

The Zaanse Schans is one of the most famous touristic locations in the Netherlands. There are so many windmills and wooden houses in the area that Zaanse Schans almost appears like an open-air museum.

You will then cycle through the polder of De Wijde Wormer, which once was a lake similar to the polder of Beemster, but which has since then been drained for arable farming.

Distance: 46 km.



Day 5 - Your trip ends here

Your trip ends here, after breakfast.

Additional information

TARIFFS

Price from 279 euros per person.

OPTIONS

Renting a hybrid bike - 4 days : 50 euros per person.

Insurance Hybrid bike : 12 euros per person.

Electric bike rental - 4 days : 110 euros per person.

Insurance E-bike : 20 euros per person.

Child bike rental - 4 days : 50 euros per person.

Baby seat - 4 days : 20 euros per person.

Half-board supplement (4 dinners - 3 courses) : 110 euros per person.

Summer supplement (15/06 - 27/08) : 30 euros per person.

Supplement for nights in single bedroom : 105 euros per person.

Deluxe room extra cost : 40 euros per person.

Supplement for nights in single bedroom Deluxe : 135 euros per person.

INCLUDED

4 nights in 3 ou 4 star hotels

Bedroom with en-suite bathroom

4 breakfasts

Information package with maps and road-books

Free car park at the hotel,

Hotel taxes

hotline service (including de week-end)

Possibility of half-board in option (4 dinners - courses).

NOT INCLUDED



Ferry crossing from Volendam to Marken : +/- 8€ to be paid on the spot
Transport options to the meeting point and from the point of dispersal
Personal travel insurance,
Lunches
Evening meals in option (4 dinners - 3 courses)
Bike rental in option

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

Easy. Road surface: flat. Distances: from 46 and up to 60 km a day.

ACCOMMODATION

4 star hotels (double or twin bedroom with private bathroom and toilets).
Reduction (with 2 adults in a bedroom): child 0-3 years-old -100%, 4-11 years-old -50%.

SIZE OF GROUP

From 2.personns

DEPARTURES

Every day from the 28th of March to the 27th of October.

DEPARTURE

At your hotel in Purmerend.

DISPERSION

End in Purmerend after breakfast.

HOW TO GET THERE

- Schiphol airport (Amsterdam) + train journey to Amsterdam Centraal + underground stop Amsterdam-Noord and bus n°307 - bus stop: Bunderstraat Purmerend (5 minutes away from your hotel).
- Motorway (in the direction of Purmerend), free parking space.
- Amsterdam Centraal station + underground stop Amsterdam-Noord and bus n°307 - bus stop: Bunderstraat Purmerend (5 minutes away from your hotel).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

4 loops, from and back to your hotel, in the order you want. Possibility to add an extra night to your tour (on request).