

Tip Toe Through The Tulips

DATES:

COST:

The price includes:

- All coach travel, local/ central pick up points
- Ferry with cabin on board (sharing)
- Hotel accommodation with dinner bed and breakfast.
- Single supplement is extra. Please phone.
- City sightseeing tour with Local guide
- All tours and excursions
- Entrance fees not included
- If your group have specific places to visit we will endeavor to accommodate you

This trip can be shortened or lengthened to suit the requirements of your individual group.



Itinerary

Day 1: We pick you up from your local area then drive to Dublin for the ferry to Holyhead. We cross Wales & England to Harwich and board the overnight ferry to Rotterdam with en-suite cabins, dinner and breakfast included. (Dinner, B&B)

Day 2: After disembarking this morning we drive to Amsterdam, city of canals, bridges and bicycles, where our first stop is the famous Gassan Diamond Factory. We see a demonstration of diamond cutting and polishing then re-join our coach for a city sightseeing tour with a local guide. After checking in to our hotel there will be free time before dinner. (Dinner, B&B)

Day 3: Enjoy a free morning for last minute sightseeing or shopping before we head into the Dutch countryside to the pretty harbor side village of Volendam, situated on the IJsselmeer. Traditional wooden houses painted in white and green, small fishing boats bobbing on the water and an assortment of restaurants and souvenir shops is to be found here. Look out for women wearing traditional costumes with pointed bonnets. There will be time for lunch before we make our way to De Simonehoeve for a demonstration of cheese and clog making. Finally we return to Amsterdam (Evening meal, B&B)

Day 4: After breakfast we set off for a half day visit to Keukenhof, this historic parkland is a riot of colour with flowering tulips, hyacinths, daffodils and other spring bulbs in an overwhelming display, a feast for the eyes and a wonderful spectacle to photograph. We will enjoy a 'Whisper Boat' ride through the bulb fields, passing through the stunning landscape.

There are terraces and restaurants for you to relax and take in the beautiful surroundings. We depart in the afternoon and travel along the Dutch coastline to Brugge The historic city centre is on the Unesco's World Heritage List. The current city boundaries coincide exactly with those of the medieval city, and the buildings and structures of the old city have been preserved. (Dinner, B&B)

Day 5: Today we travel along the Belgian coast to Verne for chocolates and cigarettes (don't tell me you don't know someone who isn't addicted to one or the other!), then on to Calais for some last minute shopping in a Hypermarket before our 4pm ferry to Calais. We then continue onwards to Holyhead for our ferry to Ireland.

Day 6: Arrive home.

