# Cycling tour in Holland: Arnhem – Rotterdam

# 6 DAYS / 5 NIGHTS, APPROX. 205 / 245 KM BOOKING CODE: NL-RHAR5

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



#### Your tour

The Rhine has made a long journey until it flows into the North Sea. You accompany the Rhine on the bike tour in Holland these last kilometres from Arnhem to Rotterdam and can also follow it all the way to the coast. Nature will enchant you, because you will not only cycle along polders, dikes and canals of the Rhine Delta. De Biesbosch National Park is also a paradise on earth, not only for the wildlife gathered there. A stroll through Dordrecht, the oldest city in Holland, is a delight. Other historic towns like Oosterbeek, Wijk bij Duustede, Buren, Gorinchem are in no way inferior. Rotterdam is the dot on the i and a real contrast with its skyscrapers and swirling harbour.

#### Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Arnhem
Day 2	Arneim – Wijk bij Duurstede, approx. 65 km
Day 3	Wijk bij Duurstede – Gorinchem, approx. 50 / 60 km
Day 4	Gorinchem – Papendrecht, approx. 55 km + ferry rides
Day 5	Papendrecht – Rotterdam, approx. 35 km + ferry ride or 65 km + train ride
Day 6	Individual departure

#### Travel time

Season A	06.04 21.09.

Arrival Saturday 06.04. - 21.09.2024

### Services

→ 5 nights with breakfast, national 3\* / 4\*-level

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- → Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Rotterdam, max. 1 piece per person, max. 20 kg / piece
- → City tax
- $\rightarrow$  Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- → Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. 08.00 p.m.)

#### Not included services

- → Train ride on day 5
  → Ferry trips on day 4 and 5
- Felly trips off day 4 and 5

#### Basic price per person

Double room	579,-
Price Surcharge Singleroom	319,-

#### Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec	139,-
Rental bike (24-gear)	69,-



# **Exemplary hotel list Standard**

Arnheim NL	Best Western Plus Haarhuis Arnheim	www.hotelhaarhuis.nl
Wijk bij Duurstede	Hotel O.T.T.O. Wijk bij Duurstede	https://www.bijotto.nl/
	Hotel Brasserie Florian Wijk bij Duurstede	https://hotelbrasserieflorian.nl/
Gorinchem	Hotel Gorinchem	https://hotelgorinchem.nl/
Papendrecht	Apollo Papendrecht	https://www.leonardo-hotels.com/papendrecht
Rotterdam	Inntel Rotterdam	https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/ rtmdtdi-maashotel-rotterdam-centre/
	SS Rotterdam	https://ssrotterdam.nl/

#### Child reduction on basic price

Since family rooms are not available on this trip, the children's discount cannot be offered.

#### Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, Dutch

#### Additional note

- $\rightarrow$  All bookings are on request.
- → Return journey to Arnhem: on your own by train, connections several times an hour, 1 change, duration: approx. 1.5 hours.
- → Twin / double rooms / separate beds are only occasionally available. We treat requests as non-binding customer requests, if above mentioned room types are a booking condition, it must be mentioned as a condition at the time of booking.
- → Extra nights: availabilities and prices on request

#### Equipment of our rental bikes

→ Waterproof pannier

#### Journey to Arnheim NL

- → Nearest airports: Rotterdam, Amsterdam
- → Train station: Arnhem

# Parking in Arnheim NL

→ Chargeable hotel parking spaces. No reservation possible through Radweg-Reisen.

#### **Stages description**

#### Day 1: Individual arrival in Arnhem

The cycle tour in Holland begins in Arnhem. As the capital of the province of Gelderland, Arnhem has a rich and eventful history. On one side, the city borders the Veluwe, the largest wooded area in the Netherlands, and on the other, there are extensive floodplains. If you arrive early, you should plan a visit to Burgers' Zoo. It shows the animals in their natural habitat instead of in cages.

#### Day 2: Arneim – Wijk bij Duurstede, approx. 65 km

Get on your bike saddle and enjoy the fun. You cycle through the wooded Veluwe region on a varied tour. Mixed pine forests with dunes, small lakes and heathland are typical of the area. You follow the Lower Rhine to the 17th century Amerongen moated castle, which boasts a beautiful garden and a unique collection of original 19th century pieces. Your destination is the pretty village of Wijk bij Duurstede, which was built on the site of the important trading town of Dorestad.

#### **Bike handover**

- → Pick-up at Radweg-Reisen in Konstanz between 9 am and 7 pm, 7 days per week. On request delivery to the hotel, then no individual adjustment by our staff on site. Departure: Return at Radweg-Reisen or guests leave them at the hotel.
- → Departure: The guests leave the bikes at the last hotel. If an e-bike has been rented, the battery, charger and key must be returned to the reception.
- → Arrival: Guests' rental bikes will be available at the arrival hotel. Departure: The guests leave the bikes at the last hotel. If an e-bike has been rented, the battery, charger and key must be returned to the reception.

#### Luggage transport

→ Luggage pick-up from 09.00 a.m., delivery to the next hotel by 06.00 p.m. at the latest, labeling of luggage is 1 x for the whole tour. No restriction on the number of pieces of luggage, but max. 20 kg per piece of luggage.

#### **Travel documents**

→ Travel document dispatch to the arrival hotel, hotel list and arrival information in advance by e-mail

#### Day 3: Wijk bij Duurstede - Gorinchem, approx. 50 / 60 km

Today you cross the Lower Rhine on your cycle tour in Holland and head towards the famous Dutch fruit region of Betuwe. Via the historic town of Buren and the River Linge, you will soon reach the town of Leerdam, which is located on the magnificent river surrounded by dykes. It is not only the namesake of the Leerdam cheese, but is also known for its glass industry. The shorter option takes you along the River Linge to your stage destination of Gorinchem. The longer option takes you via Vuren past Loevestein Castle and Woudrichem to the fortified town of Gorinchem.

#### Day 4: Gorinchem – Papendrecht, approx. 55 km + ferry rides

Take a closer look at the old fortified town of Gorinchem in the morning. A ferry will take you to Werkenam. You then cycle through De Biesbosch National Park, one of the few freshwater tidal areas in the world. This is where the Meuse and Waal rivers meet. A ferry takes you across to Kop van't Land and you soon reach Dordrecht, Holland's oldest city. The atmosphere in the harbour town is unique. One more trip on the water and you have reached Papendrecht.

# Day 5: Papendrecht – Rotterdam, approx. 35 km + ferry ride or 65 km + train ride

The cycle tour in Holland now offers a special photo motif! The first highlight of the day is the 19 windmills of Kinderkijk. Dating back to the 18th century, the mills are still well preserved and have been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You can now decide whether to cycle directly to Rotterdam via Slikkerveer on the ferry (not included) or stay in the saddle a little longer to see where the Rhine flows into the North Sea in Hoek van Holland. The stage is then extended by around 30 km. Take a walk along the huge sandy beach and take the train (not included) back to Rotterdam.

## Day 6: Individual departure

After breakfast you start your individual return journey home or extend your stay.