

POSSIBLE UPCOMING TRIPS FOR MUSKOKA TRAVEL WITH GLOBUS FAMILY OF BRANDS



Scotland!

Rolling hills and rugged coastlines, mythical creatures, and elusive monsters, quiet fairways, and boisterous bagpipes, this tour of Scotland is a study in stark contrasts among the most beautiful of classrooms. Hitting the highpoints of the Highlands from Glasgow to Edinburgh. More lush landscapes await as you search for the mysterious Nessie along the banks of Loch Ness, , and swoon over the 13th-century Eilean Donan Castle nestled on a tidal island and featured in numerous films. If green means go, you have the go-ahead to pack your tams, tartans, and knickers for vibrant and verdant Scotland.



Iceland!

Icelandic folklore maintains there are clans of elves and trolls living in the country's extraordinary hills, rocky outcrops, and lava fields. Will you meet these "Huldufólk" or "Hidden People" said to dislike churches, daylight, and electricity? Hard to say. But here's what you will see on this breathtaking destination —active volcanoes, roaring waterfalls, jagged glaciers, floating icebergs, black-sand beaches, and brilliant-blue geothermal springs. Unique, local experiences await in the "Land of Fire and Ice,"



New Zealand!

This untamed land also boasts an impressive number of soaring mountains, lush rainforests, and stunning fiords. The North Island's Bay of Plenty sets the stage for the abundance of spectacular sights you'll see on both of New Zealand's breathtaking islands. Rotorua's shooting geysers are only surpassed by the South Island's soaring Southern Alps.



GRAND TULIP CRUISE OF HOLLAND AND BELGIUM

15 DAY CRUISE FROM AMSTERDAM TO AMSTERDAM
APRIL 28 - MAY 13, 2024

Vacation Overview

Begin your tulip season cruise in Amsterdam. In Arnhem, tour its WWII Airborne Museum commemorating the brave battle of 1944. In Maastricht tour the old cobblestoned university town. On to Belgium for a sightseeing tour of medieval Namur and free time to browse its ancient architecture, charming cafes, and bookshops. In Liège, see the ancient quarters of the "Fiery City" as well as its romantic streets, steps, and tiny alleyways. Next, you'll explore the city of Antwerp—birthplace of the master painter Peter Paul Rubens. Stroll its cobble lanes amid 16th-century guildhall houses and the cathedral's stunning altarpiece paintings by the famous artist. In Brussels, you'll find landmark buildings and a collection of cafes and shops on your guided tour. Visit "The Diamond of Flanders", Ghent, for stunning Flemish artwork in St. Bavo's Cathedral. Explore more of the Flanders area with tours in Bossuit—the In Flanders Fields Museum and moving battlefield memorials and memorabilia. In Middelburg, explore its grand history in the Dutch East India Company. Tour the Veere Delta Works to see the world's largest flood-protection system. Continue your cruise through Kinderdijk—where windmills built in 1740 for water management helped the iconic structures become a symbol of Holland. See the Erasmus Bridge in Rotterdam, and the quintessential Dutch towns of Zaandam and Haarlem with their signature flower farms, windmills, waterways, and North Sea trading. Your cruise through Holland and Belgium returns to Amsterdam for a guided canal cruise through the iconic city.

Itinerary

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FOUR WAYS GLOBUS ELIMINATES THE HASSLES

VIP Access

Skip the lines and get special treatment at the must-see attractions.

Perfect Hotels

We've done the work to find just the right hotels in just the right locations.

Tour Directors

Take your heads out of the guidebook and let expert guides make every destination fascinating.

Transportation

Leave the navigating to us - and just sit back and enjoy the ride.

DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

DAY 1: Depart Toronto for Overnight Flight to Amsterdam.

DAY 2: AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND (EMBARKATION). Welcome to Holland. Your Suite Ship® is Ready for Boarding. Flights into Amsterdam must arrive by 2 pm. Guests must be on board ship by 5 pm. Your day in Amsterdam is free to explore at your leisure. During tulip season, you may take a Guided Optional Excursion to Keukenhof gardens—with more than seven million tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths, as well as other bulbs, planted each year. Outside of tulip season, join a Guided Optional Excursion to Zaanse Schans to see historic windmills and charming Dutch houses. EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO NIJMEGEN. (D)

DAY 3: NIJMEGEN. EXCURSION TO ARNHEM. Wildlife, WWII Valor, and Famous Mills. ACTIVE Explore the new face of old Nijmegen on a bike tour through its recently renovated River Waal side channel, city island, road bridge, and railway bridge that invites adventurers to explore on two wheels! OR: DISCOVERY Join a Guided Sightseeing to discover Arnhem—a key WWII operations site and home to impressive historical monuments and memorials—then visit a medieval castle for a regional herb and vegetable product tasting, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Tour of the Airborne Museum of Hartenstein commemorating the 1944 WWII Battle of Arnhem. You may join a Guided Optional Excursion to the Windmill of Thorn or an Optional Cooking Workshop. EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO MAASTRICHT. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: MAASTRICHT. Dutch History, School Spirit and an Architectural Feast. Enjoy an early morning sailing to Maastricht. ACTIVE Maastricht's charm awaits, get physical via nordic walking with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Discover this vibrant university town with its lovely cathedrals, old houses, historical buildings, and impressively cobblestoned town center. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO NAMUR. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: NAMUR, BELGIUM. Ancient Architecture and Charming Cafés. ACTIVE Explore Namur's countryside by bike with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Sightseeing Tour of the picturesque old-town, fortress citadel, and medieval architecture. Take free time to stroll along Namur's cobblestone lanes and visit its charming cafés and bookshops. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN HUY. (B,L,D)

DAY 6: LIÈGE. Historic Wonders and Wonderful Waffles. CLASSIC Join a Guided Sightseeing Tour of the “Fiery City” of Liège with its beautiful ancient quarters, peculiar alleys, and romantic streets. Don't miss sampling authentically sweet Liège Waffles. EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO ANTWERP, (B,L,D)

DAY 7: ANTWERP. A Rubenesque Cathedral in Artful Antwerp. Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities. ACTIVE Explore Antwerp by bike with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Take a Guided Tour of this sophisticated city to visit the central Grote Markt, lined with 16th-century guildhall houses. You'll also see the beautiful city hall, the Cathedral of Our Lady with its stunning altarpiece paintings by Rubens. Enjoy cocktail or coffee aboard your ship as you sail to Brussels this afternoon. Later, enjoy dinner and live entertainment. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN BRUSSELS. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: BRUSSELS. Ancient Landmarks and New Haunts. ACTIVE See Brussel's Aquaculture farm on bike with your Adventure Host, OR: DISCOVERY See the major highlights of Brussels and join a do-it-yourself chocolate workshop for a fun and interactive experience, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Tour of Brussels, see the Town Hall with its landmark buildings and discover the many local bars, cafés and shops of the Lower Town Streets. The afternoon is free to explore Brussels at your pace. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN BRUSSELS. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: BRUSSELS. Filling Fare and Fabled Beer. Spend a day at leisure to sample Brussels hearty cuisine and famous beer. Enjoy dinner on board as you sail for Ghent this evening. EVENING/OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO GHENT. (B,L,D)



DAY 10: GHENT. Medieval Masterpieces and Flemish Finery. Visit the Adventure Center for today's activities with your Adventure Host. ACTIVE Explore a different side of Ghent by foot with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Explore Ghent—“The Diamond of Flanders”—with a Guided Sightseeing Tour of this showcase of medieval Flemish wealth. You'll visit St. Bavo's Cathedral—with its remarkable Flemish artwork. Alternatively, you may choose to join a full-day Guided Optional Excursion of Bruges to explore its canals, cobble streets, and medieval buildings. You'll see its crisscrossed canals, the 13th-century belfry of Market Square, and charming patrician houses. This evening, enjoy live entertainment on board. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO BOSSUIT. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: BOSSUIT. Battlefield Remembrances in Flanders. DISCOVERY Visit the In Flanders' Field Museum in Ypres—learn about the story of the invasion of Belgium, the first months of the mobilization, the four years trench war in the Westhoek, the end of the war, and the permanent remembrance ever since. After your visit, enjoy lunch at the museum's café. DISCOVERY Following the museum, visit, battlefields, cemeteries, memorials and private collections. DISCOVERY Experience the Last Post Ceremony, taking place nightly under the arches of the Menin Gate. Enjoy some free time for dinner before the Ceremony starts. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO MIDDELBURG. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: MIDDELBURG, HOLLAND. A Spicy History in Middelburg's Dutch Harbor Town. ACTIVE Explore Vlissingen by bike with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Walking Tour through the winding cobblestones and canals of Middelburg. See the 15th century Gothic Town Hall and learn about its important role in the spice trade and Dutch East India trading. Enjoy lunch on board while cruising to Veere.

VEERE

The Delta Works Stand Strong as a Technical Marvel. ACTIVE Bike your way to the beach from Veere with your Adventure Host, OR: DISCOVERY Join a Guided Tour of the Delta Works, the largest flood-protection system in the world, and a miracle of modern technology. EVENING/OVERNIGHT SAILING IN KINDERDIJK. (B,L,D)

DAY 13: KINDERDIJK–ROTTERDAM. Harnessing the Wind 300 Years. Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities. ACTIVE See the windmills of Kinderdijk by bike with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Tour of Kinderdijk where 19 windmills were built in 1740 as flood prevention and water management. You'll hear about the windmill's vital role in the Netherland's history and why it became a national symbol of Holland. Enjoy a cruise through Rotterdam harbor. ACTIVE Experience Rotterdam by bike with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Join a Guided Sightseeing Tour of Rotterdam featuring innovative architecture, including the marvelous Erasmus Bridge. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board. OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO ZAANDAM. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: ZAANDAM. Windmills, Waterways, and Waving Fields of Flowers. Arrive in Zaandam this morning with free time to explore this quintessential Dutch town. See windmills, waterways, and flower farms, while discovering Dutch history in its handicraft shops and museums. Cruise to Haarlem this afternoon while enjoying lunch on board.

HAARLEM

Tulips and North Sea Trading Ports. ACTIVE Enjoy an easy bike ride to the beach with your Adventure Host, OR: CLASSIC Visit Haarlem, a major flower bulbs growing district outside of Amsterdam. Explore the former North Sea trading port with its medieval features, gabled houses, and leafy courtyards. Enjoy dinner on board your ship this evening as you sail to Amsterdam, the capital of the Netherlands. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN AMSTERDAM. (B,L,D)

DAY 14: AMSTERDAM. Canals of Colorful Amsterdam. ACTIVE Join a Biking Tour through the Dutch countryside past polders, dykes, and quaint centuries-old villages, OR: CLASSIC Explore the iconic waterways of Amsterdam on a Guided Canal Cruise past stately homes of Amsterdam's “Golden Age.” OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN AMSTERDAM. (B,L,D)

DAY 15: AMSTERDAM (DISEMBARKATION). Your cruise ends with breakfast this morning. (B)