



Tulip Tour

Amsterdam – Kudelstaart Sunday 12 miles / 20 km

The crew will welcome you aboard the Elodie with coffee and tea. The ship will sail through the centre of Amsterdam to the river Amstel. At the Nieuwe Meer you will leave the boat for your first cycle trip. In the evening your guide will give you a more detailed explanation of the program.

Kudelstaart – Gouda Monday 6 or 20 or 33 miles / 10 or 32 or 53 km

We will start the day early with a visit to the flower auction in Aalsmeer. You will see the world biggest flower auction at work. Every day the world's market prices for flowers and plant are being determined right here in this building. Millions of flowers and plants find their way all over the world when the auction starts. We will precede our trip through the green hart of Holland towards Gouda. Along the route you can enjoy the views of windmills, lakes and green pastures.

Gouda – Rotterdam – Delft Tuesday 17 miles / 27 km

Gouda is famous for its cheese and beautiful town hall, from here you will cycle to Kinderdijk a unesco protected windmill park to admire. From here you will take the fast ferry to Rotterdam, the largest port in the world were the Elodie will be waiting for you to take you to Delft. Delft has a beautiful historical centre Here you will find the church that with underneath the catacombs where the royal family is buried.

Delft – The Hague – Leiden Wednesday 24 miles / 39 km

Before we leave Delft, we pay a visit to a studio where earthenware is hand painted with the famous "Delfts blauw" (Delft's blue). Now on the cycle we follow our way to the seat of government capital, The Hague. The houses around the hunting castle "de graven van Holland" (The Earls of Holland) grew into a town, and the castle gave it its name, 's-Gravenhage. The area is exceptionally cycle-friendly and that makes a visit by bicycle something special. You cycle along the many cycle paths, straight through the city whilst left and right you can admire the government buildings, museums and stately facades of the mansions. The town ends abruptly on the beach of Scheveningen with its charming boulevard and fishing port. The Hague has many attractions such as "Panorama Mesdag", a painting of enormous measurements, 14 meters high and a circumference of 120 meters. At the end of the day you cycle back to the university town of Leiden.



Leiden – Hoogmade – Leiden Thursday 08 miles / 13 km

In the morning we will set out for a short bike tour to visit a Dutch cheese farm where you can admire and taste the art of Dutch cheese making.

In the afternoon there will be plenty of time to spend in Leiden. The oldest Dutch university town has a charming and lively centre. The Elodie lies in the centre of Leiden, a good place to get acquainted with this historical town.

Leiden – Haarlem Friday 13 or 24 miles / 21 or 39 km

From Leiden we will sail to Lisse, very close to the Keukenhof. This flower exhibition has everything Holland has to offer when it comes to flowers. You may expect to be overwhelmed by colors at this time of year when most flower bulbs show their beauty. After the Keukenhof we will continue our bicycle ride to Haarlem.

Haarlem – Amsterdam Saturday 5 or 17 miles / 8 or 27 km

In the morning there is the possibility to do a short cycle trip to the statue of Hans Brinker. It is only a short distance and by now we have had some cycle training over the last few days so you will be in time in Amsterdam to spend some time there. If you want to skip the cycling and enjoy the boat ride into Amsterdam, you will be able to see some of the interesting harbor activities of this town. Amsterdam is certainly well worth exploring because of its many possibilities: a boat tour around the canals, the Van Gogh museum, and the Rijks museum; or just savour the atmosphere and gape at the colorful procession of people strolling by as you enjoy a cup of coffee at an Amsterdam sidewalk café. In the evening you can choose a restaurant to your liking out of the many good restaurants you can find in Amsterdam.

Amsterdam Sunday

We take leave of you after breakfast.