

# Join NYSUT RC10 to the Netherlands & Belgium!

## ESSENTIAL HOLLAND: TULIPS IN SPRING

Amsterdam • Enkhuizen • Arnhem • Kinderdijk • Rotterdam • Middelburg • Bruges • Antwerp

PLEASE BE  
SURE TO  
MENTION  
OUR GROUP #  
G702300



APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup>-26<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

**\$4,048\***

Airfare included in the above pricing from Boston, JFK & Philadelphia. Other gates available upon request.

### INCLUDED FEATURES

- Visit the historic Keukenhof Gardens
- Canal Cruise in Amsterdam (UNESCO)
- Rijksmuseum (National Gallery) in Amsterdam including a guided visit with no more than 20 people per tour guide
- Kinderdijk (UNESCO). Visit the scenic Dutch countryside and go inside a historic working windmill
- Walking Tour and Canal Cruise of Bruges, along with free time to explore and try some Belgian treats on your own
- Antwerp Walking Tour including a visit to the Cathedral, where you can admire paintings by Peter Paul Rubens
- Choice of Tours: Kröeller-Müller Museum OR Liberation Museum 1940-1945
- Enjoy an "aperitif" at a home in Enkhuizen and meet local people to learn about their customs
- Visit an authentic bulb grower farm and listen to a real bulb grower discuss the flower trade business
- Listen to a lecture on transatlantic relations at the Roosevelt Study Center in Middelburg

\*Must pre-register with NYSUT RC10 for Vantage Deluxe World Travel to accept your deposit. For members having paid the RC10 sustaining membership fee, registration fee is \$50. For guests and members not having paid the sustaining membership fee, registration fee is \$100.

Subsequent to paying RC10 Registration fee (see above), contact info will be supplied for a \$500 per person deposit, payable directly to Vantage Deluxe World Travel.

Pricing per person based on category D  
Bus to JFK to be arranged at additional cost  
Gratuities at your own discretion  
Travel Protection available from \$679 per person

### YOUR GROUP ITINERARY

DAY	LOCATION	ACCOMMODATIONS
1-2	Depart home / Overnight flight to Amsterdam, the Netherlands/ Embark ship	<i>ms River Splendor</i>
3	Amsterdam	
4	Enkhuizen	
5	Arnhem, the Netherlands	
6	Arnhem / Kinderdijk / Rotterdam	
7	Rotterdam / Keukenhof Gardens	
8	Middelburg, the Netherlands	
9	Zelzate, Belgium / Bruges	
10	Antwerp	
11	Brussels / Disembark ship / Return home	

#### Optional 3 day pre-trip extension to Amsterdam

\$549 per person, double occupancy\*

#### Optional 3 day post-trip extension to Brussels

\$499 per person, double occupancy\*

#### CONTACT GROUP LEADER

Alice Schielke at [aliceschielke@gmail.com](mailto:aliceschielke@gmail.com) or (518) 368-9009 to secure space for this special group trip:  
Alice Schielke  
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Ballston Lake, NY 12019

#### Plus Cultural Connections and The Vantage Travel Lifestyle Features

- Lecture Series: 3 lectures on "Dutch Royals," "Windmills & Dutch Waterways" and "Windmills," and "Transatlantic Connections"
- Aperitif in a local home in Enkhuizen
- Chocolate-making demonstration on board
- Entertainment on board ship, including Motown Night
- Complimentary bicycles to use in port
- Lecture on "Modern Holland"

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## Pre-trip extension to Amsterdam, the Netherlands



### OPTIONAL DAY 1 : Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Transfer from the airport to the hotel in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

After checking in to your hotel, take a walking tour to the Dam Square & Floating Flower Market. Enjoy the afternoon and evening at leisure.

 [\\_NH Barbizon Palace Hotel Amsterdam >](#)

### OPTIONAL DAY 2 : Amsterdam

The day is yours to enjoy at leisure.



Included meals: breakfast

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### OPTIONAL DAY 3 : Amsterdam / Embarkation

Check out of the hotel, and transfer to the ship for embarkation.



Included meals: breakfast

## Post-extension to Brussels, Belgium



### OPTIONAL DAY 11 : Antwerpen / Transfer to Brussels

Today, enjoy a half-day city tour of Brussels, including both the Lower Town,

where you'll see the Grand Place with its magnificent guild houses, as well as the Upper Town, with its regal architecture. Enjoy the afternoon and evening at leisure.



[\\_Sheraton Brussels >](#) or similar

### OPTIONAL DAY 12 : Brussels

Enjoy a day at leisure — or consider joining an optional tour to Waterloo - The Last Battle of Napoleon.



Included meals: breakfast



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### OPTIONAL DAY 13 : Brussels / Return home

Check out of the hotel, and transfer to the airport for your return flight home.



Included meals: breakfast

### FROM \$499 PER PERSON | 3 DAYS | \$183 PER DAY

You'll already be in Europe for your river cruise, so why not add two more nights in Amsterdam? Your extension to this culturally rich city features a panoramic tour and a walking tour. Your extension includes free time to explore at your own pace. Don't miss this true Dutch treat to round out your cultural discoveries!

*\*Prices are per person double occupancy. Single supplement - \$199. Limited availability.*

#### Your Price Includes:

2 nights accommodations at the Superior First-Class *NH Barbizon Palace* (or similar) in Amsterdam

2 Breakfasts

Walking Tour of Amsterdam with City Host

All transfers and baggage handling (where permitted)

Services of a City Host and experienced regional experts

### FROM \$499 PER PERSON | 3 DAYS | \$166 PER DAY

Prior to your tulip time cruise, why not visit another exciting destination in Europe? Brussels is a city of contrasts, from stately Art Nouveau to gleaming glass modernity, and you'll explore its many facets on this exciting extension. You'll stay at a centrally located hotel, with included breakfast each morning. Discover the city's pretty squares and elegant architecture on an included half-day panoramic city tour. During your free time, consider a fascinating optional excursion to Waterloo. You'll be thoroughly pleased you enhanced your European river cruise with this magnificent extension!

*\*Prices are per person double occupancy. Single supplement - \$199. Limited availability.*

#### Your Price Includes:

2 nights' accommodations at the Superior First-Class *Sheraton Brussels* (or similar)

2 meals: Breakfast daily

Brussels city tour

The services of a City Host and experienced local guides

All transfers and baggage handling (where permitted)

# OPTIONAL TOURS

## Red Light District Tour

Approximate Cost: \$55 USD per person

Approximate Time: 1.5 hours

Location: Amsterdam

When: Evening



On this optional tour, you'll be introduced to Amsterdam's oldest and most iconic neighborhood. Discover the colorful personality of this part of town, learning about its history as you stroll past the windows with red lights that gave the district its name. We'll learn more about this area and its more famous aspects when we visit a museum dedicated to the world's oldest profession.

## Jewish Cultural Quarter Tour

Approximate Cost: \$69 USD per person

Approximate Time: 3 hours

Location: Amsterdam, The Netherlands

When: Afternoon Tour



During centuries of persecution in Europe, Ashkenazi and Sephardic Jews fled to Amsterdam in order to live and worship in peace. That changed during World War II, when the Nazis invaded Holland and turned a theater in the Jodenbuurt Quarter into a deportation center and this once-prosperous area into the infamous Jewish Ghetto. On this tour, you'll visit this theater as well as the rest of the Jewish Cultural Quarter, which includes the Portuguese Synagogue and other monuments in this historic section of the city. Join us on this tour that highlights the powerful story of this unique part of Amsterdam.

## Waterloo: The Last Battle of Napoleon

\*Only offered on optional Brussels post-extension

Approximate Cost: \$115 USD per person

Approximate Time: 5.45 hrs.

Location: Brussels, Belgium

When: 12:30pm



Step back in time to one of the most pivotal battles in European history, the Battle of Waterloo, on this half-day tour from Brussels. Gain insight into the final defeat of France's Napoleon Bonaparte against the British and the Prussian armies from your guide as you tour the battlefield, see where the commanders strategized, and visit the monument Lion Hill. You'll begin this tour with a short drive south to city of Waterloo, where notorious French Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte met his final defeat in 1815 in one of the most epic battles in history. Climb up Lion Hill, a man-made monumental hill erected in honor of William II of the Netherlands, who was killed here during the battle. Listen as your guide gives an overview of the Battle of Waterloo, during which the French army fell to the Duke of Wellington's British and Prussian forces, signaling the end of Bonaparte's controversial reign and the end of France's domination in Europe. Waterloo is considered one of the most pivotally important battles of the 19th century, affecting the fortunes of France, Belgium, Great Britain and many other nations.

You'll drive past the Duke of Wellington's former headquarters and listen as your guide explains the battle strategies planned there. Then, head out onto the battlefield, where you'll see where the forces entered into combat and view the grand Gordon Monument, in honor of Allied Lieutenant-Colonel Sir William Alexander Gordon of the Scots Guards.



## Concentration Camp Breendonk

Approximate Cost: \$75 USD per person

Approximate Time: 3.5 hours

Location: Antwerp, Belgium

When: Afternoon Tour (limited availability)

A moving and striking example of the horrors of Nazism, the fortress of Breendonk has been preserved as a symbol to memorialize the victims who passed through it. Pay your respects to the 3,500 prisoners who passed through this camp between 1940 and 1944 and explore the gruesome history of the site and the Nazi occupation during an emotional guided tour.



## Belgian Culinary Delights

Approximate Cost: \$69 USD per person

Approximate Time: 2.5 hours

Location: Antwerp

When: Afternoon Tour (limited availability)

Join us on a culinary walking tour through the streets of Antwerp that will allow you to try the signature foods and drinks that are Belgian culinary specialties. Try Belgian fries along with mayonnaise! Also taste a true "Belgian waffle," which is much richer and more dense than the version you'll find in North America. You will also taste Belgium's exciting beer style before heading back to the ship!

**Please Note:** All prices are per person and subject to change. All optional tours are offered by Vantage Deluxe World Travel. Descriptions and scheduling are subject to change. Minimum tour participation is required to operate optional tours. Optional tours cancelled by passengers within 48 hours of the excursion are non-refundable.