# **10 DAY TULIP SERENADE** Through the Waterways of The Netherlands & Belgium

10 Days: May 2 - May 11, 2026

# Starting at: \$4899 FROM NEW YORK

(Lowest category air/land tour price is \$4299 plus \$600 gov't taxes/airline surcharges) AMSTERDAM ARNHEM MIDDELBURG VEERE GHENT BRUGES ANTWERP BRUSSELS ROTTERDAM

# Hosted by CHANCELLOR BILL & EDWINA GREER

With Optional Shore Excursion Package Including SEVEN Excursions! See Inside for Details! **MS Amadeus Riva** 

# TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

Roundtrip airfare from New York

- Accommodations on the land portion of the tour at a first class/select hotel in twin-bedded rooms with private facilities
- Accommodations on the MS Amadeus Riva in handsomely appointed staterooms sharing in twinbedded cabins
- ♦ All meals while on board the cruise. Breakfast daily on the land portion
- Free-flowing red & white regional wines, beer, and soft drinks with lunch and dinner onboard the cruise portion of the tour
- Gratuities for shipboard staff and crew
- Services of a professional English-speaking local guide during the land portion of the tour
- All admission fees and hotel service charges
- All port charges and local taxes
- Transfers between airport/hotel/pier on arrival and departure



# DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

## NEW YORK/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

#### SATURDAY, MAY 2

Depart today from New York on board your overnight transatlantic jet flights to Amsterdam, arriving the following day.

## ARRIVE AMSTERDAM

#### SUNDAY, MAY 3

Arrive today in one of Europe's most sophisticated capitals, the city of Amsterdam where you will be met and escorted to your waiting motorcoach. Enjoy a panoramic orientation tour of Amsterdam before proceeding to your hotel for the night.

### AMSTERDAM/EMBARK SHIP

### MONDAY. MAY 4

Your morning in Amsterdam is again free to continue sightseeing on your own. You can visit some of the city's other famous museums, such as the Rijksmuseum filled priceless paintings by Rembrandt and Dutch masters or the Van Gogh Museum. This afternoon your cruise begins as you embark on the *MS Amadeus Riva*. Enjoy the rest of your day relaxing on your riverboat. After a welcome cocktail and a celebratory welcome dinner, a traditional "Shanty Choir" will perform for you and your fellow travelers as you begin your journey on your 'floating hotel.' (B,D)

## **TUESDAY, MAY 5**

ARNHEM

Your ship arrives Arnhem in the early morning. Arnhem is best known today as the site of one of the most famous battles of World War II. The Battle of Arnhem, part of Operation Market Garden, was fought in September 1944. Today is at leisure to stroll through the quaint port town and see various spots associated with that famous battle. Enjoy a relaxing evening on board, while the vessel continues to your next port of call. (B,L,D)

### MIDDELBURG

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6 Late this morning, your ship will dock in the port of Middelburg. The city has a rich history as an important hub for the Dutch East India Company, which is still on display today through its stately historic warehouses, Gothic townhall and storefronts lining its canals. For your afternoon excursion, you have the option to take a drive to the beautiful town of Veere, which was a thriving trading port in the Middle Ages. Today Veere is a popular destination with its picturesque houses and beautiful waterfront view. Embark on a voyage of discovery through the streets of Veere, past the Grote Kerk (Old Church), before sampling typical Dutch specialties -"Bitterbal" or a "Zeeuwse Oyster" accompanied by a glass of local wine (specialty depends on availability due to the season). (B,L,D)

#### GHENT

**THURSDAY, MAY 7** The *MS Amadeus Riva* reaches the imperial city of Ghent in the early hours of the morning. Meander around and view the fine sights of the city in which the Emperor Charles 5<sup>th</sup> was born. In the afternoon you can let yourself be transported back into medieval Flanders on your optional excursion to Bruges, also known as the "Venice of the North". The old craft of the "bobbin", a skill that has become very rare, has been cultivated in the "Beginenhof" in Bruges since the middle of the 13<sup>th</sup> century. You will see the "Pulverturm", the Town Hall with its wonderful façade, and a Madonna by Michelangelo in the magnificent "Liebfrauenkirche". There's time in the evening to further explore Ghent on your own before the ship casts off again. **(B,L,D)** 

## FRIDAY, MAY 8

#### ANTWERP

Early this morning your ship docks in Antwerp, Belgium's second largest city and formerly one of the most important harbors in the world. Antwerp is best known for its diamonds and as the city of Peter Paul Rubens, who spent the best part of his life here leaving many traces of his influence as a diplomat, architect and teacher as well as a painter. There's plenty of time in the morning and afternoon to explore this city on your own or you can join the "Brussels" optional sightseeing excursion to the Belgian capital. Late tonight you set sail, heading back into the Netherlands. **(B,L,D)** 



#### ROTTERDAM

#### SATURDAY, MAY 9

Your ship arrives in Rotterdam early this morning. After breakfast, you may join the optional excursion that pays a visit to Kinderdijk, which houses the most unique windmill complex in the world. Built to drain water from the soil, these windmills are now protected by UNESCO and are one of the Netherlands' most popular tourist destinations. After lunch you have the opportunity to join the "Keukenhof" excursion which enables you to marvel at the tulip fields between Haarlem and Leiden. The Keukenhof flower displays feature literally millions of flowers with artistic perfection in the most beautiful park. (B,L,D)



### SUNDAY, MAY 10

AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam welcomes you back today. Founded as a small fishing village in the late 12th century, Amsterdam became one of the most important ports in the world during the Dutch Golden Age as a result of its innovative developments in trade. Today, the city has one of the largest historic centers in Europe, with about 7,500 registered historic buildings. The street pattern is largely unchanged since the 19th century. The center consists of 90 islands, linked by 400 bridges. You may join today's optional excursion and board your coach for a drive to the old fishing village of Volendam, built on the shore of the former Zuiderzee. Continue into the countryside to visit a local cheese farm. Here, you will learn how Dutch



cheese is made and sample the local product. On your way back to your ship, you will enjoy a short walk through the quaint village of Edam, famous for its cheese. Given its narrow streets, continue through the village on foot and see the Carillon tower, once part of a church that was destroyed in the 19th century. Walk to the cheese weighing house and the Dam with its 18th century town hall. Return to your ship where, this evening, the festive Captain's Gala Dinner will provide a fitting finish to the day and to your tour! **(B,L,SD)** 

#### DISEMBARK SHIP/AMSTERDAM/NEW YORK MONDAY, MAY 11

Disembark the ship early this morning and transfer to the Amsterdam airport. All too soon your pilgrimage is over as you board your flight back home, arriving the same day. **(B)** 

(B) - Breakfast (L) - Lunch (D) - Dinner (SD) - Special Dinner

# OPTIONAL RIVER CRUISE SHORE EXCURSION PACKAGE INCLUDES SEVEN EXCURSIONS \$615.00 PER PERSON

See shore excursion flyer for more detailed information.



**River Terrace Cafe** 

**Category B Stateroom** 

Panorama Restaurant

CABIN TYPE	NAWAS ALL INCLUSIVE PRICE PER PERSON FROM NEW YORK
Cat. C4 (Outside stateroom w/ 2 lower beds & panoramic window)	\$4899
Cat. C1 (Outside stateroom w/ 2 lower beds & panoramic window)	\$5299
Cat. B1 (Outside stateroom w/ 2 lower beds & floor to ceiling drop-down panoramic window)	\$5899
Cat. A1 (Outside stateroom w/ 2 lower beds & floor to ceiling drop-down panoramic window)	\$6199
Cat. Suite (Walk-out Exterior Balcony)	\$6799

All cabin categories are subject to availability and are offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Prices are per person, double occupancy. All prices listed above **INCLUDE** government taxes/airline surcharges of \$600 per person, as of February 10, 2025.

	TOUR-SPECIFIC INFORMATION
<ul> <li>PAYMENT SCHEDULE:</li> <li>Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit. Space is limited and offered on a first-come basis.</li> <li>A \$800 deposit is due with your reservation</li> <li>Final payment is due at NAWAS 140 days prior to departure date</li> </ul>	For terms and conditions please visit: https://www.nawas.com/terms-and-conditions2026/ Taxes/Airline Surcharges: In effect on February 10, 2025. Hotel Service Charges/Cruise Taxes: In effect on February 10, 2025 (excluding hotel tourist taxes and cruise fuel surcharges, if any). Airfare: In effect on February 10, 2025. Land Costs: Based on estimated 2026 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on February 10, 2025 and a minimum of 32 or more participants per coach .

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Signature Passenger # 1

Date

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# OPTIONAL EXCURSION PACKAGE \$615.00 PER PERSON

Amadeus River Cruises and Nawas International Travel have handpicked SEVEN carefully curated Shore Excursions offered as a package at a discounted rate. To give you a diverse and culturally immersive experience throughout your river cruise at an AMAZING price!!

### ARNHEM AND THE HISTORY OF WORLD WAR II

#### (TUESDAY, MAY 5)

Take a drive through the city of Arnhem, known for the World War II Battle of Arnhem operation "Market Garden". In September 1944, the British 1st Airborne Division and the Polish 1st Independent Parachute Brigade were given the task of securing the bridge at Arnhem, captured in the movie "A Bridge too Far". You will drive past various spots associated with this event. You will then visit the fully renewed Airborne Museum in Oosterbeek, with exhibits covering the landings into Arnhem. The building was a hotel in mid-1944, but in September that year, it became the headquarters of the British commander-in-chief, Major General Roy Urguhart of the 1st Airborne Division. From here, Urguhart commanded Operation Market Garden – a dramatic battle in which 92 Polish, 1,482 British and more than 1,800 German troops, along with almost 1,000 civilians, lost their lives. *Duration: approx. 3 hrs Walking grade: •••* 

#### <u>"AMADEUS TASTE" VEERE WITH TASTING OF DUTCH SPECIALITIES</u> (WEDNESDAY, MAY 6)

Take a drive to the beautiful town of Veere, which was a thriving trading port in the Middle Ages due to the wool trade with Scotland. Today Veere is a popular destination with its picturesque houses and beautiful waterfront view. Embark on a voyage of discovery through the streets of Veere, past the Grote Kerk (Old Church), before sampling typical Dutch specialties - "Bitterbal" or a "Zeeuwse Oyster" accompanied by a glass of local wine. (specialty depends on availability due to the season). Duration: approx. 3 hrs Walking grade: •••



#### GHENT W/ GRAVENSTEEN MEDIEVAL FORTRESS (THURSDAY, MAY 7)

Discover one of the most attractive cities in Belgium with its a rich heritage of medieval buildings. Stroll through the picturesque center, pass by the UNESCO World Heritage Ghent Belfry, where 54 bells ring out. Continue with a visit to St. Bavo Cathedral and admire one of the most important works of art of the Middle Ages – the Ghent Altarpiece by Hubert and Jan van Eyck. Afterwards, visit the Castle of the Counts (Gravensteen Fortress), built in the 12th century by the Count of Flanders after his return from the Crusades. It is the only preserved medieval moated castle with an almost completely intact defense system in Flanders. As a special treat, visit a local chocolate confectionary for a taste of local chocolate delicacies. Free time to explore the city on your own before returning to the ship. *Duration: approx. 4 hrs Walking grade:* 

#### BRUSSELS WITH ATOMIUM AND CINQUANTENAIRE PARK (FRIDAY, MAY 8)

After a comfortable coach ride you will reach Brussels, the capital of Belgium. Your tour starts in the verdant Laken area, which boasts landmarks such as the Heysel stadium, Notre Dame of Laken, the famous Atomium and the royal residence. The tour continues through the eastern part of the city, including the 30-hectare Cinquantenaire park esplanade with its U-shaped building complex, and the city center with the Royal Palace, the city park and the palace of justice. To conclude the tour, walk through Europe's oldest shopping mall before returning to the ship. Duration: approx. 4.5 hrs Walking grade: ••

#### KINDERDIJK AND VISIT TO THE WINDMILLS (SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 9)

Holland is famous for its traditional windmills, of which more than 1,000 still exist today. The largest collection of windmills can be found near Kinderdijk. This is a group of 19 well-preserved windmills, built around 1740. Visit one of the old mills and learn more about the work of the mills in the past and the changes due to modern technology. *Duration: approx. 2 hrs Walking grade:* ••••

## VISIT TO THE KEUKENHOF FLOWER GARDENS

#### (SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 9)

Travel via coach to one of Europe's largest garden displays, the Keukenhof Gardens, the showplace of the tulip growers of the Netherlands. Art, royal flair and creative diversity meet in this park. Keukenhof is not open all year round, but only in late March, April and the beginning of May. Seven million tulips, narcissi and hyacinths form a colorful carpet of blooms. Round, oval, triangular and rectangular borders line the park's driveways, making a cheerful ensemble of colors, shapes and scents. Alternating exhibitions, known as parades, bloom in several pavilions. Numerous sculptures also lurk between the flowerbeds, as harmony between art and nature is a major feature of this park.

Duration: approx. 4.5 hrs Walking grade: ••

#### A DUTCH TRIP TO WATERLAND (SUNDAY, MAY 10)

Take a drive through the Dutch Polder landscape to the old fishing village of Volendam, built on the shore of the former Zuiderzee. Take a stroll through the old village. Continue into the countryside to visit a local cheese farm. Here, you will learn how Dutch cheese is made and sample the local product. On your way back to your ship, you will enjoy a short walk through the quaint village of Edam, famous for its cheese. Given its narrow streets, continue through the village on foot and see the Carillon tower, once part of a church that was destroyed in the 19th century. Walk to the cheese weighing house and the Dam with its 18th century town hall. *Duration: approx. 4 hrs Walking grade:* \*\*\*

#### **EXCURSION INFORMATION**

Some excursions involve a fair amount of walking, sometimes over uneven surfaces. The following coding system has been used to assist with identifying which excursions are appropriate for you. Please ask your advisor for additional information as required.

• LEVEL 1: Minimum walking; excursion by bus with short photo stops.

•• LEVEL 2: The excursion by bus is followed by a moderate walking tour. You may need to climb some stairs.

••• LEVEL 3: The excursion by bus is followed by a longer walk. You may need to climb several stairs.

•••• LEVEL 4: Moderate walking tour. You may need to climb some stairs.

••••• LEVEL 5: Considerable walk with longer distances. This may include uneven surfaces and some stairs.

# Yes! Sign me up for the optional Shore Excursion Package. <u>I have enclosed my additional \$100.00 per person deposit.</u>

Print Your Name(s):

Signed/Dated:

**PLEASE RETURN WITH YOUR RESERVATION FORM!**