

# HOLLAND WATERWAYS TULIP TIME RIVER CRUISE

FROM \$1,999 AIR & CRUISE

*Onboard the Luxurious*

5 STAR "MV SILVER II"

MARCH 26 - APRIL 3, 2016

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Explore the amazing countryside and waterways of Holland in the most ideal way possible – by cruising through the extensive network of rivers and canals sprawling throughout the country. Glide past infinite tulip fields and enjoy the most picturesque towns and scenery as you travel through Holland on this amazing vacation adventure with Central Holidays. Highlights on your river cruise include excursions in Amsterdam, Ghent, Antwerp and a tour of Keukenhof Gardens.

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9 DAYS/7 NIGHTS

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(7) Cruise - Amsterdam to Amsterdam



## TOUR FEATURES

- Round trip air from New York
- 8 days/7 nights on Lüftner Cruises
- 20 included meals consisting of:
  - 7 buffet breakfasts
  - 6 lunches
  - 7 dinners
- Red and white wines from Europe's great wine regions with every dinner
- Welcome Cocktail Reception
- Assistance of a professional cruise director for the entire length of the cruise
- Complimentary state-of-the-art audio headsets for all excursions
- City Tour Amsterdam with canal cruise
- Excursion Arnhem & Open Air Museum or Arnhem & World War II History
- City Walk Middelburg
- City Tour Ghent
- City Tour Antwerp
- Excursion to the flower park Keukenhof
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Daily music performance by on board musicians
- Non-smoking environment. Smoking allowed only on the Sun Deck
- Complimentary bicycles on board
- Port Taxes

## MS Amadeus Silver II

The 'AMADEUS Silver II' is the second 135 meter vessel in the AMADEUS fleet and will continue the success of its sister vessel as well as implementing both new and familiar concepts: The public areas popular with the passengers, for example the classic 'Café Vienna' and outdoor glass-shielded 'River Terrace', have been incorporated into the planning of the new boat. The cabin design plans are a new and forward-thinking part of the company's premium focus: the original cabin number of 90 has been reduced to 84 in order to create more space for larger cabins and public areas and the cabin bathrooms offer more space and special luxury furnishings.

## World class dining

For more than 30 years outstanding hospitality has been our mission for all guests enjoying our river cruise. Gourmet dishes, choice wines and a fantastic atmosphere await you aboard our AMADEUS ships, where passengers enjoy exclusive catering which allows them to relax completely and let our attentive dining room staff spoil them from early till late. At every dinner we serve superb wine selections from Europe's best wine-producing regions. Our ambitious chef conjures up the most delicious dishes, adding his own enthusiasm to the freshest local ingredients. You'll be surprised by the range of carefully selected menus, our particular delicacies, and international specialties that allow you to choose between classical haute cuisine, regional dishes and a vegetarian alternative. Only one aspect of the tremendous variety of cooking on board never changes, and that is our outstanding hospitality, which characterizes your trip from start to finish.

## Feel at home right away

Elegant, friendly, comfortable – we provide as many of the amenities as possible to make you feel as comfortable as though you were at home on your travel vacation. Aboard the AMADEUS SILVER, appreciate the ease of travel by water without having to forego any of the comforts of a 5-star hotel. We work every day to ensure you feel comfortable and taken care of on-board so you can enjoy your cruise on Europe's most breathtaking waterways. You'll feel at home right away when you see how stylish and luxurious your river cruise cabin is. Absolutely all of the AMADEUS SILVER cabins face the exterior and most of them have French-style balconies. The broad glass frontages provide spectacular views of the scenery passing by, of charming towns and fascinating cultural sights, right from the comfort of your room.





**Day 1 Depart USA** Today you depart for Amsterdam, Holland. Meals and refreshments will be served on board during your journey.

**Day 2 Arrive in Amsterdam** Upon arrival you will be met by Central Holidays representatives outside of the security section of the airport. They will escort you to Amsterdam and to check-in to your riverboat, home for the next seven nights. Enjoy some free-time exploring your new floating home and this evening you will enjoy a welcome cocktail party to meet fellow passengers followed by your dinner on-board the ship. You remain in Amsterdam this evening and will have the opportunity to explore Amsterdam as you wish. (D)

**Day 3 Amsterdam/Volendam** This morning you can enjoy an included city tour of Amsterdam with a canal cruise and visit to the flower market. Stroll along the canals of this delightful 700-year-old European capital with its elegant and classic architecture, cafés, restaurants, lively marketplace and exciting nightlife. Perhaps visit one of the city's renowned museums such as the Rijksmuseum, the Van Gogh Museum or the Hortus botanical gardens. You will find the Anne Frank house here as well. The city is also noted for its diamond cutting trade, and tours are available to diamond cutting workshops. Your ship departs Amsterdam around lunchtime and crosses over the "IJsselmeer" to the little fishing town of Volendam. This is a day to savor the historic Dutch ports and lifestyle of the old Zuider Zee. Volendam is one of the prettiest places in northern Holland, having been a major fishing port. The town's main street is lined with cafés and shops, some of whose staff still wear the traditional costumes. Here there will be an optional "Holland Waterland" tour. Start here with a short stroll through the town before boarding a coach and driving out of Volendam into the countryside to visit a farm specializing in local Dutch cheeses. On the way back to Volendam there will be a short walk through the quaint village of Edam, a town famous for its namesake cheese and founded in the 12th century. The vessel leaves Volendam before midnight. (B,L,D)

**Day 4 Arnhem** Arrive in Arnhem at noon and choose between two excursions. On the "Arnhem and the Open Air Museum" excursion you will drive through the town of Arnhem, where the World War II Market Garden parachute landings and the battle for the bridge took place, giving the town a melancholy fame. Then continue to an Open Air Museum, located in beautiful scenery on the town's outskirts. This museum displays more than 80 historic houses, farmhouses and mills from all over the Netherlands. Alternatively you can take the "Arnhem & World War II History" excursion, which also includes a tour of the town and a visit of the Hartenstein Airborne Museum. In the evening the cruise departs for Middelburg. (B,L,D)

**Day 5 Middelburg** You arrive in Middelburg at noon, the capital of the Dutch province of Zeeland. This town was seriously damaged during the Second World War and is dominated by a 55-metre high belfry of the medieval town hall. While here, you will take a walking tour of historic Middelburg. Stroll through the medieval atmosphere of this town with stops in shops and historic city sights. While enjoying dinner back on the ship we depart Middelburg and set sail for Ghent. (B,L,D)

**Day 6 Ghent** Arrive in Ghent in the early morning. This city is the real diamond of Flanders. In a unique way, Ghent has managed to preserve its medieval charm and power, while keeping up with the times. The city center alone is a showcase of medieval Flemish wealth and commercial success. During the included city tour visit the old town center with a certain medieval charm and its historic buildings. In the afternoon join an optional Bruges sightseeing tour which feels like a journey back in time to medieval Flanders. The old craft of the "bobbin" - a skill that has become very rare - has been cultivated in the "Begijnenhof" in Bruges since the middle of the 13th century. You will see the "Pulverturm," the town hall with its wonderful facade, and a Madonna by Michelangelo in the magnificent "Liebfrauenkirche". Later this afternoon there's time to explore Ghent on your own, before the ship casts off again. (B,L,D)



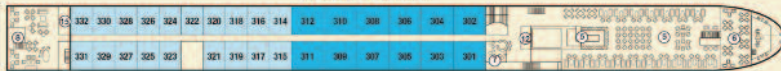
## MV SILVER II DECKPLAN



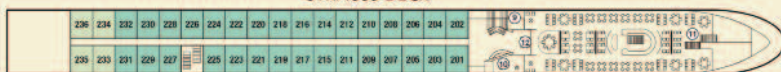
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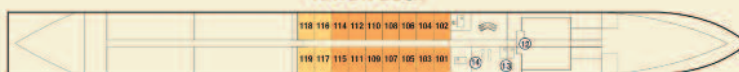
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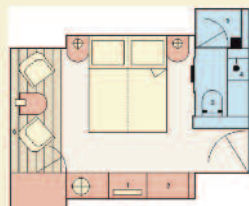
HAYDN-DECK



DECKPLAN: 1 Sun deck with deck-chairs - 2 Navigation Bridge - 3 Lido-Bar - 4 Chess Board - 5 Panorama-Bar - 6 River Terrace  
7 Café Vienna - 8 Amadeus Club with Internet Café - 9 Bord Shop - 10 Reception - 11 Panorama-Restaurant - 12 Lift - 13 Fitness Room  
14 Massage - 15 Hairdresser



- Amadeus-Suite - Mozart-Deck
- A-1 - Mozart-Deck
- B-1 - Strauss-Deck
- B-4 - Strauss-Deck
- C-1 - Haydn-Deck
- C-4 - Haydn-Deck



**CABIN** (17,5 m<sup>2</sup> / 188 sq ft):  
1 Flatscreen TV - 2 Safe - 3 Toilet  
4 Wash basin - 5 Shower  
6 Drop-down French Balcony



**AMADEUS-SUITE** (26,4m<sup>2</sup> / 284 sq ft):  
1 Flatscreen-TV - 2 Minibar - 3 Safe  
4 Toilet - 5 Wash basin - 6 Shower  
7 Outside Balcony

**TECHNICAL DATA:**  
Built: 2015  
Draught: 1,45 m  
Height above water: 6,00 m  
Length: 135m / 443 ft  
Breadth: 11,4m / 37,4 ft  
Speed: 25 km/h / 15,5 mph  
Crew members: ca. 46  
Cabins/Suites: 72/12



Utrecht

**Day 8 Kinderdijk/Utrecht/Amsterdam** This morning you arrive in Kinderdijk and can join an optional city walk of Kinderdijk. This is where you'll see Holland's largest concentration of working windmills – a great opportunity for beautiful photos. Before lunch the cruise continues to Utrecht, where the ship moors in the early afternoon. Here you will take an included Keukenhof excursion. Keukenhof's flower displays are made up of millions of flowers formed to display artistic perfection in the most beautiful park. Nowhere else in the world are spring flowers and colors as glorious as they are at Keukenhof. Its beautiful parks offer relaxation and inspiration to anyone willing to open their minds. In addition to the millions of flowers growing freestyle or formed into arrangements, Keukenhof has the largest sculpture park in the Netherlands and is one of the most photographed places in the world. Those who have been on this excursion will rejoin the ship in Amsterdam, where it stays moored overnight. Tonight explore Amsterdam for one final time and be sure to fit in any last minute shopping – or enjoy a drink at a local bar and take in the Amsterdam evening. Dinner is included on the ship. (B,L,D)

**Day 9 Amsterdam to USA** Disembark this morning after breakfast and depart for the airport for your return flight home. (B)  
B – Breakfast, L – Lunch, D – Dinner

Hotel/boat and itinerary are subject to change. As the Tulip flowering season is a natural event, the Tulips may or may not be in bloom during this period.

**Day 7 Antwerp** In the early morning hours your ship docks in Antwerp and one of the biggest ports in all of Europe. This city was a great center for the arts in the Renaissance period. Some of Ruben's masterpieces can be seen in the massive Gothic cathedral. The main square of Antwerp, the Grote Markt, is surrounded by fine Renaissance buildings including a 16th century town hall. During the included city tour you will have a chance to see firsthand the beauty of this magnificent city. In recent years traffic has been banned from much of the city center, and trams have been diverted into subways, making it a pleasant city for strolling and shopping at leisure. There's plenty of time in the afternoon to explore this city on your own or to join our optional Brussels excursion to the Belgian capital, where you can photograph the famous "Mannekin Pis." Join the Captains Gala dinner this evening where you will hear from the ship's wonderful orchestra, which has been entertaining you in the Panorama bar throughout the cruise. (B,L,D)



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