

Tour Itinerary: Explore Holland and Belgium in more ways than ever. Begin in Amsterdam and sail to Belgium, marvel at the artistry and natural beauty of the region. In Brussels, explore by bike, take a guided tour, or walk the ancient streets and sample treats at a Belgian chocolate-making workshop. In Antwerp, discover centuries of history, take an architecture tour by bicycle through Rotterdam or create a classic Delft tile in a pottery workshop.

Day 1, Sun., Aug. 15: Depart the U.S. and travel to Amsterdam. Travel to O'Hare International Airport and board your overnight flight to Holland.

Day 2, Mon., Aug. 16: Amsterdam, Holland (Embarkation 5pm). Welcome to Amsterdam! This morning, board the *Tranquility II and* settle into your room. The rest of the afternoon at your leisure to enjoy the city or join an optional excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses. Holland's sophisticated, modern capital has a rich and fascinating history covering over 700 years. With its elegant and classic architecture, cafes and restaurants and over 60 museums, Amsterdam has a distinct ambiance. This evening mingle with your fellow travelers, meet your crew and enjoy dinner on board. (D)

Day 3, Tue., Aug. 17: Middelburg. This morning, choose a guided walking tour of the historic merchant city of Middelburg with its 15th-century gothic Town Hall, where you'll learn about the spice trade of this Dutch harbor capital of Zeeland, its prosperity in the Dutch East India Company trading, and origins as a stronghold city. Enjoy its winding cobbled streets and canals that circle Old Town. Or, visit a family owned Oyster Farm that is active in the cultivation of crustaceans and shellfish in the Netherlands since 1906. A taste of oysters and lobster,





accompanied with a glass of wine is the perfect ending of this beautiful experience. Rejoin your ship for lunch and a short cruise to Veere, where you can join a guided tour of the Delta Works, the largest flood-protection system in the world, and a miracle of modern technology. After the flood of 1953, during which more than 1,800 people drowned in one night, the Delta Plan was born to prevent a disaster of this magnitude from ever happening again. (B,L,D) Day 4, Wed., Aug. 18: Ghent. You'll have time for an early-morning walk (or jog) to explore the architecture and canals of Ghent, "Belgium's best-kept secret." Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Ghent and learn how it's managed to preserve its medieval charm and power while keeping up with the times. Visit St. Bavo's Cathedral, which houses remark-

Tour Inclusions

- Round-trip group estimated airfare from Chicago
- Round-trip transfers and luggage handling in Amsterdam
- Seven nights aboard your luxurious floating hotel: Tranquility II
- All meals while cruising including beer, wine and soft drinks from the region with all onboard lunches and dinners
- Admissions and sightseeing per itinerary (including audio headsets)
- Professional Cruise Director and local guides at every port
- Free onboard gratuities & 2 free drinks per person

Tour Price Per Person Based on Double Occupancy

Category E \$4,979 Category D \$5,187 Category B \$6,284 Category A \$6,336 Category P \$6,441

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able art treasures, including the most important work in Flemish art. If you are looking to be more active and adventurous today, choose a guided mountain bike tour to explore the outskirts of the city and the lesser known sights of Ghent. Or, choose to join a full day optional guided excursion to Bruges to explore its canals, cobbled streets and medieval buildings. You'll see the crisscrossed canals, the 13th century belfry of Market Square and its charming patrician houses. (B,L,D)

Day 5, Thu., Aug. 19: Brussels: Today, bike through Brussels and learn all there is to know about its history and culture. Your local guide will not only show you the must-see sights, but also some hidden spots. Or, join a Belgian chocolate-making workshop to learn how to create your own delicious candies along with a cup of the finest hot chocolate, while crafting traditional confections of pralines and mendiant from scratch. For a more classic experience, take a guided tour of Brussels and see the Town Hall with its landmark buildings, discover the many local bars, cafés, and shops of the Lower Town Streets, and visit the Atomium. The afternoon is free to explore Brussels, admire its magnificent palaces and cathedrals. Later enjoy live entertainment on board. (B,L,D)

Day 6, Fri., Aug. 20: Antwerp, Belgium. Antwerp is Belgium's second largest city and one of the world's most important seaports. On your included sight-seeing tour, you will see the superb architecture; the central Grote Market, lined with 16th-century houses; the beautiful city hall, completed in 1566; and the Church of Our Lady, started in 1352, featuring paintings by Rubens. Follow in the footsteps of the emigrants, become acquainted with the Red Star Line passengers and accompany them on their trip from their native village via



Antwerp to the new world. You might prefer to take time on your own to indulge in Antwerp's signature Belgian waffles and crêpes or explore this bike-friendly city from its old wharfs to its legendary diamond district. Tonight enjoy dinner and live entertainment as your cruise overnight to Rotterdam. (B,L,D)

Day 7, Sat., Aug. 21: Rotterdam. Discover your inner artist when you attend a pottery workshop, in a characteristic painter's room while a professional painter will guide you through the process of painting a Delft tile. You can also choose to discover the architectural highlights of Rotterdam on a unique Architecture Bike Tour throughout the city. Do not miss the interesting Cube Houses, the popular Market Hall, the spectacular Erasmus Bridge, the vertical city 'De Rotterdam', and the iconic Central Station. In the city center, admire how historic buildings mix with hypermodern skyscrapers. This evening before dinner, enjoy a cruise through Rotterdam harbor. (B,L,D)

Day 8, Sun., Aug. 22: Amsterdam. This morning, join a biking tour through the Dutch countryside past polders, dykes, and quaint centuries-old villages. Or, enjoy a guided canal cruise to explore the iconic waterways and sites of Amsterdam. This afternoon, choose to attend a painting class and be inspired by the masters' techniques as you paint your own canvas and discover your inner artist. An orientation walk will complete your experience or take some free time to explore Amsterdam's colorful streets and canal houses, galleries, and shops. (B,L,D)

Day 9, Mon., Aug. 23: Amsterdam. Your vacation comes to an end today, but you will have many memories to take home with you. After disembarkation, you will return to the airport for your flight back to Chicago. (B)

Avalon Waterways: Tranquility II

- Comfort Collection beds and spacious closets
- Large, private bathrooms with full showers, hairdryers
- L'Occitane bath products, bathrobes and slippers
- Flatscreen satellite TV, individual climate control
- Complimentary Wi-Fi, direct-dial telephone, in room safe
- Well-stocked mini-bar, complimentary bottled water
- Fitness Center, Sky Deck whirlpool
- Onboard lectures, activities and nightly entertainment



TOUR APPLICATION

TOUR NAME: Holland & Belgium

TOUR DATES: August 15-23, 2021

TOUR # H3159

Note: The name on your tour documents and airline tickets must match your passport name. One form per address, please.

Please provide a copy of your current passport with the application

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TOUR TERMS AND CONDITIONS - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

I.D./Citizenship: Travelers must possess a passport valid for at least six months beyond the tour dates with names matching those on their tour and flight reservations. Complete name, gender and birth date are required to confirm reservations per TSA/airline requirements.

Deposits and Payments: Please make checks payable to Burkhalter Tours. Most major credit cards are also accepted. A deposit of \$300 per person is required to secure reservations. All tour confirmations are subject to receipt of signed tour application and payment verification. **Final payment is due before May 11, 2021.**

Cancellations/Refunds: All cancellations are subject to a \$50 Burkhalter Tours service fee that may not be covered by tour operator insurance. In addition to the service fee and possible airline penalties, tour cancellation penalties are as follows:

Cancel prior to May 11, 2021: Deposit is non-refundable

Cancel after May 11, 2021: Trip is non-refundable

No refund will apply on unused portions of the tour. If a roommate cancels, the remaining traveler may have to pay any single room supplement that is incurred. Name changes and departure date changes are considered reservation cancellations and are subject to cancellation fees. Once issued, airline tickets are 100% non-refundable.

Travel insurance: We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance to protect your investment and also to give you medical coverage in case of an emergency during the trip. Avalon Waterways offers a protection plan, but other plans are also available based on your needs. Most protection plans should be purchased at time of deposit. Ask your agent for more information.

Tour Conditions: This tour is a regular Avalon departure and no minimum number of Burkhalter travelers is required for the tour to operate. All arrangements are based upon tariffs in effect on date of brochure production and are subject to change. Once deposit has been received, any changes to air or land arrangements may be assessed a \$50 revision fee. Revision fees may be higher once air is ticketed. Itinerary is subject to change by the tour operator.

Air Transportation: The airfare portion of the tour price is subject to change until ticketed. Group airfares may require a minimum of 10 travelers. Airline schedules and routing are subject to change by the airlines at any time. Group seat assignments are usually done by the airline, and changes are subject to availability, which may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your enjoyment of the tour, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking with the group. Airline seat assignments may only be requested after final payment and may be limited in availability.

Accommodations: Your river ship and tour hotels are first-class or better properties with private ensuite facilities. Hotels are subject to change.

Traveler Fitness: Travelers should be in reasonably good health, able to board a motorcoach in a timely manner, climb stairs and walk moderate distances over sometimes uneven ground. Individuals with physical and/or cognitive limitations must be accompanied by an able individual who will assume complete responsibility for them. Tour personnel and hosts cannot and will not provide this kind of assistance.

Passenger Consent Agreement: Department of Transportation regulations require that we inform you that your purchase is subject to supplemental price increases beyond our control that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Such increases may come about due to increased fees, fuel surcharges, government tax increases, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination of these events. Post-purchase price increases may be applied to your invoice due to these unforeseen cost increases from suppliers. While a post-purchase price increase is rare and not anticipated, Burkhalter Tours will inform you of any increases as soon as possible. By signing the tour application and making your deposit, you are acknowledging that you have been made aware and accept the fact that such increases may occur, and that you agree to pay Burkhalter Tours accordingly.

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