



Netherlands – North Holland & Friesland Bike and Barge Tour (2025)

Individual Self-guided

8 days / 7 nights



Flat countryside up to the horizon, windmills, canals (Grachten) and cycling, that are the Netherlands. And there is so much more. Discover the Netherlands in a unique way on an 8-days-journey by bike and boat. Well-built cycle paths as well as wide and extensive waterways guarantee an unforgettable holiday. Throughout the day you are cycling on your own through the beautiful landscapes in Rembrandt's and Van Gogh's country and in the late afternoon your swimming hotel will be at your disposal. And if you don't like to cycle every day, you can stay on board and enjoy the passing countryside.

OK Cycle & Adventure Tours Inc. - 666 Kirkwood Ave - Suite B102 – Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1Z 5X9

www.okcycletours.com Toll Free 1-888-621-6818 Local 613-702-5350

TICO Ontario Registration No: 50022848



The Province of the Northern Netherlands: The Dutch province of the North Netherlands is situated on a peninsula between the North Sea and the IJsselmeer (IJssel Sea). The Northern Netherlands were founded due to the separation of the north and south of the Netherlands in 1840. Discover the folklore and tradition in the flat Polderland, on the North Sea and in romantic ports. You are travelling through a former lake and marsh region that has been drained by the help of windmills since the 17th century. Experience varying, typically Dutch Polder-countryside, dunes and North Sea beaches, the North Sea island Texel and many picturesque harbour villages on the coast of the IJsselmeer.

The province of Friesland, with its unique lake landscape, numerous rivers and canals, is a true paradise for cyclists. The tranquillity and vastness of nature is omnipresent and perfect for a bike & boat experience.

Itinerary Day to Day

Day 1: Individual arrival at Enkhuizen

Check-in on board in the afternoon. Perhaps you take a first short walk through the pretty harbor town with its charming old town.

Day 2: Cycling from Enkhuizen and back, cycle tour: approx. 20 - 26 km

Begin your day by discovering the pretty harbour town on the banks of the IJsselmeer. The rich history of the city can still be felt during a walk through the old town with its numerous villas, canals, churches, city walls and ports. Tip: You should visit the Zuiderzeemuseum. You then set off on your first cycle tour to Hoorn. Look forward to the historic old town with its many buildings from the 17th century (e.g. the harbour tower as well as the storage houses at the old quai).



OK Cycle & Adventure Tours Inc. - 666 Kirkwood Ave - Suite B102 – Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1Z 5X9

www.okcycletours.com Toll Free 1-888-621-6818 Local 613-702-5350

TICO Ontario Registration No: 50022848



**OK CYCLE &
ADVENTURE
TOURS** SINCE 1995

**Day 3: Shipping from Hoorn to Lemmer –
Cycling from Lemmer and back, cycle tour:
approx. 33 - 44 km**

In the morning you are shipping across the IJsselmeer to Lemmer in the province of Friesland. Lemmer is known for its historic old town and pretty gabled houses. Start your roundtrip by bike via Oosterzee Buren to the Tjeukemeer and via Munnekeburen, Scherpenzeel and Schoterzijl back to Lemmer.



The longer tour also takes you around the Rottige Meenthe and Brandemeer nature reserve. Tip: Visit the largest steam pumping station in the world, "Woudagemaal", which is still in operation.

Day 4 : Cycling from Lemmer to Stavoren, Cycle tour: approx. 32 - 41 km – Shipping from Stavoren to Harlingen

You are going by bike to Sondeler Leien Lake, from there through the woods of Rijsterbos passing the Mokkebank (a birds' reservation) to the Roode Klif at Stavoren. From there you are shipping to Harlingen. The Frisian town is known for its magnificent warehouses and patrician homes, canals and bridges, for its tidal harbour Noorderhaven and for its many café terraces and stores.

**Day 5: Cycling from Harlingen and back, cycle tour:
approx. 40 - 50 km – Shipping from Harlingen to
Oudeschild (Island of Texel)**

Another varied cycle tour around Harlingen is waiting for you. Enjoy the sweeping views and the beautiful nature of the province of Friesland. At around 16:00, your ship departs and you cross over to the North Sea island of Texel.



**Day 6: Island of Texel - Cycle tour from Oudeschild and
back, cycle tour: approx. 29 - 49 km, Shipping from
Oudeschild to Den Oever**

You are going on a round trip by bike on the biggest North Sea Island of the Netherlands – Texel. There are numerous alternative routes 28/35/48. About 5:00 pm shipping to Den Oever.

Day 7: Cycling from Den Oever to Medemblik, cycle tour: approx. 50 - 72 km – Shipping from Medemblik to Enkhuizen

Today you have the choice between a longer and a shorter cycle tour. From Den Oever, a small village with a historic fishing port and a still active fishing fleet, you can either cycle west to Julianadorp,

OK Cycle & Adventure Tours Inc. - 666 Kirkwood Ave - Suite B102 – Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1Z 5X9

www.okcycletours.com Toll Free 1-888-621-6818 Local 613-702-5350

TICO Ontario Registration No: 50022848



**OK CYCLE &
ADVENTURE
TOURS** SINCE 1995

continue south through the dunes to Callantsoog with one of the most beautiful beaches in the Netherlands and then east via Kolhorn, formerly a harbour on the Zuiderzee and now surrounded by meadows, to Medemblik or you can choose the shorter route, which takes you through the beautiful “Hollands Kroon” region on the former island of Wieringen with magnificent views to Medemblik, the oldest town in West Friesland. A beautiful city center and many cozy cafés wait for you.

Day 8: Enkhuizen

Checkout until 9:00 am and we are saying goodbye – have a safe journey.

Route



Technical Characteristics:

Tour Profile: Easy. The bike tours are guided **or** individual, at your own pace, without a tour guide, but with detailed bicycle maps and directions. When a guest does not want to cycle one day, she/he can skip the bike tour and relax on board while cruising to the next harbour.

Distance: 202-281 km

OK Cycle & Adventure Tours Inc. - 666 Kirkwood Ave - Suite B102 – Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1Z 5X9

www.okcycletours.com Toll Free 1-888-621-6818 Local 613-702-5350

TICO Ontario Registration No: 50022848



Travel Dates 2025 / From Saturday to Saturday

Season A: 04Oct – 11Oct
Season B: 12Apr – 19Apr | 20Sep – 27Sep | 27Sep – 04Oct
Season C: 19Apr – 26Apr | 26Apr – 03May | 06Sep – 13Sep | 13Sep – 20Sep
Season D: 03 May – 10May | 10May – 17May | 17May – 24May | 24May – 31May | 31May – 07Jun | 07Jun – 14Jun | 14Jun – 21Jun | 21Jun – 28Jun | 28Jun – 05July | 05July – 12July | 12July – 19July | 19July – 26July | 26July – 02Aug | 02 Aug – 09Aug | 09Aug – 16Aug | 16Aug – 23Aug | 23Aug – 30Aug | 30Aug – 06Sep

Price per Person in Euros *all prices subject to confirmation on booking*

Price per person	Season A	Season B	Season C	Season D
Two Bed Main Deck	€ 799	€ 899	€ 999	€ 1149
Two bed cabin Upper Deck	€ 949	€ 1049	€ 1149	€ 1299
Junior Suite Upper Deck	€ 1199	€ 1299	€ 1399	€ 1549
Three bed cabin Upper Deck	€ 849	€ 949	€ 1049	€ 1199
One bed cabin Upper Deck	€ 1249	€ 1349	€ 1449	€ 1649
Two Bed Cabin for Single Use	+40%			
Bike rental (7 speed unisex bicycle, with hand and pedal brake, or hand brakes only, pannier bag)	€ 89			
E-bike with free wheel (must be booked in advance, limited number)	€ 199			
Bring own bike- limited available	€39			



Included:

- Seven nights in outside cabins with private facilities in the booked cabin category
- Program according to routing from/to Enkhuizen
- All charges for harbours, bridges and locks
- Room cleaning every day, changing of towels and bed cloths as necessary
- Welcome-Drink
- Full board consisting of 7x breakfast, 6x lunch snack on board (non-cyclists) or lunch package for cycle tours, 7x 3-course-dinner
- Coffee and tea facilities (24h)
- Daily meeting for the cycle tours
- Printed instructions and detailed maps for daily individual bike tours (1 per cabin)
- GPS tracks
- Onboard tour guide

Not Included:

Journey to and from Enkhuizen, shuttles, bike rentals, entrance fees and excursions, city maps, ferry fees, travel insurances, parking fees, tips, drinks on board.

MS RIGOLETTO

**Registry Switzerland | Length 105 m | Width 10,50 m | Draft 1,50 m | Number of Crew ca. 20 |
Passengers max. 113**

The MS RIGOLETTO is a very cozy and well-kept riverboat with a pleasant salon, bar, reception, on-board store, small library and restaurant where you can enjoy your meals. The appealing interior design is characterized by a tasteful colour scheme paired with wood and brass. Large panoramic windows in the lounge allow beautiful views of the passing landscapes. All public areas are air-conditioned. Partially covered sun deck with seating, outdoor bar and space for the bicycles.



Cabins: 57 all together, friendly and comfortably furnished with shower/WC, hairdryer, on-board telephone, TV/radio, safe and air conditioning. All cabins on both decks have a large panoramic window, of which the upper part can be opened.

25 x 2-bed-cabins on the main deck and 28 x 2-bed-cabins on the upper deck. All 2-bed-cabins are approx. 11.5 m² in size and are equipped with two pullman beds (can be stowed away during the day for greater comfort on request). On the upper deck there are also 2 x 1-bed cabins (approx. 8 m²) with a





pullman bed, 1 x 3-bed cabin (approx. 12 m²) with two foldaway beds and a pullman bed and 1 x junior suite (approx. 22 m²) with a double bed and a small seating area with two armchairs.

Important remarks

Embarkation From 4:00 pm | Disembarkation until 09:00 am.

Minimum number of participants 80 guests (must have been reached within 21 days prior to departure)

To bring your own bike On request only – due to lack of space on sun deck. E-bikes exclusively with removable battery pack We exclude any liability for loss, theft and damage - this also applies to damage caused by transportation from shore to ship or vice versa.

Excursions We offer a small excursion program, that can be booked directly on board at the cruise director only. You will get a brief description together with your travel documents. Depending on the number of participants some excursions could be carried out in 2 languages (German/ English).

Schedule and program changes Basically, we reserve the right to make changes of routing and program. If there is low or high water and a route cannot be shipped, the captain reserves the right to change the route in view of your safety (this cannot be accepted as a reason for free withdrawal). Same applies to previously unknown administrative orders of lock or bridge repairs.

OK Cycle & Adventure Tours Inc. - 666 Kirkwood Ave - Suite B102 – Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1Z 5X9

www.okcycletours.com Toll Free 1-888-621-6818 Local 613-702-5350

TICO Ontario Registration No: 50022848



**OK CYCLE &
ADVENTURE
TOURS** SINCE 1995

Bikes

We focus on three things: quality, comfort and safety. This ensures the best riding experience and a good, secure feeling on the bike during your journey.

We only use components from reputable brand manufacturers for our bikes. Both our regular bicycles and e-bikes (pedelecs) feature a saddle from Selle Royal. You have the choice between coaster brake and freewheel systems from Shimano. The frames, developed by our partner, are also designed for comfort. With low step-throughs, they provide a secure feeling even for occasional riders.



Hybrid Bike All bikes are additionally equipped with tyre pumps, repair kits with tools and spare inner tubes. For extra storage room, most bikes are fitted with panniers and/or handlebar bags. In order for you to find your perfect bike aboard our ships, we offer three frame sizes: 45 / 50 / 55.

All our Velo de Ville bikes are equipped with brakes by Shimano.



Electric Bike

All of our pedelecs are equipped with Bosch mid-drive motors that come with fully integrated 500 Wh Bosch rechargeable batteries. The innovative way of construction allows the batteries to become almost invisible. That way, cyclists gain the advantage of a well-balanced bike, that is easily operated. Hence. We guarantee perfect support and a high level of comfort even on long tours.

Assisting people in realizing their touring dreams worldwide is our passion.

www.okcycletours.com



THIS IS A PARTNER TOUR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

OK Cycle & Adventure Tours Inc. - 666 Kirkwood Ave - Suite B102 – Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1Z 5X9

www.okcycletours.com Toll Free 1-888-621-6818 Local 613-702-5350

TICO Ontario Registration No: 50022848