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Amsterdam - Brussels

TO THE CENTER OF EUROPE.

This international bicycle holiday starts in the heart of the Dutch capital and finishes in the epicentre of Europe, Brussels. It's a one-way route, 375 kilometres long, past a string of exceptional and historically precious Dutch and Flemish towns. In-between towns, enjoy the peace and quiet of the Dutch and Flemish countryside with age-old farmhouses and dominating church spires.

Easy



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided Tour

To the online version



Itinerary

DAY
1

Arrival in Amsterdam

Your cycling holiday starts in Amsterdam, one of the crown-jewels of Europe. With so much to see and do, you couldn't wish for a more vibrant way to kick off your holiday. If you arrive early, make sure to go for a walk to marvel at the townhouses in the 17th-century canal district (listed as World Heritage). Have you got time and energy left? Opt to saunter down the infamous red-light district which attracts millions of curious tourists every year; or enjoy the street performers on friendly Rembrandtplein. Please note: If you come by car, you can rent a parking space at your hotel for the duration of your holiday.

DAY
2

Amsterdam – Gouda | approx. 80 km

The first leg of the route takes you through the Green Heart of Holland, abounding in water. It is a true cycling paradise, with characteristic peat and polder landscapes, small farming communities and picturesque historical towns such as Oudewater. It was to this place that women who had been accused of witchcraft fled from all over Europe to try to have their innocence proven by weighing. End the day in medieval Gouda. Amble through the beautifully preserved town centre and visit the old town hall and St. John's church. Stop off at a bakery to buy fresh syrup waffles (Gouda is the hometown of syrup waffles) and Gouda cheese - perhaps the world's most famous type of cheese.

DAY
3

Gouda – Papendrecht | approx. 50 km

Today's highlight is one of the Netherlands' most popular tourist attractions: Kinderdijk, a world-famous complex of windmills. Nineteen historical windmills reach to the skies in the epitome of classical Dutch countryside. You can visit an authentic workshop and find out how these mills were built and how they work. Have you always wanted to be a miller? This is where you can still learn the trade! You will stay the night in Dordrecht, one of the Netherlands' oldest towns. A visit to the scenic harbour quarter with its wonderful historical buildings should not be missed.

DAY
4*Papendrecht – Bergen op Zoom* | approx. 70 km

In the morning, the route will take you right past one of the few remaining fresh-water tidal areas in Europe: Biesbosch National Park. Upon crossing a one-kilometre-long bridge high above Hollands Diep river, you will find yourself in the south of the Netherlands. In village after village, Brabant hospitality will entice you to stop for a cup of coffee and big slice of fruit tart. Today's destination is Bergen op Zoom. Eight hundred years old, the town's narrow streets, old squares and hundreds of monuments testify to a rich and dramatic past. Before you settle down at one of the many pavement cafes, don't forget to feast your eyes on Markiezenhof, the town's pride and joy. This late-gothic mansion (1485) was built by the local noble family and now serves as museum and archive.

DAY
5*Bergen op Zoom – Antwerpen* | approx. 55 km

The landscape along today's cycling route is predominantly woody. On the border between the Netherlands and Belgium, catch your breath in De Zoom – Kalmthoutse Heide, a lovely cross-border nature reserve. The route takes you along the Scheldekaaien (quays on the River Scheldt) right into the historical and touristic heart of Antwerp. It's the largest town in Flanders and Belgium's most important port city. After viewing the historical town center you might like to venture to the hip and trendy parts of the city: 't Zuid and Het Eilandje. Have you worked up a thirst for Belgian beer? Consider visiting De Koninck beer brewery. It has been going strong since 1833 and has a new visitors centre welcoming guests wishing to look around and do some tasting. This brewery is best known for its 'Bollekes'.

DAY
6*Antwerpen – Leuven* | approx. 75 km

After a short stretch on the banks of the River Scheldt, change course to follow the River Rupel, the shortest river in the country (nearly 10 km long). In the region of the same name, abandoned brick works and useless chimneys are silent witnesses of a hard industrial past. Along the River Dijle, enter the age-old town of Mechelen right up to the church tower of St. Rombold's cathedral. This looks like a good place to stop for lunch. Belgian French fries, by the way, are the best in the world. Continue along the River Dijle to crown your day in the university town of Louvain. It's a pleasant town where the oldest houses date back to the 14th and 15th centuries. Don't miss the Grand Beguinage: Counting 100 houses, it was set up in 1234 as a community for spinsters; and now it's part of the university campus. You also might like to see the early-Gothic church of St. John the Baptist (1304). Round off your explorations on the Oude Markt (Old Market Square), nicknamed 'the longest bar counter in the world' due to the enormous number of bars and cafes on the square.

DAY
7*Leuven – Brussels* | approx. 40 km

The hills of Belgian Brabant and the extensive Sonian Forest set the scene for our cyclists today. If you don't feel like cycling into the big city of Brussels, you can opt to catch a train at one of the stations along the route. Brussel's main attraction is the fantastic Grote Markt (Great Market Square). Nearby, the little statue of Manneken Pis still draws crowds. Your visit to Brussels can also involve scrumptious hot waffles, chocolate, beer, culinary treats, fun shopping or soaking up a bit of culture. One thing's for sure: Brussels can't be explored in one day.

DAY
8*Departure or extension*

After breakfast, your cycling holiday has come to an end. You can take a flight from Brussels or take the train back to Amsterdam.

Tour character

You will follow a well-signposted route that is as good as flat, low traffic or even car free. Only towards the very end does it get slightly hilly. The towns themselves are perfect for touring by bike.



Prices and events

Place of arrival: Amsterdam

Season 1

03.05.2021 - 23.05.2021 | 31.05.2021 - 20.09.2021 |
Arrival Monday

Season 2

24.05.2021 - 30.05.2021 |
Arrival Monday

Amsterdam - Brussels, 8 days, NL-NBRNB-08X		
Base price	739.00	799.00
Surcharge half board 4x (evening meal: mostly multi-course, sometimes outside the property, payable with voucher)	129.00	129.00
Surcharge single room	209.00	209.00

Our rental bikes

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24-gear Unisex	139.00
24-gear gents	139.00
electric bike	269.00

Prices per person in EUR

Services and infos

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as already mentioned
- Breakfast of breakfast buffet
- Luggage transfer between the hotels (one piece of luggage per person with max. 20 kg)
- Detailed travel documents and maps (route maps, route description, local attractions, important telephone numbers, available in German, English and Dutch)
- Best elaborated route
- GPS-data is available
- Service hotline

Optional extras:

- Half-board evening meal (mostly multi-course, sometimes outside the property, payable with voucher) in Antwerpen, Bergen op Zoom and Brussel only BB
- Bike rental, including rental bike insurance

Infos

Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Amsterdam central train station
- Amsterdam Airport
- Parking space close to the hotel, costs approx EUR 15/day, noreservation possible.
- Good train connections from Brussels to Amsterdam

Things to note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price
- Ferry trips not included according to program
- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found [here!](#)

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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