

Mystical Norwegian Fjords

ROTTERDAM POST-CRUISE VACATION PACKAGE

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Rotterdam sunset



Inspiring and innovative, Rotterdam is a major port city in the Dutch province of South Holland. Futuristic architecture, inspired local initiatives such as inner-city canal surfing, a proliferation of art, and a surge of drinking, dining and nightlife venues make Rotterdam one of Europe's most exhilarating cities. The Netherlands' second-largest metropolis has a diverse, multiethnic community, an absorbing maritime tradition centered on Europe's busiest port, and a wealth of first-class museums.

Rotterdam is a veritable open-air gallery of modern, postmodern, and contemporary construction. It's a remarkable feat for a city that had been demolished to the ground by WWII bombers. Rebuilding has continued unrelenting ever since with ingenuity and creative vision.

Split by the vast Nieuwe Maas shipping channel, a series of tunnels and bridges cross Rotterdam, notably the dramatic Erasmusbrug – the swooping white cable-stayed bridge dubbed de Zwaan (the Swan). On the north side of the water, the city center is easily strolled. This city is filled with extraordinary and innovative architecture, an exciting skyline, a vibrant entertainment scene, and a plethora of museums not to be missed!

TWO-NIGHT ROTTERDAM PACKAGE (JUNE 16 – 18, 2018)

\$499 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR ROOM

\$629 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR ROOM

\$529 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY - DELUXE ROOM

\$669 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY - DELUXE ROOM

INCLUDED

- Two nights at Rotterdam Marriott Hotel, inclusive of a full buffet breakfast each morning
- Hotel check-in is at 3 pm (June 16)
- Full day Rotterdam City & Spido Harbor Tour, inclusive of lunch (June 16)
- Full day Delft, The Hague & Kinderdijk Tour, inclusive of lunch (June 17)
- Group transfer from the Rotterdam Marriott Hotel to the Amsterdam Airport Schiphol (AMS) (June 18)
- Hotel dates are June 16 – 18, 2018, with checkout on June 18 at 12 pm
- Meals as indicated on the itinerary
- Round-trip hotel luggage portorage
- Olivia staff assistance throughout

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NOT INCLUDED

International air and meals where not listed.

ACTIVITY LEVEL REQUIREMENTS - IMPORTANT

This post-package does require a high level of mobility as these tours require extensive walking (walking on uneven ground, up and down stairs) and requires standing for extended periods of time. If you do have limited mobility and feel that you are still able to do the activity level requirements, you are required to travel with someone who can assist you.

ABOUT YOUR TOURS



Erasmus Bridge



City Hall



Delfshaven

FULL DAY ROTTERDAM CITY & SPIDO HARBOR TOUR (INCLUSIVE OF LUNCH)

After enjoying breakfast on the *ms Rotterdam*, you will disembark the ship and embark on your next adventure with the women of Olivia!

Today, you'll experience the beauty of the modern city of Rotterdam. Most of the old city was destroyed during WWII and was rebuilt in a modern architectural style. You'll board your coach and begin the tour by traveling past the historical Hotel New York, along the modern KPN Tower designed by the famous Italian architect, Renzo Piano, and over the Erasmus bridge towards the city center.

Rotterdam boasts a brilliant mixture of architectural styles. You'll witness the Coolingsel, the main street in the city center with a pre-war Post Office and Town Hall, both built at the beginning of the 20th century in an eclectic style.

You'll also travel past creative and modern architectural sights like the main Railway Station, made of stainless steel, and the Paulus Church, entirely made from copper. The innovative and adventurous period after the war is expressed in structures like the Groothandelsgebouw, one of the first major buildings built after WWII.

In the museum park, you'll witness the pre-war architecture of the Huis Sonneveld next to modern architecture of NAI, the museum for Dutch architectural history, the Museum Boymans van Beuningen, and the "Kunsthal".

Your tour continues to Blaak Square, featuring creative and modern architecture like the horseshoe-shaped Markthal, a residential and office building with a market hall underneath. Here you will have free time to walk around and for those interested, you will have the opportunity to photograph the famous Cube Houses, by Piet Blom!

Next is a brief walking tour of Delfshaven, a borough of Rotterdam, dating back to the 14th century. It was from here that the

Pilgrim Fathers set out on their epic journey on board the Speedwell to America in the 1600's.

After boarding your coaches, you'll head towards Veerhaven, where you will have a great view of the Hotel New York for photos. As the centerpiece of the city's renovated docklands, this trendy hotel is housed in the Art Deco-style, is the former headquarters of the Holland America Line.

Next your coach will pass by the Euromast, the highest tower in the Netherlands that is open to the public, and onto the moored SS Rotterdam. The original Rotterdam was built as an ocean liner in 1955 in Rotterdam and is now a hotel.

After seeing Rotterdam by coach, you will be taken to Spido for a full harbor cruise. Upon arrival to Spido, you will board your private harbor cruise aboard the Marco Polo. While taking in the fantastic views of the impressive skyline, you will enjoy lunch. Your tour will take you past shipyards, docks, and the modern handling of thousands of containers as well as the unique and impressive architecture of Rotterdam.

Once you have taken in this unique city by coach and boat, you will board your coach one last time and head to the Rotterdam Marriott Hotel for check in. The rest of the day and evening will be yours to explore the city on your own.



FULL DAY DELFT, THE HAGUE & KINDERDIJK TOUR (INCLUSIVE OF LUNCH)

After breakfast, you will board your coach for the beautiful village of Delft.

The exquisite medieval center of Delft is a popular Dutch day-trip destination, with visitors flocking to stroll its narrow, canal-lined streets, gaze at the remarkable architecture, and learn about the life and career of Golden Age painter, Johannes Vermeer. The artist was born in Delft and specialized in domestic interior scenes of middle-class life. Vermeer was a moderately successful provincial genre painter in his lifetime. View of Delft, one of his most loved works, is an enigmatic, idealized vision of the town.

Founded around 1100, Delft grew rich from weaving and trade in the 13th and 14th centuries. Delft itself was not located on a major river, so in 1389 a harbor was created, about six miles south of the city, to be able to receive seafaring vessels and avoid tolls being levied by neighboring Rotterdam. This settlement was named Delfshaven, and eventually became a borough of Rotterdam. Today it has a thriving university which is renowned for its architecture.

Upon arrival, you will start your walking tour in this picturesque and charming village. You will pass by the beautiful Prinsenhof, built to serve as a monastery, but soon became the home of Wilhelm of Orange for more than a century.



You will continue to the main square where you will be amazed by the Nieuwe Kerk, the second highest church tower in the Netherlands. Opposite, you have a spectacular view of City Hall designed by Hendrik de Keyser after the original burned down in 1618.

Delft is synonymous with its famous Delftware, the distinctive blue-and-white pottery originally duplicated from Chinese porcelain by 17th century artisans. You'll visit the De Candelaer factory where they still produce their own potter and pain it by hand. After all, you can't visit Delft without a visit to a Delft blue pottery factory!

After taking in the wonders of Delft, you will board your coach and continue to The Hague, a city on the western coast of the Netherlands and the capital city of its province. It is the third-largest city of the Netherlands after Amsterdam and Rotterdam.

The Hague is the seat of the Dutch Government, Parliament, the Supreme Court, and the Council of State, but Amsterdam is the official capital. Most foreign embassies and 150 international organizations are located in this city.



During your tour here, you will visit the Binnenhof, where the Dutch government resides. The Binnenhof is a complex in the city center of The Hague, next to the Hofvijver Lake. It houses the meeting place of both houses of the State's General, as well as the Ministry of General Affairs and the office of the Prime Minister. Built primarily in the 13th century, the Gothic castle originally functioned as residence of the Counts of Holland and became the political center of the Dutch Republic in 1584. It is counted among the Top 100 Dutch heritage sites. The Binnenhof is the oldest House of Parliament in the world still in use.

While passing by Hofvijver Lake, you will see the beautiful fountain and swans, and pass by the Mauritshuis, famous for housing masterpieces from the Golden Age like the The Girl with the Pearl Earring from Vermeer. There will be a photo stop at the

Peace Palace, where the International Court of Justice is located.

Moving on from here, you will make your way to the Scheveningen, the beach of the Dutch. Here, you will find yourself enjoying a very Dutch lunch. No visit to the Netherlands is complete without having one of the famous Dutch treats, pannenkoeken.

From here you can enjoy the view of the sea from the terrace and, if nice weather allows, even a small walk to stretch your legs before continuing on to the last highlight of the day, Kinderdijk!



Kinderdijk Windmills



A UNESCO World Heritage Site



Dutch Wooden Clogs

Kinderdijk is a small village a little over nine miles east of Rotterdam with the largest concentration of old windmills in the world! The 18th century windmills of Kinderdijk are one of the major tourist sites in the country and are on the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites. You will be mesmerized by the beauty of this landscape.

After taking in this sweet village and the windmills of Kinderdijk, you will board your coach to the hotel where the evening is yours to enjoy Rotterdam on your own.

TRANSFER FROM ROTTERDAM MARRIOTT HOTEL TO AMSTERDAM AIRPORT SCHIPHOL (AMS)

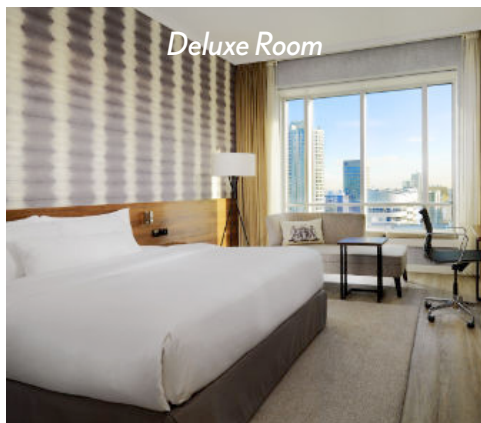
Today you will enjoy your last breakfast at the hotel before being transferred from the hotel to the Amsterdam Airport Schiphol.

These transfers are group transfers and will correspond with your flight departure time and will be assigned once we have collected your flight information.

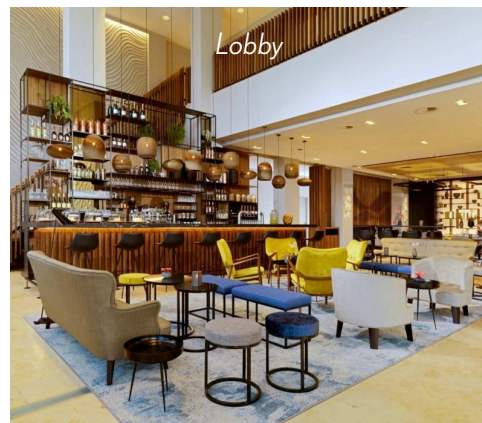
ABOUT YOUR HOTEL



The Rotterdam Marriott Hotel



Deluxe Room



Lobby

THE ROTTERDAM MARRIOTT HOTEL

Inviting and elegant and in the heart of Rotterdam, the Rotterdam Marriott Hotel is the top hotel in Rotterdam. Its central location, opposite Rotterdam Central Station, makes the Rotterdam Marriott Hotel your ideal starting point for experiencing this vibrant city. Hotel amenities include a restaurant and bar, complimentary Wi-Fi in the lobby, and fitness center.

In-room amenities for Superior rooms include LCD television with satellite channels, coffee maker, living/sitting area with couch, iron & ironing board, robe & slippers, hairdryer and complimentary WiFi. These rooms are located on the 7th floor and lower. Deluxe rooms have the same amenities and also have an illy® coffee maker and a complimentary bottle of water. These rooms are located on the 8th floor and above.

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