



Amsterdam Highlights with Keukenhof & Floriade Expo

7 days | 2 people | Arrival Saturday, May 7, 2022 | Reference # 2040386Bak2

Explore two European capitals and take in three horticultural shows whilst doing so!



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Trip summary

Explore Amsterdam and the surrounding areas with expert guides. Enjoy a day at the Floriade Expo and another in the Keukenhof gardens. Then, the scene shifts to London where you will see the city with a private guide before venturing out to the expansive gardens at Hampton Court palace. Round off the trip with a day at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show.

SAT, MAY 07, 2022

Day 1

AMSTERDAM

The Adventure Begins

- Airport Transfer - Private
- Netherlands Welcome Package

[Hotel Estherea](#)

Luxury Canal Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

SUN, MAY 08, 2022

Day 2

AMSTERDAM

Along Cobblestone Streets

- 1/2 Day Canal & City Tour by Boat (4 hrs) - Private Tour

[Hotel Estherea](#)

Luxury Canal Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

MON, MAY 09, 2022

Day 3

AMSTERDAM

Tulip Time

- 1/2 Day Keukenhof (4 hrs) - Private Tour
- 1/2 Day Canal House Museum & Garden Walking Tour (4 hrs) - Guide

[Hotel Estherea](#)

Luxury Canal Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

TUE, MAY 10, 2022

Day 4

AMSTERDAM

Explore with an Expert

- Zaanse Schans, Volendam & Marken (8 hrs) - Private Tour

[Hotel Estherea](#)

Luxury Canal Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

WED, MAY 11, 2022

Day 5

AMSTERDAM

Floriade Festival

- Floriade - Admission with Transfers - Vehicle/Driver

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THU, MAY 12, 2022

Day 6

AMSTERDAM

Escape to the Country

- Countryside Cycling & Cheese Farm (with Lunch, 5 hrs) - Private Tour

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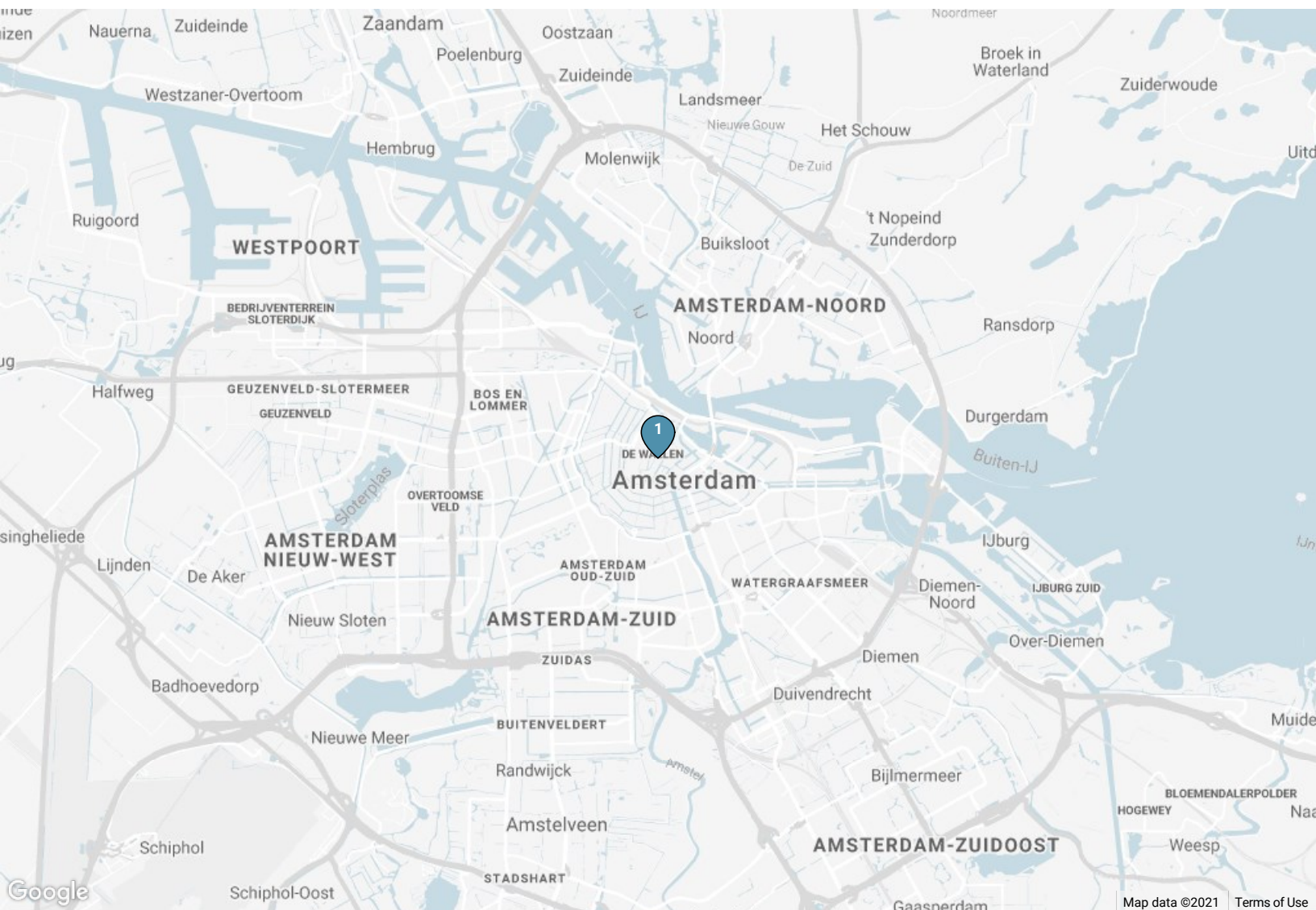
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Day 7

AMSTERDAM
Until Next Time...

- Airport Transfer - Private

Depart (Int`l Airport)
1 DBL (2 Adults)

Trip map



Trip details



DAY 1 - SAT, MAY 07, 2022: AMSTERDAM

The Adventure Begins

Meet your private driver and vehicle for an airport transfer.

A welcome package with a city map, train tickets (if relevant), and any other touristic information that we deem you may find useful will be given to you by your driver upon arrival. Alternative arrangements will be made if you do not have a private transfer at the start of your itinerary.

Where you're staying

Hotel Estherea

Luxury Canal Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)



DAY 2 - SUN, MAY 08, 2022: AMSTERDAM

Along Cobblestone Streets

Meet your private driver for a transfer toward your awaiting canal boat for a half-day of privately-captained cruising on the canals of Amsterdam. With a dedicated skipper doubling as your guide, you'll board a unique classic boat, redesigned and restored with impressive state-of-the-art technology and modernity. Elegantly styled with an open aft deck seating area and a cozy mahogany interior saloon, enjoy a sleek and stylish way to experience some of the beauty of Amsterdam from the vantage point of its iconic canals. Your skilled and knowledgeable skipper will enlighten you on Amsterdam's culture, history and contemporary living, while you sit back and soak up the tranquil atmosphere. Witness a diversity of neighborhoods throughout the city, including the oldest part of town, the green parkland along the canal banks, and the rows of famous 17th century canal house mansions once owned by wealthy merchants. There will be time for short breaks to stretch your legs if you wish, or simply take the full 4 hours to relax on board, spotting monuments and landmarks as you go, such as the picturesque Seven Bridges, the iconic Rijksmuseum, the old Heineken Brewery, and the famed Anne Frank House. You can conclude your cruise back where you began, or better yet, bid your skipper farewell and disembark in the trendy Jordaan area, a perfect section of the city for you to source out a spot to for a relaxing lunch at leisure before an independent return to your hotel.

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DAY 3 - MON, MAY 09, 2022: AMSTERDAM

Tulip Time

Set out with a private guide and driver on a half-day tulip-filled excursion to Lisse, visiting the world renowned Keukenhof. Known as the Garden of Europe, the Keukenhof is one of the largest flower gardens in the entire world. Over 7 million bulbs will be in bloom, with over 800 varieties of tulips. Enjoy the fresh air as you stroll the amazing park and take in the magnificent displays of tulips and other flowery delights, blooming in all colors of the rainbow, and planted according to an annual theme. A truly magnificent experience for all nature lovers. Conclude with a return transfer to Amsterdam.

Meet your private guide at your hotel before exploring Amsterdam's historic canal-side houses and their rich history. Your first visit is to The Cromhouthuis, a canal house museum showcasing an eclectic collection of art and oddities from its former 17th and 18th century owners, the Cromhouts. Wander through the house alongside your guide and discover what life was like for this established elite of Amsterdam. Ascend the carved staircase to view the Bible Museum on the top floors of the house, which combines religious relics with art and culture. The gem of the Cromhouthuis is its hidden garden, designed in an 18th century geometric pattern and incorporating the flora featured in the Bible. Your next stop is the Museum Willet-Holthuysen, the only furnished canal-side aristocratic house open to the public throughout the year. Built in 1685, this lavish museum provides a memorable impression of the day-to-day life for the affluent and features impressive collection of art amid its 18th and 19th-century period rooms. Wander through the garden, designed in the popular French Classical style of the time, before returning to your hotel.

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DAY 4 - TUE, MAY 10, 2022: AMSTERDAM

Explore with an Expert

Set out on a full day tour with your private guide and driver into North Holland, discovering the windmill village of Zaanse Schans, and the lakeside villages of Volendam and Marken. Windmills have long been considered some of the most iconic imagery of the Netherlands, and the picturesque setting of Zaanse Schans offers exactly that. Preserving the appearance of an 18th-19th century Dutch village, the Zaanse Schans boasts an assortment of historic windmills along the edge of the river Zaan, remnants from when the district was covered with nearly 700 active windmills at the turn of the 18th century. Stroll along the riverside to admire these symbolic mills, while making a visit to the Paintmill de Kat, the world's only active windmill which still makes pigment for paint. Through typical Dutch scenery, continue to Volendam where you'll take in the quaint sights of its colorful houses and old harbor lined with fishing boats. In Marken, admire a number of characteristic traditional wooden houses which add to the allure of this sleepy peninsula-village. If you're keen, make a visit to a North Holland cheese factory and traditional clog maker, both offering a slice of the Netherlands. Conclude your day on arrival back to Amsterdam.

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DAY 5 - WED, MAY 11, 2022: AMSTERDAM

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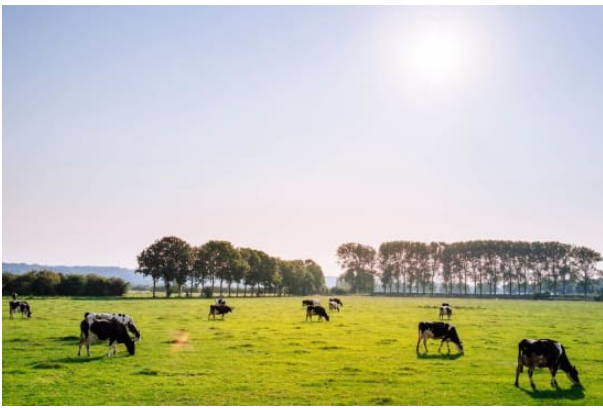
Starting in the spring of 2022, the seventh International Horticultural Expo Floriade Expo 2022 will take place in Almere. With the theme 'Growing Green Cities', the Expo will focus on the Green City of the Future for six months. The Floriade site will be a living laboratory with inspirational exhibitions by countries, cities, and innovative businesses. But also with impressive attractions, lots of art and culture, and with a unique collection of trees, shrubs, and flowers.

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DAY 6 - THU, MAY 12, 2022: AMSTERDAM

Escape to the Country

Depart Amsterdam by private vehicle for a cycling excursion through the scenic countryside villages of North Holland. On arrival to the lakeside town of Volendam, you'll be geared up with a bicycle and lead by your private guide on a scenic bike route through the province. Enjoy views of quaint, colorful houses, and old ports lined with fishing boats, along with green pastures and peaceful, rural vistas. In Katwoude, you'll visit a Henri Willig cheese farm known as Jacobs Hoeve, where staff in traditional costume demonstrate the cheesemaking process, while a shop surrounds you with shelves and shelves of cheese and typical Dutch fine foods. You'll be treated to lunch (beverages not included) in the quaint on-site restaurant, and have some time for a photo at a nearby 19th century windmill before returning back to Amsterdam.

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Ask Karen about these options



\$ \$ \$
1/2 Day Cycling Through Windmills
(4 hrs) - Private Tour



\$ \$ \$
1/2 Day Van Gogh Museum &
Rijksmuseum (4 hrs) - Private Tour



\$ \$ \$
1/2 Day Traditional Dutch Clog
Painting (3 hrs) - Private



\$ \$ \$
Rotterdam, Delft & The Hague (9
hrs) - Private Tour

Accommodation

AMSTERDAM

Hotel Estherea

The family-run boutique Hotel Estherea is housed in a row of 17th century buildings on the Singel, Amsterdam's oldest major canal and part of the ring of canals recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Dream away with the richly colored interior, the crystal chandeliers, the lavish fabrics and the expressive prints. Each of the 93 guestrooms and suites are individually styled, with no two alike. Located in the heart of Amsterdam, Dam Square, the central railway station, the main shopping area, museums, theaters, dining options and night life are all within walking distance. While there's no full restaurant on site, guests can relax with a cocktail and light snack at the on-site bar.

Room: **Luxury Canal Room**

Luxury Canal Rooms (min 215 sq.ft.) are located at the front of the hotel overlooking the historic Singel canal. These rooms are equipped with a luxurious bathroom with all amenities, television, safety deposit box, mini-bar, air conditioning, and wifi internet access.

The fine print

- Your deposit is due immediately on booking (30% of program price, minimum \$350). The balance is due 90 days prior to departure.
 - Cancellations of confirmed bookings 90 days or more prior to departure will receive full refund minus a \$350 (per person) administrative fee and any non-refundable paid fees (e.g. non-refundable airfare, cruise or hotel deposits). 60-89 days will be subject to loss of 30% of program price. 30-59 days will be subject to loss of 50% of program price. 29 days or less will be subject to loss of 100% of program price.
 - Tour quotes do not include airfare to/from the trip start point unless noted on the itinerary
 - Cost increases in currency exchange, government fees, taxes, surcharges or hotel/lodge tariff increases between quote date and start date are payable by the client.
 - Availability cannot be guaranteed until booked. We will exercise best efforts to book hotels per the itinerary, however, in busy seasons and with client bookings made within 90 days of tour date we may be forced to offer substitutes.
 - Payment of the program price constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out at www.privateguided.com/terms-and-conditions
 - Living Standards and practices at destination may differ from those in North America with respect to provisions of utilities, services and accommodation.
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