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an amazing golfing holiday experience...**

Holland

Golf in Tulip Season

1 - 9 May 2024

Amsterdam Hoorn Alkmaar Volendam Edam Afsluitdijk
and the spectacular
Keukenhof Tulip Festival



***This is a destination so many people have been waiting for...
...and now it's yours to enjoy!***

You won't believe it until you experience it yourself!!!

It took us 4 years of researching and planning our first Holland tour to ensure our clients got the very best golfing holiday experience.

And every year we have added to the itinerary.

And the most acclaimed addition has been the internationally renowned.....

KEUKENHOF TULIP FESTIVAL

The tour has been structured to give everyone the flexibility they would like....between golf, visiting Keukenhof and time spent exploring Amsterdam. Holland is the perfect destination for your 2024 golfing holiday.

Wednesday 1 May

We assemble at Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport and transfer by coach through the fields of annual tulips to our hotel in Hoorn, just north of Amsterdam.



Known as the "Venice of Holland", Hoorn lies on the western shore of the inland Markensee and is filled with canals, waterways, flower lined streets, the buzz of restaurants on Central Square, art & craft shops, coffee shops & bars and the historical waterfront, making this the perfect base from which to explore the beautiful scenery and the golf courses of Holland.



After settling in, a short orientation walk through picturesque Hoorn will invigorate the travel weary...and as the sun sets a drink and dinner in one of the many restaurants along the waterfront of Hoorn is a perfect way to start discovering the local brews, cheeses and cuisine!



Hoorn has an amazing nautical history



Relax, chill, enjoy.....Hoorn awaits

Thursday 2 May

After breakfast we take the local train to the Central Station in Amsterdam for a full-day visit to the world's most recognisable city. Return train tickets are included in your tour package.



The list of optional attractions is endless and includes:

- A canal cruise
- The Rembrandt Museum
- The van Gogh Museum
- Anne Frank House
- Dam Square, the centre of Amsterdam
- Damrak, the main thoroughfare of Amsterdam and numerous pedestrian malls
- The floating Flower Market
- The canals of Amsterdam



The ideal way to see the city



The legendary Heineken Experience



The charm of Amsterdam's architecture



A memorable and sobering visit



The Heineken Experience



View Van Gogh's masterpieces



The canals by night



Vibrant Amsterdam nightlife



Amsterdam's famous flower market



A really happy coffee shop



The world-renowned Rembrandt Museum



The very best of Rembrandt are in Amsterdam

Friday 3 May

Every Friday morning the central square of Alkmaar hosts the weekly cheese market, made famous by its porters carrying the loads of cheese in their unique "run". After enjoying the spectacle of the cheese auction, the golfers proceed to the ever-popular SLUISPOLDER GC which winds through the natural vegetation of a river and wetlands. The non-golfers have a couple of hours to enjoy and explore the old and new of Alkmaar, before re-joining the golfers at the club and returning to our hotel.



Alkmaar's famous cheese market and its industrious cheese-porters



Golf in Holland is one of the hidden gems of world golf



The 18th at Sluispolder GC



Pedestrian mall in Alkmaar



Alkmaar's restaurants beside the canals

And naturally, all our coach transfers will be on the lookout for the endless fields of tulips...



Saturday 4 May

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This morning we head to PURMERAND BURG GC, which is a typical Dutch golf course... a mixture of water, lush vegetation and scenic beauty and PURMERAND BURG GC is a fine example of this very unique blend.



Spectacular Purmerend



Parkland with plenty of water



While the golfers are enjoying the experience of PURMERAND BURG GC, the non-golfers visit the must-see picturesque village of Edam before visiting the Henri Willig's ALIDA HOEWE cheese factory to see how the Dutch have mastered the making of cheese and get the chance to taste the wide variety of cheeses.



Always a friendly welcome at Henri Willig's Alida Hoewe



Edam's quaint main street



The famous cheese market of Edam



Volendam is built on a Markensee dyke



The main street of Volendam on the dyke

Next stop for the non-golfers is the colourful town of **Volendam**, which was built behind a dyke and like almost half of the country lies below sea level. The top of the dyke is today lined with varied shops, restaurants and a number of tourist attractions. With so many restaurants seafood and cheese take on a whole new meaning in Volendam.

After golf the golfers join the non-golfers and spend time in Volendam for some shopping or an early dinner before the short drive through the tulip fields back to our hotel.....



Sunday 5 May

Today we have a highlight-filled day as we travel through Northern Holland to see and experience the sights and culture of this beautiful and fascinating countryside, with many stops for photograph opportunities. The day starts with a drive along the Western shore of IJsselmeer, with many dykes and polders along the way demonstrating the incredible land reclamation.

Highlights of the day include:

- The 32km long Afsluitdijk, which was man-built more than 90 years ago to close off the ocean and create Holland's largest inland waterway, IJsselmeer
- Local scenery and small villages, including Medemblik which boasts an excellent example of a traditional Dutch coffee shop even serving "appelbak"
- The chance to explore Enkhuizen, a beautiful and vibrant small town on the banks of the Zuidersee, including an optional visit to the renowned Dutch Outdoor Museum
- For those who enjoy the romance of travelling on old steam trains, there is the opportunity to travel back to Hoorn on the historical steam train from Enkhuizen.



The 32Km man-made dyke with 4 lanes



The Western On-ramp to the Afsluitdijk



Historical entrance to Enkhuizen



Picturesque Enkhuizen



One of the most scenic railway journeys in the world

Monday 6 May

Nothing you have ever been told or have ever read quite prepares you for a visit to the Keukenhof Tulip Festival, certainly the world's most famous flower extravaganza. And rightly so.

From the stylised entrance to the hothouses to see how tulips are grown, to the endless fields of splashes of colour, to the tulip lined streams and lakes, to the "contemplate zone" where visitors sit in silence and take it all in, this is certainly a bucket-list day and a top-10 life experience. And that's before you take out your camera!





Today has been kept free to allow time for optional sightseeing...

- * return to KEUKENHOF to soak up more of the world's most famous flower exhibition
- * spend the day visiting more of Amsterdam's attractions or shopping for top brands at bargain prices in the shopping malls and designer streets
- * enjoy another round of golf on one of Holland's top-class courses
- * take a cruise on one of the historical boats on Ijsselmeer and learn more about the amazing country reclaimed from the ocean
- * rent a bicycle or e-cycle and explore along the dykes of Holland or visit the picturesque villages in the region
- * Visit the acclaimed living museum Zaanse Schans and learn more about the history and culture of Dutch life.... Including the opportunity to explore the inside and workings of windmills



So much to see in Amsterdam



Wednesday 8 May

This morning the golfers tackle WESTWOUD GC a beautiful parkland course with all the Dutch scenery on-hand, including the cows grazing beside some fairways. Westwoud is renowned for being the friendliest club in the region, with coffee and hot chocolate awaiting golfers on arrival.



The beautiful Dutch countryside around WESTWOUD GC



More Dutch water!



And bunkers too!

The non-golfers will be glad to have an open day to give them a chance to enjoy all the attractions of Hoorn...including the endless craft shops, traditional shops, coffee shops and delicacies, or just chill and relax and enjoy the laid-back ambience of Hoorn. Or even head back into Amsterdam to catch up on all they missed earlier in the week.



Zaanse Schans....A living Dutch museum...from its famous windmills to cheese making



One last sunset.... Holland-style

Thursday 9 May

Sadly, today we check out and transfer to Schiphol for our flights back home.

The tour package includes:

- 8 night's accommodation on a bed and breakfast basis
- Daily tourist tax
- 3 rounds of A-category golf (additional nearby golf easily arranged)
- Airconditioned coach transfers as specified
- Entrance to Keukenhof on Monday 6 May
- English speaking Tour Leader
- Sightseeing programme, on-site assistance and support for activities for non-golfers
- Comprehensive pre-tour literature about the tour, the destinations and the attractions

Not included:

- International airfares (but assistance for bookings is available)
- visa costs
- golf car or pull trolley rental
- medical and cancellation insurance
- activities not specified
- gratuities

Package prices "per person" for the tour are:

CATEGORY	PACKAGE PRICE PP
Golfer sharing a room	€ 1 495,00
Non-golfer sharing a room	€ 1 205,00
Golfer alone in a room	€ 1 825,00
Non-golfer alone in a room	€ 1 585,00

Got some questions? Need more information?

Please get in touch with Rob Chaplin, *your tour manager*:

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How to book for this once-in-a-lifetime tour:

In order to book, you will need to [CLICK HERE TO BOOK ONLINE](#). It is safe, secure and incredibly quick.

You'll need the following info for each traveller:

- Personal information, including travel document (passport)
- Medical & emergency contact information
- Credit/debit card for payment of the deposit

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For more information to ensure that you do not miss out on this fantastic golfing holiday, please contact

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Please Note:

1. A deposit of €350 per person is required to secure your place on the tour
2. All prices are strictly subject to exchange rate fluctuations.
3. Passengers over the age of 70 years on the date of departure will be required to supply a doctor's letter confirming the passenger is fit to travel
4. The Travel Company will book golf cars when requested to do so by clients but cannot accept responsibility for availability on the day.
5. All pages of the booking form must be completed in full by each passenger and must be accompanied by a scan of the passenger's passport.

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