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SUPPLEMENT**  
for Solo  
Travelers

# Dutch Waterways

ANTWERP TO AMSTERDAM



2018 PROGRAM DATES

TRAVEL in 2018 at  
2017 PRICES!



**April 4-12**  
**April 18-26**  
**May 2-10**

**April 11-19**  
**May 1-9**



## Inspiring Moments

# A World Apart

The story of travel involves more than a ticket and a passport. It should weave together discovery, education and humanity, the best elements of any compelling tale. Your personal travel story begins with our commitment to delivering authentic experiences with local people.

The incomparable value of your journey lies in the personalized care you receive from your Travel Director and the knowledge you gain from expert guides and lecturers who call this area home.

By eliminating logistical worries, your multilingual Travel Director allows you to immerse yourself comfortably in your surroundings. This high-caliber professional makes you feel safe and important by creating a convivial, welcoming atmosphere.

The other important characters in this story are the guides and lecturers, whose regional expertise shines in their insider perspective and commentary.

With these specialists at your side, become intimately engaged in the rhythm of life along Holland and Belgium's waterways, adding a memorable chapter to the rich story of your life.

► Glide along **Amsterdam's captivating canals**, built during the Dutch Golden Age.

► Witness a rainbow of natural beauty during **Holland's renowned tulip season**.

► Float along narrow canals through the delightful Dutch village of **Giethoorn**.

► Stroll through the romantic medieval center of **Delft**, filled with scenic waterways and remarkable architecture.

► Savor the ambience and history of the charming cities of **Bruges** and **Antwerp**.



## Dear AHI Traveler,

Make plans to join us on a wonderful seven-night, first-class cruise through Holland and Belgium to delight in the incredible charm of their most historic cities and towns. You'll travel in comfort aboard the intimate MS Amadeus Silver, specifically designed for river cruising, and unpack only once, giving you added time to savor each day's adventures!

In planning this exciting program, our travel experts have thoughtfully combined the region's best attractions with your desire for enrichment and learning. You'll enjoy a choice of included excursions in select ports of call, as well as engaging educational lectures by local experts that provide meaningful context.

In addition, this exceptional cruise offers you the security, ease and value of group travel with ample opportunity for independent exploration. You'll appreciate the camaraderie onboard the ship and on excursions and also feel the thrill of making your own unique discoveries during free time.

Space on this popular program will fill quickly, so be sure to make your reservation today!

Best regards,

Rick Small  
Executive Vice President  
AHI Travel

### AHI Travel

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The Hague

## Day One

### **In Transit**

Depart your gateway city for Brussels, Belgium. ↗

## Day Two

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### **Brussels, Belgium | Antwerp**

Upon arrival, transfer to Antwerp and embark the MS Amadeus Silver.

**Discovery: Antwerp.** Located just 55 miles from the North Sea, Antwerp has a rich legacy as an important seaport and center of trade. On a guided walking tour, view its wealth of medieval architecture, including the elegant 16th-century town hall, the soaring Gothic Cathedral of Our Lady and the market square.

**Enrichment: Contemporary Belgium.** Gain



Waterland bike ride

insights about this bilingual country that includes the Dutch speakers of Flanders and the French speakers of Wallonia.

## Day Three

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### **Bruges | Veere, Netherlands**

Travel by motor coach to Bruges. This romantic, medieval city exudes a dreamy ambience that has earned it the nickname, "Venice of the North."

#### **PYC | Choose one of these excursions:**

Today's excursions all include a guided walking tour of Bruges, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

## **YOUR INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCE**

Free time means something different to every traveler. Some people like to linger in a cozy café, while others prefer to stay on the go. That's why we have designed an itinerary to allow you to craft your individual travel experience.



#### **Personalize Your Cruise | PYC | Included**

Choose from a variety of excursions in selected ports based on your interests.



#### **ELECTIVE Experiences | At an additional cost**

Further your experience by immersing yourself in specially designed activities and extensions.

**Check out our itinerary for more details. We've done the legwork. Now the choice is yours.**



Keukenhof Gardens



Girl with a Pearl Earring, Vermeer



Rijksmuseum

Stroll through the grand Market Square and see the medieval guild hall buildings, the exquisite 12th-century Basilica of the Holy Blood and the stately Belfry Tower that looms over the square.

• **Cultural Bruges.** Enjoy the tour of Bruges. Then admire the outstanding artwork at the Groeninge Museum, known for its Flemish Primitive and expressionist paintings.

• **Bruges and Beer.** Enjoy the tour of Bruges and then visit the De Halve Maan Brewery. Learn about this family business and the history of Belgian brewing. Take in the panoramic view of Bruges from the brewery's rooftop, then enjoy a glass of freshly brewed beer.

• **Bruges and Belgian Chocolate.** Enjoy the tour of Bruges and then visit a chocolatier's shop. Learn about the art and history of Belgian chocolate-making, talk with the chocolate experts and enjoy a sample.

**Free Time:** This afternoon, explore Bruges.

Rejoin the ship in Middelburg and cruise to Veere. Tonight, join the Captain's Welcome Reception and Dinner.

#### Day Four

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#### Veere

**Free Time:** Explore Veere, considered one of the prettiest port towns in the Netherlands.

#### ELECTIVE | The Zeeland Coast and the Dutch Battle Against the Sea.

Travel along the Zeeland coast to the artificial island of Neeltje Jans and its Delta Expo. Learn about the Delta Works, a series of massive dams and storm surge barriers built after the 1953 North Sea flood, that now protect the third of the country's landmass that sits below sea level. A riveting 3-D exhibit allows you to experience how the North Sea waves wiped out part of the country in 1953.

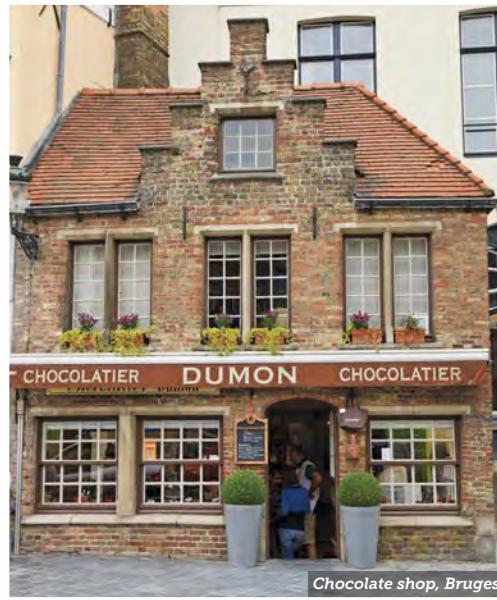
The ship arrives in Willemstad late tonight.

#### Day Five

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#### The Hague | Delft

Early this morning, the ship docks in Schoonhoven.



Town Hall, Antwerp

**Enrichment: The Dutch Masters.** Learn how these Golden Age artists painted their realistic portraits, landscapes and still lifes.

Travel by motor coach to The Hague.

#### • PYC | Choose one of these excursions:

Both of today's excursions include a panoramic tour of The Hague and a guided walking tour of Delft's old town. In The Hague, see the home of the Dutch parliament, the Binnenhof; the Peace Palace; and the Wassenaar neighborhood, where King Willem-Alexander and his family reside. In Delft, see the old town's highlights, including Market Square and the Palace Prinsenhof, once home to William of Orange.

#### • The Hague, Delft and the Mauritshuis.

Enjoy the tours in The Hague and Delft. Then explore the renowned Mauritshuis museum with works by Dutch and Flemish masters, most notably Vermeer's Girl with a Pearl Earring.

#### • The Hague, Delft and Royal Delft

**Porcelain.** Enjoy the tours in The Hague and

Delft. Then visit the Royal Delft porcelain factory, founded in 1653. See how this iconic blue and white pottery is produced, watch an artisan at work and view Royal Delft's porcelain collection.

**Free Time:** Enjoy time on your own in Delft.

This evening, the ship cruises to Kampen.

#### Day Six

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#### Kampen | Giethoorn

**Discovery: Giethoorn.** Feel as though you've stepped into a fairy tale in the winsome village of Giethoorn, free of cars and interlaced with footpaths and narrow canals covered by tiny wooden bridges. Wend your way through by boat and then explore on foot on your own.

**Free Time:** Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure in Kampen. The ship departs from Kampen tonight for Amsterdam.

#### Day Seven

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#### Amsterdam

**Discovery: Canal Cruise.** Glide through the city's canals and admire gabled Dutch homes, rustic houseboats and other architectural gems.

**Free Time:** Explore Amsterdam this afternoon.

#### Enrichment: Contemporary Holland.

Delve into current affairs in the Netherlands.

**ELECTIVE | Dinner on the Town.** Savor a wonderful multi-course dinner at an authentic Dutch restaurant filled with old-world charm.

#### Day Eight

B | L | D

#### Amsterdam

#### • PYC | Choose one of these excursions:

**• Keukenhof Gardens.** On a guided walk, journey through this 80-acre paradise of vibrant tulips, daffodils and other flowers. Each spring, more than 7 million bulbs burst into bloom!

• **Waterland Ride.** Explore Holland like a local and pedal through lush Waterland with its quaint fishing villages and stunning views.

• **Dutch Art.** Visit the Rijksmuseum to see its outstanding collection, featuring works by 17th-century Dutch masters Rembrandt, Vermeer and Frans Hals.

**Free Time:** Enjoy the afternoon in Amsterdam. Tonight, gather for a Farewell Reception and Dinner to commemorate your journey.

## Day Nine

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### In Transit

Disembark the ship in Amsterdam. Transfer  to the Amsterdam airport for the return flights to your gateway city.

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved. This itinerary may not reflect the



Cathedral, Antwerp

actual direction of your particular cruise date, which may sail in the opposite direction to the same ports of call. A detailed preliminary itinerary with the actual direction of your cruise will be sent to you upon confirmation.

Transfers and flights included for AHL FlexAir participants  
B|L|D denotes breakfasts, lunches and dinners.



### MS Amadeus Silver

The stylish MS Amadeus Silver and its experienced crew provide the highest levels of service and comfort. Relax in a lounge chair on the sun deck or treat yourself to a soothing massage. If you'd like to be more active, practice your golf game on the putting green or exercise in the fitness room. Savor international cuisine at the restaurant's delicious breakfast and lunch buffets, and enjoy regional specialties served with wine, beer and soft drinks at lunch and dinner. At the end of each day, return to the comforts of your cabin, appointed in bright, modern décor and featuring a river view, a satellite TV and a private bathroom with a shower. Complimentary Wi-Fi is available.

Note: Some sailings will be on the MS Amadeus Silver III.





Right: Delta Works, Neeltje Jans



## | ELECTIVE | EXTENSION IN AMSTERDAM

This extension includes two nights in picturesque Amsterdam! Your first-class hotel right in the heart of the city is the ideal base for exploring Amsterdam's lively neighborhood streets and scenic canals, as well as its world-class museums and attractions.

Enjoy a guided walking tour in the old Harbor and a visit to the National Maritime Museum. Get to know Amsterdam more intimately with extra days of exploration.

Includes two nights at the DoubleTree by Hilton Amsterdam Centraal Station; two breakfasts; and the services of an expert guide and an AHI Travel Director.

**Price: USD \$695 per person, double occupancy; USD \$1,090 single occupancy**

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Suite 600  
Chicago, IL 60631

Please contact AHI Travel at **800-323-7373** with questions regarding this tour or to make a reservation.

Program date desired: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Two-Night Extension in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Please make \_\_\_\_\_ reservations for me/us on the Elective Extension in Amsterdam. Single supplement applies.

I/we authorize you to make my/our reservations as follows:

Cabin Category Desired: 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

### Cruise Program and AHI FlexAir

I/we reserve the Cruise Program and request the AHI FlexAir to depart from: \_\_\_\_\_

Departure City \_\_\_\_\_

- Please contact me regarding air options.  
 Please send me information on upgrading my flights.

### Cruise Program

I/we will make my/our own air arrangements and transfers.

### Single Accommodations

I prefer single accommodations (supplement waived, limited availability).

Reservations are subject to availability and processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations to be paid in full 75 days prior to departure. Reservations received after this date must be accompanied by payment in full. Final payment may be made by personal check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover or Amex. Make checks payable to AHI Travel.

Enclosed is a deposit of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$600 pp required) to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s).

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If you are interested in making independent travel arrangements before and/or after this program, please contact AHI Travel at **800-323-7373** no later than 60 days prior to departure and they will be happy to assist you with your reservations.

A nonrefundable service fee and additional air/land charges based on reservations apply.

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Don't worry! Travel happy!

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## PROGRAM DATES

### Land Program dates:

(See cover for AHI FlexAir dates.  
Please call for more details.)

April 5-12, 2018

April 19-26, 2018

May 3-10, 2018

April 12-19, 2018

May 2-9, 2018

## CRUISE PROGRAM

Category-Deck	Full Price	Special Savings	Special Price*
E-Haydn (Aft)	\$2,745	\$250	<b>\$2,495</b>
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C-Strauss (Aft)	\$3,145	\$250	<b>\$2,895</b>
B-Strauss (Midship)	\$3,245	\$250	<b>\$2,995</b>
A-Mozart (Aft)	\$3,545	\$250	<b>\$3,295</b>
Suite-Mozart (Midship)	\$3,945	\$250	<b>\$3,695</b>

Suites feature a balcony. Categories A, B and C feature a drop-down panoramic window.

Categories D and E feature an elevated stationary window.

\*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel.

VAT and Port Tax supplement is an additional \$395 per person. All prices quoted are per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single supplement waived for solo travelers! This offer is limited, capacity controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

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### UNESCO World Heritage

1. Historic Center of Bruges, Belgium
2. The 17th-century Canal Ring Area of Amsterdam inside the Singelgracht, The Netherlands



# INCLUDED FEATURES

## ACCOMMODATIONS

(With baggage handling.)

- Seven nights aboard the first-class MS Amadeus Silver or the MS Amadeus Silver III

## TRANSFERS

- All deluxe motor coach transfers in the Cruise Program itinerary and baggage handling.

## EXTENSIVE MEAL PROGRAM

- Seven breakfasts, four lunches and seven dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine, beer or soft drinks with lunch and dinner.
- Take advantage of leisure time to try the local cuisine independently.



## AHI TRAVEL EXPERTISE

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

### **Before you go:**

- **Travel Consultants** | These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.
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### **Once you arrive:**

On the ground, three layers of top-quality professionals offer their insiders' perspective. From suggesting the best café or pub to sharing a laugh over the stories of the day, our dedicated team takes your adventure to the next level.

- **Travel Director** | Throughout your journey, you will be in the care of a seasoned AHI travel professional who will manage all the logistics, allowing you to relax and simply soak up the ambience. Resourceful, knowledgeable and attentive, your Travel Director helps to ensure you enjoy an unforgettable travel experience.
- **Expert Guides** | Who better to show you around than the people who live there? We've specially selected informed and enthusiastic local professional guides who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for their country with you.
- **Lecturers** | Coming from all walks of life, our entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.

## YOUR ONE-OF-A-KIND JOURNEY

- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history:
  - Explore vibrant, colorful Antwerp along its cobblestone lanes.
  - Wend your way through enchanting Giethoorn by boat.
  - Cruise the canals of Amsterdam.
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- Bruges** | Cultural Bruges | Bruges and Beer | Bruges and Belgian Chocolate
- The Hague and Delft** | The Hague, Delft and the Mauritshuis | The Hague, Delft and Royal Delft Porcelain
- Amsterdam** | Keukenhof Gardens | Waterland Ride | Dutch Art



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