



Tulip Time Route Guide

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Tulip Time Map



Amsterdam Day 1

- Embarkation

Amsterdam Day 2

- Morning Usselmeer scenic cruising to Hoorn
- Tulips and Bulb Fields family farm visit
- Or Hoorn walking tour
- Or Zuiderzee (maritime) Museum
- Or Dutch countryside bike tour

Delta Day 3

- Scenic cruising
- Medieval Middleburg walking tour (historic docks and buildings of the Dutch East India Trading Company)
- Or Delta Works (flood control engineering works) visit
- Middleburg Bike ride

Ghent Day 4

- Highlights of Ghent and Brugge
- Or Ghent walking tour and free time
- Or Belgian chocolate workshop
- Or Full-Day Brugge and Church of Our Lady

Ghent, Belgium Overview

- Ghent is another important medieval city, and it was the capital of Flanders and a wealthy trading center with numerous powerful guilds in its heyday.
- Much of it is pedestrian only in the old town and a joy to visit, especially the older buildings and impressive churches. It has some very interesting architecture buildings, especially in the old harbor area.
- The famous Jan van Eyck wooden altar pieces are on display behind a glass protective barrier.
- Our first visit was in 2012. We visited Ghent again in December 2018 and found it quite fun and a worthwhile stop.

Ghent, Belgium One of the Canals

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Cathedral of St.
Bavon. Inside is
the famous Altar
of Ghent painted
by Jan van Eyck



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Graslei Canal, Ghent, Belgium. Most of these buildings are old guild houses



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Tour Boat on a Canal of Ghent



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Brugge

- Brugge is one of the best preserved medieval cities in Europe.
- Full of canals, it once was a prosperous trading center, especially in the wool trade.

Bruges Canal



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Brugge

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Market Square

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Burg Square City Hall



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Madonna and Child by Michelangelo

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Antwerp Day 5

- Walking tour and Cathedral visit
- Or Rubens House
- Or Antwerp bike tour
- Belgium chocolate, beer and waffle tasting
- Or Floralia Flower Show, just outside of Brussels, where over 1 million hand planted bulbs flower.

Antwerp, Belgium Overview

- Antwerp is located on the Scheldt River, and world famous for diamond trading and cutting.
- Antwerp has a small castle fortress right at the river port area.
- It has an excellent square with impressive guild buildings and a monster killing statue to protect the residents in the main square.
- It is a fun and easy walking city—we would return.

Antwerp, Belgium Castle

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Antwerp Belgium Waffles



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Antwerp, Belgium Chocolate Shop



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Antwerp, Belgium Chocolate Display



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Antwerp, Belgium Town Hall in the Grote Markt



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Barbo statue. According to the legend, a terrible giant, called Druoon Antigoon, lived on the banks of the river Scheldt. He demand tolls, when refused he cut off the hands of offending sailors. A Roman soldier, Silvius Brabo, killed the giant and by cutting his hand off, he ended his reign of terror.



Antwerp, Belgium Guild Houses

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Rotterdam Day 6

- Rotterdam walking tour and Tastes of Rotterdam
- Or Delfshaven excursion (departure point of the Pilgrim fathers in 1620 to the US)
- Or Rotterdam architectural bike tour
- Or “Best of Delft” Royal Delft Porcelain excursion
- Kinderdijk UNSECO Windmills afternoon tour
- Or Kinderdijk bike tour

Kinderdijk

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Amsterdam Day 7

- Morning Kuekenhof Garden excursions
- Afternoon Amsterdam Canal cruise
- Or Floriade which features stunning gardens, and innovative sustainable gardening exhibits (it happens only once every decade).

Amsterdam, Netherlands

- Amsterdam is the capital and largest city of the Netherlands.
- It is known for its elaborate canal system, narrow houses with gabled roofs, art museums and bike riders.
- Your cruise will include a canal boat cruise on the famous canals of Amsterdam.

Canal Cruise



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The Famous Gabled Roofs

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Rijksmuseum



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Skinny Bridge, Amsterdam



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Keukenhof Gardens



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Amsterdam Day 8

- Disembarkation

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