

# Tulip Time

## in the Netherlands

### with Olbrich Botanical Gardens



**April 9-15, 2019**



**Tour Overview:** Join Jeff Epping of Olbrich Botanical Gardens in pursuit of springtime splendor! Enjoy the beautiful gardens of The Netherlands, alive with colorful new blooms. See the famous Keukenhof Gardens, along with some delightful, but less-famous gardens in the area, and visit the Floralia Exhibition at the castle of Groot-Bijgaarden.

**Day 1/Tue., April 9: Depart the U.S. and travel to Amsterdam.** Travel to O'Hare International Airport and board your overnight flight to Europe.



**Day 2/Wed., April 10: Arrive in Amsterdam. Visit De Hortus Botanicus and Aalsmeer Historical Gardens. Travel to Eindhoven.** Welcome to Amsterdam! Holland's sophisticated, modern capital has a rich and fascinating history. Before we move on to Eindhoven, where our hotel is located, we'll visit a couple of Amsterdam gardens. The first is Hortus Botanicus, a large botanical garden with more than 6,000 different plants. Some of the plants are unique—for example, the 2000-year old agave cactus and a 300-year old Eastern Kape giant cycad. The new hot-house creates conditions for three different tropical climates. In the semi-circle systematic garden, where plants are grown specifically to showcase the systematic relationship between them. There are two suggested visiting routes through the Hortus—The Evolution Route and The Tree Route, with 24 monumental trees to see. Hortus Botanicus has a beautiful café for visitors located in the recently-renovated Orangery, with a large outside terrace open to the garden. Later, we'll visit Aalsmeer Historical Gardens where we'll be able to learn more about the history of flower cultivation and the trade of plants in the Netherlands. This garden offers you a chance to wander through real plant and flower displays that represent the horticultural history of Aalsmeer, spanning over 400 years. It is possible to see fruit trees and a kitchen



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### TOUR INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip group airfare from Chicago
- Round-trip airport to hotel transfers, Amsterdam to Eindhoven
- Five nights 4-star hotel
- Daily breakfast, welcome and farewell dinners at hotel
- Admissions and sightseeing per itinerary
- Coach transportation w/professional driver for excursions
- Host Jeff Epping, Director of Horticulture for Olbrich Botanical Gardens, Madison

### DOUBLE PRICE PER PERSON

**\$2,525**

**SINGLE ROOM**

**SUPPLEMENT: \$245**

**CASH DISCOUNT: \$115**

**BOOK BY 11/30/18: \$45 OFF**

garden, as well as ornamental shrubs, outdoor flower displays, rose gardens and bedding plants. Finally, we'll check into our hotel in the heart of Eindhoven and enjoy a welcome dinner before retiring. (D)

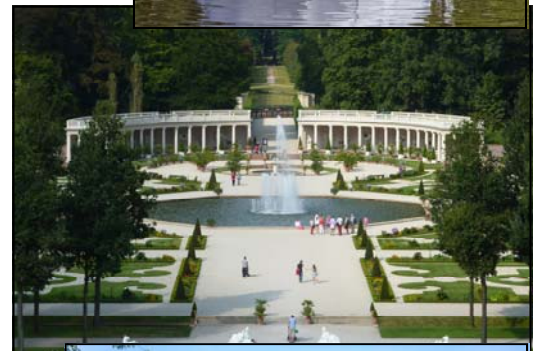
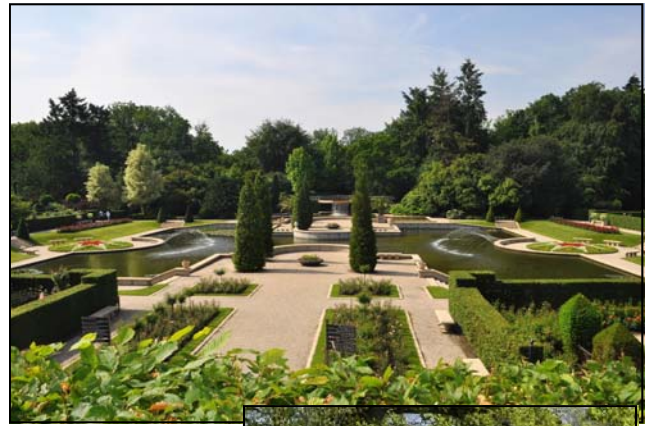
**Day 3/Thu., April 11: Visit Kasteeltuinen Arcen.** After breakfast this morning, we'll travel to Kasteeltuinen Arcen, located in the picturesque village of Arcen, located in the beautiful Maasduinen of North Limburg. Kasteeltuinen Arcen is one of the most versatile flower and plant parks in Europe. The park is 32 hectares and has more than 15 unique gardens, along with an historic country estate and 17th-century castle. (B)

**Day 4/Fri., April 12: Visit Keukenhof Gardens.** Today, we will embark on a full-day excursion to Keukenhof Gardens. Also known as "the garden of Europe," Keukenhof is the largest flower garden in the world. Approximately seven million bulbs, with about 800 varieties of tulips, are planted each year in a park that covers 32 hectares. During "tulip time," you'll find surprising inspirational gardens, unique works of art and a host of interesting events. The gardens, originally the kitchen garden for the Dutch Royal household, are situated within the grounds of the 15th-century Keukenhof Castle and contain more than 15 kilometers of footpaths. (B)

**Day 5/Sat., April 13: Visit Het Loo Palace Gardens and Utrecht Botanical Gardens.** Today's outing begins at Paleis Het Loo, a palace and former royal residence in the heart of the Netherlands, close to the town of Apeldoorn. Home to the ruling House of Orange for over three centuries, the palace and museum are closed in the midst of a four-year renovation. However, the extensive gardens covering over seven hectares are open for exploration. Here we will see a wealth of fountains, statues and citrus trees. This Dutch Baroque garden, sometimes referred to as the "Versailles of Holland," actually displays more differences than similarities. It is still faithful to the Baroque design with perfect symmetry and axial layout with radiating gravel walks, parterres with fountains, basins and statues. Later, we will visit Utrecht Botanical Gardens at Fort Hoofddijk, an unparalleled collection of plants from around the world. Dating back to 1639, the property is one of the oldest botanic gardens in the Netherlands. As part of Utrecht University, the gardens were originally designed as a teaching garden for students of medicine, and their primary function today is still to support education and research. (B)

**Day 6/Sun., April 14: Visit Floralia in Brussels.** Today, we will enjoy a full day at Floralia Brussels, a spring flower exhibition in the park and the greenhouses of the castle of Grand Bigard. The park of 14 hectares incorporates nearly all spring bulb varieties—the gardeners of the castle plant more than a million bulbs by hand. Special attention is given to the nearly 400 varieties of tulips, but hyacinths and daffodils are also well represented. Flower beds and arrangements are changed each week. Enjoy a farewell dinner with your fellow travelers back at the hotel this evening. (B,D)

**Day 7/Mon., April 15: Travel back to Amsterdam - Return to U.S.** Your vacation comes to an end today. After breakfast, return to Schiphol Airport in Amsterdam for your flight back to Chicago. (B)



**YOUR HOTEL\* - PULLMAN  
EINDHOVEN COCAGNE**

- ◆ 4-Star hotel located in the heart of Eindhoven
- ◆ Restaurant + bar/lounge
- ◆ Indoor pool + fitness center
- ◆ 24-hour front desk + room service
- ◆ Free Wi-Fi
- ◆ Telephone + Digital TV
- ◆ Private bathroom w/hairedryer + toiletries
- ◆ In-room safe
- ◆ Minibar + coffee/tea maker



\*hotel subject to change

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# TOUR APPLICATION

**TOUR NAME: Tulip Time in the Netherlands**

**TOUR DATES: April 9-15, 2019**

**TOUR # H2950**

*Note: The name on your tour documents and airline tickets must match your passport name.  
One form per address, please. Please provide a copy of your current passport with this application.*

Name on Passport 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 1st name for Name Tag \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Female  Male TSA Pre-check/Global Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Passport 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 1st name for Name Tag \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  Female TSA Pre-check/Global Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone-cell \_\_\_\_\_ Phone-home \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate or other travel companions: \_\_\_\_\_

Travel extension request: \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodations:  Single (\$2770)  Double-one bed (\$2525pp)  Twin-two beds (\$2525pp)

**Special Requests** - please understand that we cannot guarantee requests will be granted.

Room requests: \_\_\_\_\_ Dietary requests: \_\_\_\_\_

Air:  With group  Individual/customized Seat requests:  Window  Aisle  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Celebrating any special occasions? \_\_\_\_\_

Any medical conditions we should be aware of? \_\_\_\_\_

Any special assistance required? \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact name: \_\_\_\_\_ Burkhalter Travel Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Travel protection?  Maybe, please provide information.  No, thanks

**I/we have read and understand the terms and conditions for this tour (see back):**

**Signature Required**

## PAYMENT

Cash or check payable to Burkhalter Tours

Credit card (call with these numbers if you prefer not to mail them)

**Amount Paid:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$300 pp deposit is required—Final due: 1/4/19**

CC # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

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## TOUR TERMS AND CONDITIONS - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

**I.D./Citizenship:** Travelers must possess a passport valid for at least six months beyond the tour dates with names matching those on their tour and flight reservations. Complete name, gender and birth date are required to confirm reservations per TSA/airline requirements. Non-U.S. citizens are responsible for determining their own entry requirements.



**Deposits and Payments:** Please make checks payable to Burkhalter Tours. Most major credit cards are also accepted, although a cash discount may sometimes be available. **A deposit of \$300 per person** is required to secure reservations. All tour confirmations are subject to receipt of signed tour application and payment verification. **Final payment is due by or before January 4, 2019.**

**Cancellations/Refunds:** All cancellations are subject to a \$50 Burkhalter Tours service fee that may not be covered by tour operator insurance. In addition to the service fee and possible airline penalties, tour cancellation penalties are as follows: 89+ days prior to departure: Deposit; 90-1 days prior to departure: 100%. If a roommate cancels, the remaining traveler may have to pay any single room supplement that is incurred. Name changes and departure date changes are considered reservation cancellations and are subject to cancellation fees. Once issued, airline tickets are 100% non-refundable.

**Travel insurance:** We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance to protect your investment and also to give you medical coverage in case of an emergency during the trip. Ask your agent for more information.

**Tour Conditions:** This tour is a special Burkhalter Tours departure, and a minimum number of Burkhalter travelers is required to operate the tour. All arrangements are based upon tariffs in effect on 9/5/18 and are subject to change. Once deposit has been received, any changes to air or land arrangements may be assessed a revision fee between \$50-\$250. Revision fees may be higher once air is ticketed. Itineraries are subject to change by the operator. *\$100 of the tour price is a tax-deductible donation to Olbrich Gardens—this is not optional.*

**Air Transportation:** The estimated group airfare included in the total price requires a minimum of 10 travelers. If that minimum is not met, airfare may be higher. Airline schedules are subject to change by the airlines at any time. Advance seat assignments can only be requested after final payment and sometimes require an airline fee. Group seat assignments are usually done by the airline for the entire group, and changes are subject to availability, which may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your enjoyment of the tour, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking with the group.

**Accommodations:** Your hotel is a four-star property in a central location. Rooms have a private bathroom, and most rooms have two beds that could be double or twin size. Hotels are subject to change by the operator.

**Traveler Fitness:** Travelers should be in reasonably good health, able to board a motorcoach in a timely manner, climb stairs and walk moderate distances over sometimes uneven ground. Garden visits may involve considerable walking in order to see all parts of the gardens. Individuals with physical and/or cognitive limitations must be accompanied by an able individual who will assume complete responsibility for them. Tour personnel and hosts cannot and will not provide this kind of assistance.

**Passenger Consent Agreement:** Department of Transportation regulations require that we inform you that your purchase is subject to supplemental price increases beyond our control that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Such increases may come about due to increased fees, fuel surcharges, government tax increases, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination of these events. Post-purchase price increases may be applied to your invoice due to these unforeseen cost increases from suppliers. While a post-purchase price increase is rare and not anticipated, Burkhalter Tours will inform you of any increases as soon as possible. By signing the tour application and making your deposit, you are acknowledging that you have been made aware and accept the fact that such increases may occur, and that you agree to pay Burkhalter Tours accordingly.

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