Island Hopping in Holland

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, APPROX. 240 KM BOOKING CODE: NL-NHSW

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ••••• TOPOGRAPHY •••••







Your tour

You will be sailing across Lake Yssel to the Dutch North Sea islands on a magnificent sailing boat. You will drop anchor in old traditional trading towns that used to welcome boats and people from all over the world. And you will go ashore to explore the area by bike. But the water is never far. And there's always enough time for a quick dip, should you feel the urge! Look forward to orchids that grow in the wild on Texel island, the fascination of the tides in the shallows, century-old lighthouses and windmills both large and small! In the evening you return to your majestic three-masted schooner. Island-hopping in Holland is the romance of the sea-farer and bike tours through fantastic scenery.

They travel on the Leafde, Mare and Wapen fan Fryslân boats.

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Enkhuizen
Day 2	Enkhuizen – Medemblik, approx. 25 / 40 km, Medemblik – Den Oever – Texel Island (boat)
Day 3	Round trip on Texel Island, up to 50 km
Day 4	Texel – Terschelling, sailing day
Day 5	Round trip on Terschelling Island, up to 40 km, Terschelling Island – Harlingen (boat)
Day 6	Harlingen – Franeker – Makkum, approx. 50 / 60 km
Day 7	Makkum – Stavoren, approx. 30 / 50 km, Stavoren – Enkhuizen (boat)
Day 8	Individual departure from Enkhuizen

Travel time

Season A	28.09.	29.09.	
Season B	20.04 27.04.	14.09 22.09.	
Season C	04.05 08.09.		

Arrival Saturday and Sunday 20.04. – 29.09.2024 The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- → 7 nights on board in double cabins with shower / WC
- → All port, bridge and lock fees
- → Welcome drink
- → Bed linen and towels (no bath towels)
- → Coffee and tea in the afternoon
- → Travel documents (1 x per cabin), Maps on board
- → Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. 08.00 p.m.)
- → Daily cabin cleaning
- → Daily cycling tour briefing, on-board tour guide
- → Full board (7 x breakfast, 5 x packed lunch, 1 x lunch, 1 x packed dinner, 6 x dinner)

Not included services

- → Admission fees and excursions
- → Ferry fees
- → Drinks on board and tips for tour guide and crew

Basic price per person	Mare & Wapen	Leafde
Double cabin, season A	1129,-	1179,-
Double cabin, season B	1229,-	1299,-
Double cabin, season C	1329,-	1399,-
Surcharge Upper Deck Suite	-	500,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec	199,-
Unisex bike (7-speed, freewheel)	59,-

No child discount is offered on this trip.

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, Dutch

Additional note

- → All bookings are on request.
- → Changes: Changes are possible on boat trips due to weather, water level or technical conditions and remain reserved.
- → Arrival dates Leafde fan Fryslân: 05.05. / 12.05. / 19.05. / 26.05. / 02.06. / 09.06. / 16.06. / 23.06. / 30.06. / 07.07. / 14.07. / 21.07. / 28.07. / 04.08. / 11.08. / 18.08. / 25.08. / 01.09. / 08.09. / 15.09. / 22.09. / 29.09.
- → Arrival dates Mare fan Fryslân: 20.04. / 27.04. / 04.05. / 11.05. / 18.05. / 25.05. / 01.06. / 08.06. / 15.06. / 22.06. / 29.06. / 06.07. / 13.07. / 20.07. / 27.07. / 03.08. / 10.08. / 17.08. / 24.08. / 31.08. / 07.09. / 14.09. / 21.09. / 28.09.
- → Arrival dates Wapen fan Fryslân: 27.04. / 04.05. / 11.05. / 18.05. / 25.05. / 01.06. / 08.06. / 15.06. / 22.06. / 29.06. / 06.07. / 13.07. / 20.07. / 27.07. / 03.08. / 10.08. / 17.08. / 24.08. / 31.08. / 07.09. / 14.09. / 21.09. / 28.09.
- → The minimum number of 18 participants must be reached 21 days prior to the arrival date.
- → For this tour only the arrival and departure harbours are definite destinations. The itinerary is very much dependent on weather and tides and is decided upon on a daily basis. The shown itinerary is only a suggestion and is subject to change.
- → You can book the trip on the Leafde fan Fryslân (NL-NHSWL-08I), Mare fan Fryslân (NL-NHSWM-08I) or Wapen fan Fryslân (NL-NHSWW-08I).
- → Supplement double cabin for single use: 50 % of the basic cruise price

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival in Enkhuizen

The starting point is Enkhuizen, a time-honoured harbour town. Back when Dutch ships controlled most of the trade in Southeast Asia, one of the headquarters of the company was located here. Today the harbour is a popular tourist destination due to its excellent location at the ljsselmeer. The historic centre attests to the town's golden age in the 16th century.

Day 2: Enkhuizen – Medemblik, approx. 25 / 40 km, Medemblik – Den Oever – Texel Island (by boat)

Today you will cycle along the old Zuiderzee dike to Medemblik, the oldest West Frisian town. Here you can explore historic houses, street cafés or Castle Radboud, before cycling to Den Oever. The village has a small, cosy fishing harbour. Depending on the weather you will already sail across the Wadden See to the island of Texel toady. Travelling through the locks into the North Sea is a great experience!

Equipment of our rental bikes

→ Waterproof pannier

Journey to Enkhuizen

- → Nearest airports: Amsterdam
- → Train station: Enkhuizen

Parking in Enkhuizen

→ Free parking available at the Enkhuizen railway station, directly at the harbour and near the berth. No reservation possible through Radweg-Reisen.

Travel documents

- → 1 set (per booked cabin) consists of: Voucher, travel information with description of the daily stages
- → Dispatch up to four weeks before arrival. For bookings at short notice, handover on site, voucher and arrival information in advance by e-mail.

Day 3: Round trip on Texel Island, up to 50 km

Texel – that's pure relaxation in striking natural surroundings. The fascinating dune landscape of the national park evolved during several centuries. One example is the biodiversity of the bird life and millions of wild orchids. Dream-like beaches encourage visitors to go for a swim in the refreshing seawater, picturesque villages with cosy cafés and restaurants invite you to linger.

Day 4: Texel - Terschelling, sailing day

Todays leg is pure island hopping: you sail from Texel to Terschelling. After this day of sailing, the nautical terms will flow easily over your lips: Whether starboard or port, unrigging or gybing – on the way across the West Frisian Wadden Sea you can lend a hand if you want. Or you can relax on deck before dropping anchor on Terschelling. Besides the pretty, lovely communities, you will also find a rich variety of flora and fauna on this island. The fertile soil also allows rare specimens of wild orchid species to thrive magnificently.

Day 5: Round trip on Terschelling Island, up to 40 km, Terschelling Island – Harlingen (by boat)

Along the 70 km long cycle route, the long island of Terschelling offers amazing views of the Wattenmeer, dunes and beaches which stretch almost along the entire northern coast of the island. Terschelling-West is the largest town on the island with many countless shops and pubs. The 400 year old lighthouse Brandaris, the symbol of the island can be seen in the distance. In the late afternoon you are sailing to Harlingen.

Day 6: Harlingen – Franeker – Makkum, approx. 50 / 60 km

The province of Friesland is proud of itself. Not just the language and its history but also the countryside makes it different to the rest of the country. The locals agree: In Friesland you can expect to see The Netherlands most beautiful province. On your bike you pedal from Harlingen, a lively harbour town through the expansive countryside to Makkum. In this popular holiday resort, with a generous beach promenade look forward to your majestic sailing boat. If you fancy a longer tour, you can cycle to Bolsward. The Frisian town grew out of a shipyard.

Day 7: Makkum – Stavoren, approx. 30 / 50 km, Stavoren – Enkhuizen (by boat)

After spending the night in Makkum harbour, you hop on to your bike for the last time: the tour to Stavoren first takes you to the small town of Hindeloopen. With not even as many as 1000 inhabitants, it still counts as one of the eleven Frisian towns. Next you get to choose: you can either take the direct route along the coast to Stavoren or try a detour to the Frisian lakes. In Stavoren, the sails are hoisted again your destination is Enkhuizen.

Day 8: Individual departure from Enkhuizen

After breakfast your tour unfortunately comes to an end. Disembarkation until 9:30 a.m. and individual journey home.

Boat descriptions



Leafde fan Fryslân

Since 2018, the ship has been used for cycling and sailing trips. The maximum of 25 guests will find every comfort on the imposing three-masted barquentine: a restaurant furnished in nautical style, a quaint ship's bar and, of course, the cosily furnished cabins. In the wheelhouse there is a beautiful seating area from which you can enjoy the best view of the sea. On deck, you will find plenty of seating and a whirlpool to relax in after your days of cycling.

Facts about the ship:

- → 13 outside cabins on the lower deck
- → 12 twin cabins, approx. 11 m² with single beds at ground level and 1 single cabin, approx. 7 m².
- → Equipment: shower / WC, mini safe
- → In the twin cabins there are portholes or deck hatches that can be opened, in the single cabin there is a window that cannot be opened.
- → In two cabins a third bed is possible as a bunk bed
- → Year of construction: 1937
- → Renovation: 2017
- → Sail area: approx. 500 m²
- → 1 passenger deck
- → Maximum occupancy: 27 passengers
- → Crew: 4
- → Length 48 m
- → Width: 7 m
- ightarrow Facilities: Restaurant on the lower deck, saloon and bar on the upper deck, sun deck, jacuzzi
- → Languages on board: German, English, Dutch

Boat descriptions



Mare fan Fryslân

The impressive three-masted schooner has been converted into an extravagant excursion sailing ship. Driven by the wind, always in the sign of the tide, you sail across the IJsselmeer and the North Sea. If you feel like it, your skipper will teach you how to hoist the sails. If you prefer to relax rather than roll up your sleeves, lie in the whirlpool, enjoy the sea breeze at the bar on the spacious deck or sit down with a book in the wood-panelled saloon.

Facts about the ship:

- → 14 outside cabins on the lower deck
- → 12 twin cabins, approx. 10 m² with single beds at ground level, 1 premium twin cabin, approx. 12 m² with single beds at ground level and a small sitting area as well as 1 single cabin, approx. 7 m²
- → Equipment: shower / WC, ventilation
- → The cabins have portholes that can be opened
- → In some cabins a third bed is possible as a bunk bed
- → Year of construction: 1960
- → Renovation: 2006
- → Sail area: approx. 650 m²
- → 1 passenger deck
- → Maximum occupancy: 40 passengers
- → crew: 4
- → Length 62 m
- → Width: 7,2 m
- → Amenities: restaurant on lower deck, bar on upper deck, outdoor bar, grill, jacuzzi, WLAN (free of charge)
- → Languages on board: German, English, Dutch

Boat descriptions



Wapen fan Fryslân

The imposing former cargo ship Wapen fan Fryslân is a two-masted schooner straight out of a picture book: with a length of 55 m and a sail area of 550 sqm, it is the largest in the Netherlands. Erik van Aken is the experienced skipper who will take you on this exciting trip. If you feel like it, he will be happy to lend a hand! You can relax in the whirlpool on deck.

Facts about the ship:

- → 12 outside cabins on the lower deck
- \rightarrow 12 twin cabins, approx. 8.5 m² with single beds at ground level
- → Equipment: shower / WC, mini safe
- \rightarrow In the cabins there are portholes that can be opened
- → In the cabins a third bed is possible as a bunk bed
- → Year of construction: 1958
- → Conversion to passenger ship: 2004
- → Sail area: approx. 550 m²
- → 1 passenger deck
- → Maximum occupancy: 36 passengers
- → crew: 4
- → Length: 55 m
- → Width: 7,2 m
- → Amenities: restaurant on the lower deck, bar on the upper deck, outdoor bar, jacuzzi, W-LAN (free of charge)
- → Languages on board: German, English, Dutch