



Trip description

Amsterdam and around the IJssel lake on a bicycle

May, June & September : no start on Thursday (8 days) or Friday (7 days) because of the ferry crossing.

Visit Amsterdam on a bicycle, go around the IJssel and visit tulip fields (in season)



Destination	Europe
Location	Pays-Bas
Duration	7 days
Difficulty Level	Very easy
Validity	May to September, no departur...
Minimum age	Either in a bicycle trailer, or fro...
Reference	NE0701

Type of stay
loop trip



Itinerary



Do like the Dutch, get on your bike and visit the Netherlands by bike!
The cycle paths are fantastic, the bike is truly the king of the road.

The start of this loop is located in Huizen, 30 km from Amsterdam. You follow cycle paths along canals and through parks. You ride in the middle of the polders around Amsterdam dotted with pretty historic villages like Monnickendam, Volendam, Edam.

To cross Lake IJ, you take the boat. Then you move away a little from the lake to discover the national parks and the Dutch countryside and it's tulips. After a week, you find yourself in Huizen, your starting point.

This week by bike will seduce you by revealing Holland in all its authenticity.

Because of the distances and especially with the wind, we recommend e-bikes for this holiday.

Day 1

Arrival in Huizen

Your first hotel is located in the harbour area of Huizen. You can visit this small town, which is well known for it's windsurfers' lake and beach.

Day 2

Huizen - Katwoude or Volendam

Bike
51/58km

Optional : book a night in Amsterdam and cut the first stage in two

Your bicycles will be delivered to your accommodation. You start cycling along the southern shore of the IJsselmeer and you reach Muiden, where you can visit the medieval castle.

You cross Amsterdam city center (you can book a night in Amsterdam if you like). The capital of the Netherlands is magnificent and worth a longer stay. You cross the river IJ by ferry and continue on comfortable cycling lanes until you reach the former estuary of Waterland with meadows, ancient canals and millions of birds.

Visit the island of Marken where the houses are built in wood, as if time has stood still. Shortly after, you arrive in Volendam or Katwoude where you spend the night.

Day 3

Katwoude or Volendam - Enkhuizen

Bike
53/57km

You're cycling on the old Zuiderzee dike and through the cheese town of Edam. In the picturesque town Hoom you'll see imposing buildings from the golden age. We recommend planning a guided tour of Enkhuizen and/or a visit of the Zuiderzee museum.

Day 4

Enkhuizen - Lemmer or Oudemirdum

Bike
40/45km

You take the ferry across the IJsselmeer to the Frisian city Stavoren. Here you can decide to make a wonderful loop to the scenic Hindeloopen. Through the wooded countryside of Gaasterland and so to Workum, where you will spend the night in either Brink or the port town of Lemmer.

Day 5

Lemmer or Oudemirdum - Giethoorn

Bike
58/44km

Very soon, you'll see the steam-pumping station of Lemmer and then you go across the Weerribben. This national park is unique with an exceptional wealth of flora and fauna. If you are there in spring/early summer, you'll cycle along many tulip fields. Giethoorn is called the "Venice of the north" with a myriad of arched bridges, boats and farmhouses.

Day 6

Giethoorn - Nunspeet

Bike
61km

You navigate from Giethoorn to the city of Kampen, which is located on the IJssel river. Via the attractive fortress city of Elburg and along small lakes, you'll reach Nunspeet, at the edge of the largest forest in the Netherlands, the Veluwe.

Day 7

Nunspeet - Huizen

Bike
59km

On your last cycling day, you cycle through the old port city of Harderwijk and the fishing village of Spakenburg. You return to Huizen on the wooded banks of 't Gooi.

We advise an extra night in Huizen to recuperate from your journey before travelling home.

Accommodation



Category B

You will be staying in 3* and 4* hotels and B&B's



** Example of the type of accommodation*

Practical information

How to get to the starting point:

By plane: fly to Amsterdam Schiphol, then the train to Huizen

By train: Trains from Brussels, Paris, London, Berlin,... with a correspondence in Amsterdam to Huizen; to plan your voyage : <https://www.thetrainline.com/>

Parking:

If you come by car, you can park your car for free near the hotel.

Meeting time:

Your bicycles will be delivered to your accommodation the morning your start cycling and they are available until 6 p.m. on the last day of cycling. Your rooms will be available as off 3 p.m.

Price description

Category B

1040 €/pers

Based on a double room
(for a twin bedroom, please contact us before booking)

6 nights in 3* hôtels
6 breakfasts
rent of a hybrid bike (6 days), saddle bag, without helmet
luggage transport from one lodging to the next
a roadbook and practical and tourist information
7/7 hotline

Half board (6 dinners, no dinner in Amsterdam)

289 €/pers

Single room

74 €/night

Extra night in Amsterdam + luggage transport + extra day bicycle rent

240 €/pers

Extra night in Huizen (after)

92 €/pers

Options

Discount if you bring your own bicycle

-80 €/pers

Rent of an e-bike

18 €/pers/day

The package doesn't include:

the journey to the tour location
the ferry across the lake and to cross canals outside Amsterdam
drinks
meals which are not included

entrance fee to sites
tourist taxes
insurances and bicycle guarantee (optional)

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