



**SMALL GROUP**  
Maximum of  
24 Travelers

**LAND  
JOURNEY**

# The Charms of Holland

## Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Stroll through **quaint North-Holland towns**, from Hoorn with its 17th-century harbor to Bergen, a tranquil artists' haven.
- ▶ Wander in **inviting, compact Haarlem** amid quiet waterways and vibrant culture.
- ▶ Taste **tempting, classic specialties**: fresh-caught seafood, Gouda cheese and *poftertjes*, sugar-dusted mini-pancakes.
- ▶ Cruise on **Amsterdam's pretty canals** and strike off to explore on your own.
- ▶ Delve into politics and art in **The Hague**, the government seat and home of the acclaimed Mauritshuis museum.
- ▶ View extraordinary pieces by van Gogh and other artists at the **Kröller-Müller Museum**, set in a beautiful national park.
- ▶ Admire the innovative modern architecture of **Rotterdam**, Europe's largest port city.
- ▶ Be wowed by the kaleidoscopic colors and lightning pace of the **world's largest flower auction**.

*Flower auction, Aalsmeer*



## INCLUDED FEATURES

### Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- **7 nights** in Haarlem, Netherlands, at the first-class Amrath Grand Hotel Frans Hals.

### Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 3 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

### Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city✈
- Day 2** Arrive in Amsterdam and transfer🚗 to hotel in Haarlem
- Day 3** Gouda | Rotterdam
- Day 4** Haarlem | Hoorn | Afsluitdijk
- Day 5** Amsterdam | Zandvoort
- Day 6** Hoge Veluwe National Park
- Day 7** Aalsmeer | The Hague
- Day 8** Haarlem
- Day 9** Transfer🚗 to Amsterdam airport and depart for gateway city✈

✈ Flights and 🚗 transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

**Activity Level:** We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.



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**Discovery**

**AHI Connects: Dutch Delicacy.** Sample much-loved *poertjes*, tiny, puffy pancakes topped with powdered sugar and butter, at a family-owned, small-town café.

**Frans Hals Museum.** Haarlem native Hals is regarded as one of the premier Dutch Golden Age masters, along with Rembrandt and Vermeer. With bold, loose brushstrokes, he created vivid portraits. View the largest collection of his paintings on a guided visit.

**Gouda and Rotterdam.** Travel into South-Holland to Gouda, famed for its namesake cheese. See the bustling market square and visit Sint Janskerk, the country's longest church. Inside, be awed by more than 70 of the finest, 16th-century painted glass windows in Europe. Afterward, taste fresh Gouda cheese and learn how it's made. Head next to Rotterdam, brimming with bold architecture, such as the arched Market Hall. Admire the cityscape on a guided walk, and visit one of the quirky Cube Houses. On a scenic tour, see the sleek Erasmus Bridge and the non-stop activity of the huge harbor.

**A Visit to Noord-Holland.** Delight in the picturesque harbor town, Hoorn, once a key Dutch East India Company port. Then take a ride on an antique steam train before visiting the engineering marvel, Afsluitdijk, a 20-mile dike that separates the North Sea and IJssel Lake. Finally, stroll through lovely Bergen, a longtime artists' community, dotted with thatched-roof homes and art galleries.

**Amsterdam.** Arrive by high-speed rail and enjoy a canal cruise past the city's iconic gabled houses. The rest of the day is yours to plan! Dine by the sea tonight in Zandvoort.

**Hoge Veluwe National Park and the Kröller-Müller Museum.** Revel in this vast park's serene, natural beauty en route to the museum, which boasts the second largest van Gogh collection in the world and a large sculpture garden.

**Royal Flora Holland and The Hague.** Watch impressive logistics in action in Royal Flora's auction facility in Aalsmeer as colorful blooms are briskly traded and whisked off for shipping. Each day, 30 million flowers and plants are sold on its trading platform. Then travel to The Hague and walk with your guide past elegant governmental and royal landmarks, including the Peace Palace and the Binnenhof. End at the Mauritshuis to see superb art by Dutch and Flemish masters.

**St.-Bavo Church.** Hear the rich sounds of the church's ornate Müller barrel organ, built in 1738, during a short performance.

**Enrichment**

- ▶ **Dutch Masters, featuring Frans Hals and Haarlem**
- ▶ **Water Management in the Netherlands and the world**
- ▶ **Contemporary Holland**

**UNESCO World Heritage**

**The 17th-Century Canal Ring Area of Amsterdam inside the Singelgracht**



*Singelgracht, Amsterdam*



*Cube Houses, Rotterdam*



*Mauritshuis, The Hague*

**Accommodations**

**Amrath Grand Hotel Frans Hals**



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**AHI Sustainability Promise**

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

**Environmental Impact** | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

**Social Impact** | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

**Economic Impact** | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, "shoulder seasons."

**AHI Travel Expertise**

**Passenger Service Representative** | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

**Travel Director** | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

**Travel information** | Prepares you fully for your journey.

**Expert local guides and lecturers** | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

**Let us arrange your flights!**

**AHI FlexAir** | Our **personalized air program** features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

**DATES & PRICES**

**July 6-14, 2021**

From Price \$3,545

Special Savings \$250

**Special Price** **\$3,295**

VAT is an additional \$295 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional \$595 (limited availability).