



## *Bruges - Brussels, MS Mecklenburg*

### FASCINATING FLANDERS.

It is not only the large Flemish towns like Bruges, Brussels, Ghent and Antwerpen that demonstrate Flanders' artistic treasures. Whilst cycling along the towpath of the old canals and via tree-lined alleys you will go through ancient villages where village beer is still brewed as it was back in Grandad's days. For those of you who try the village beer either in one of the traditional pubs or under the trees, you are sure to get a glass raised to you - especially if you arrived by bike.

Combine interesting bike tours and lots of great excursions with a pleasant stay on board your 'floating hotel'. Whilst you cycle through the lovely landscape, the boat will follow you along the rivers and canals in order to become your hotel boat again in the evening. If you don't always fancy cycling, that's fine - you can stay on the boat and enjoy the scenery as it passes by.

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*Easy*



8 Days / 7 Nights



Guided Group Tour



Minimum number of participants:  
18 Personen

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# Itinerary

DAY  
1

## *Arrival in Bruges*

Arrival in Bruges as arranged by you. Your boat will be waiting for you at Bruges harbour. The team will give you a warm welcome from 3pm on. Take some time today to explore some of the town's attractions.

"Venice of the North" is well known throughout Europe as a city of art and museums. Its city centre has lots of canals and is on the UNESCO World Cultural Heritage List. Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee while watching the hustle and bustle at the "Grote Markt".

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DAY  
2

## *Trip around Bruges to the North Sea*

| approx. 55 km

Today you cycle via Damme, which is a little town and where Till Eulenspiegels was born. You will also go via Groot Ter Doest where there is Ter Doest abbey, which is worth a visit. You then arrive in Lissewege - "Flanders' loveliest city". There are white-washed houses on both sides of the little canal and an impressive village church.

You then head to Blankenberge seaside resort. There is a long sandy beach with numerous cafes where you can relax. After about 2 hours it is time to head back to Bruges.

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DAY  
3

## *Bruges – Gent*

| approx. 40 km

Whilst you eat breakfast, the barge will sail to Moerebrugge. Today's bike tour follows the canal from Ghent to Oostende. You will cycle through the stretched Flemish landscape to Ghent. The lovely illuminated streets in the town centre are ideal for a stroll. The architectural richness in Ghent's historical centre has been well maintained. During the Middle Ages, Ghent was the 2nd largest European city after Paris. The landing stage is next to a lock about 15 minutes away from the city centre by bike.

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DAY  
4

## *Gent – Dendermonde – Sint Amands*

| approx. 50 km

After breakfast you will cycle to Dendermonde. Here you can't escape a tea or coffee break on the beautiful Flemish Grote Market square. In the evening, the boat continues to Sint Amands along one of the nicest sections of the river Schelde due to how windy it is.

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DAY  
5*Sint Amands – Antwerp* | approx. 40 km

Today you will cycle past the water tower and you will cross the Brussels-Rupel canal. The tour continues through a historical brick factory area between Boom and Niel where bricks have been made since the Middle Ages.. and still are being made!

From Rupelmonde you will have a lovely and leisurely cycle tour to Hemiksem, to reach Antwerp in the end. This harbour city on the river Schelde is one of the world's major diamond cities and has many highlights. These include the City Hall (one of several majestic buildings constructed in the Renaissance), the historical City Square Grote Market, the Onze-Lieve-Vrouwe cathedral and the medieval Steen Castle. Dinner will be in a restaurant of your choice.

DAY  
6*Antwerp – Lier – Willebroek* | approx. 45 km

After breakfast you cycle to Willebroek via Lier where the MS QUO VADIS will be awaiting you. Subject to interest und sufficient interest, a beer tasting session will be held on board (surcharge).

DAY  
7*Willebroek – Mechelen – Vilvoorde – Brussels*

| approx. 40 km

Whilst the barge is sailing along the Willebroek canal, you will complete your last cycle ride through the rolling green countryside via Mechelen to Vilvoorde. A remarkable thing about Mechelen is that there are over 300 listed buildings. 8 of these are churches within less than 3 square kilometres. From Vilvoorde you will sail with the barge to Brussels. Make sure you go for a walk through the historical city centre, along the gothic town hall, the beautiful guild houses on the Grote Markt and the "Männeken Pis".

DAY  
8*Departure*

After breakfast until 09:30 it is time to disembark. Journey home as arranged by you.

# Tour character

A tour for 'fair-weather cyclists' - this tour is suitable for everyone with an average level of fitness. The route mainly goes along tarmac bike paths, agricultural roads but also along field and forest paths. There are short sections that go along busier and faster roads. The route is mainly flat but there are hills sometimes.

Guided and self-guided bike tours: The guided tours are finalised by your guide depending on the ability of the group. Those on self-guided tours get route books, which they can collect from the boat upon arrival. You will cycle approx. 40 - 60km each day. All of the mentioned distances are approximations of the recommended routes.



# Prices and events

*Place of arrival: Bruges*

## Season 1

15.05.2021 | 29.05.2021 | 12.06.2021 | 10.07.2021 | 24.07.2021 | 07.08.2021 | 21.08.2021 |

Arrival Saturday

### Bike & Boat Flanders - Bruges-Brussels - MS Mecklenburg, 8 days, BE-FLSBG-08G

Base price 999.00

Surcharge 2-bed-cabin  
single use 50%

## Our rental bikes

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7-gear with back brake 75.00

7-gear with freewheel 75.00

Electric bike with freewheel 165.00

E-Bike with back brake 165.00

Prices per person in EUR

# Services and infos

## Services

### Included:

- Program according to itinerary
- 7 nights stay in an outer cabin with shower/toilet in the booked cabin category
- Full board: 7x breakfast, 6x small lunch or packed lunch for your bike tours, 6x coffee and tea in the afternoon (until 4pm), 7x three-course dinner
- Welcome drink
- Daily cleaning of cabins
- Linen and change of towels if required
- All harbour, bridge and lock fees
- Daily bike tour briefing
- Local tour guide on guided bike tours; self-guided trips with route book (available on board)
- GPS data
- Rental bike insurance

## Infos

### Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Trainstation Bruge Stationsplein
- Car park in Bruges e.g. at the train station (Stationsplein) ca € 5-7
- Return journey by train about €18 per person.

### Number of participants:

- Minimum of 15 people until 21 days before arrival

### Notes:

- Further important information according to the package travel law and additional information about your bike and boat trip can be found [here!](#)

# Accommodation



## *MS Mecklenburg*

The MS Mecklenburg is a very comfortable river boat with a personal atmosphere and during this tour your floating hotel!

***Beds:*** 22

***Cabinsize:*** 8-9 m<sup>2</sup>

***Crew:*** 4

***Length:*** 41 m

***Width:*** 5 m

***Height:*** 3,85 m

***Draught:*** 1,20 m

# Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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**Book now**

