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CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

**CRUISE** aboard the new *Magnifique III*, an intimate Dutch-style boutique riverboat with 20 comfortable cabins

**EXPLORE** nine centuries of architecture, from the 12th-century Gravensteen Castle in Ghent to Zaha Hadid’s futuristic Harbor House in Antwerp

**DISCOVER** Dordrecht, the oldest city in Holland, where *Magnifique III* docks overnight

**EXPERIENCE** the Low Countries as the locals do, on optional cycling tours along gentle, even terrain

**GO** behind the scenes in the charming town of Bruges, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

**ADMIRE** works by Rubens, Michelangelo, Anthony van Dyck, Hans Memling, the van Eyck brothers, and other masters
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FRIDAY, MAY 10: DEPARTURE
Depart on an overnight flight to Amsterdam.

SATURDAY, MAY 11: AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND
Arrive in Amsterdam for lunch followed by a visit to the Rijksmuseum, the State Treasury of Dutch paintings. Embark Magnifique III and enjoy a welcome dinner on board as we cruise to Vianen along the winding Vecht River.

SUNDAY, MAY 12: VIANEN / DORDRECHT, HOLLAND
Morning drive to explore picturesque Kinderdijk, a village famous for its impressive row of 19 large windmills, all UNESCO listed and a delight to see up close. Continue to Dordrecht, one of the Netherlands’ oldest cities for an afternoon walking tour. Bikers can ride and explore Dordrecht, where the ship is docked overnight.

MONDAY, MAY 13: DORDRECHT / ANTWERP, BELGIUM
Take a morning transfer to Antwerp to view the restored Harbor House, designed by Zaha Hadid, and the newly restored Central Station—one of the most beautiful rail stations in Europe. Following lunch, see the cathedral where Rubens’ famous Descent from the Cross is on display. We will also visit DIVA, an immersive new museum that focuses on the history of diamonds and jewelry.

TUESDAY, MAY 14: ANTWERP / DENDERMONDE, BELGIUM
Sail or cycle to Dendermonde, a city known for its magnificent Flemish buildings. Visit the Church of our Lady, home to two Van Dyck paintings and a 12-century baptismal font of Tounai stone, and visit a charming medieval beguinage. Tonight enjoy a private onboard concert.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 15: DENDERMONDE / GHENT, BELGIUM
Morning sail or cycle to Ghent. After lunch on board, visit the City Hall, followed by a tour through Ghent’s medieval center, including the magnificent Cathedral of St. Bavo. B,L,D

THURSDAY, MAY 16: GHENT / BRUGES, BELGIUM
Visit the Museum of Fine Arts in Ghent for a special behind-the-scenes tour and talk by restoration specialists, then view the medieval Gravensteen Castle. Rejoin the ship in Bruges, where she remains docked overnight. Bikers may opt to cycle from Lovendegem to Bruges. Join an evening stroll to see the illuminated medieval architecture of Bruges. B,L,D

FRIDAY, MAY 17: BRUGES
Today explore Bruges, a medieval gem laced with canals and gardens, with a privileged look at some of its hidden treasures. Admire the belfry overlooking the city’s Market Square, with an option to climb the tower for those who wish, Visit the cathedral with its celebrated Madonna & Child by Michelangelo, and view the collections at the Hans Memling Museum, housed in the Hospice of St. John. An optional afternoon visit to the Groeninge Museum is offered, or enjoy free time in this enchanting town. Gather this evening for a festive farewell dinner. B,L,D

SATURDAY, MAY 18: BRUGES / RETURN
Disembark after breakfast and transfer to the Brussels Airport for flights home. B

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### CRUISE RATES

(Per Person)

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### RATES INCLUDE

- Seven nights cabin accommodations aboard *Magnifique III*
- All meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner); bottled water and coffee/tea with all meals; wine and beer with lunches and dinners
- Use of bikes provided by *Magnifique III*
- Airport/pier/airport group transfers for all participants on suggested flights
- Enrichment program of lectures and special events
- Escorted sightseeing, transportation, and entrance fees for all included visits
- Taxes and service charges; gratuities to guides and drivers
- Customary shipboard gratuities

### NOT INCLUDED IN RATES

International airfare; passport fees; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; airport transfers other than for those on suggested flights; trip insurance; optional Amsterdam prelude; luggage in excess of one suitcase; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.
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Name(s) in full as on passport(s). Please print.

Address

City State Zip

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Fax E-mail

ACCOMMODATIONS

Magnifique III cabin preference (1) (2)

I wish to share a cabin with

OPTIONAL PRELUDE

☐ I/We wish to join the optional prelude in Amsterdam

Hotel room preference ☐ One bed ☐ Two beds ☐ Single

FORM OF PAYMENT

☐ Enclosed is my check (payable to Arrangements Abroad) ☐ Debit card ☐ Credit card

Debit/credit card number

3- or 4-digit security code Expiration date

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Customary shipboard gratuities

Enrichment program of lectures and special events

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7- or 8-night cruise to Amsterdam along the Rhine River

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7- or 8-night cruise to Belgium along the Meuse River

7- or 8-night cruise to Paris along the Seine River

7- or 8-night cruise to the Moselle River in France and Germany

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SATURDAY, MAY 18: ZAANTSE SCHANS / DORDRECHT, HOLLAND

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MONDAY, MAY 20: NORTH SEA

Spend the day sightseeing in and around Amsterdam. Join an optional shore excursion to the magnificent city of Haarlem or the town of Volendam. In the evening, join a onboard concert. (B,L,D)

TUESDAY, MAY 21: FREE TIME IN AMSTERDAM

Enjoy the day on your own in Amsterdam, capital of the Netherlands and one of Europe’s most vibrant cities. In the evening, an optional trip to Delft and The Hague offers a chance to see the elegant architecture and learn about the history of these two charming towns. (B,L,D)

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