

THE NETHERLANDS BY BARGE

BRUGES TO AMSTERDAM ABOARD *MAGNIFIQUE II*

With Daily Optional Bike Tours
September 8–16, 2017

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Experience the best that Belgium and the Netherlands have to offer on a memorable journey combining a relaxing seven-night barge cruise aboard the intimate M.S. *Magnifique II*, with daily optional bike tours. Take advantage of the gentle, even terrain of the Low Countries as you cruise or pedal along pastoral canals, passing storybook Flemish villages, fortified towns, and sophisticated lock systems. Visit Bruges, Ghent, and Antwerp to discover the outstanding art, architecture, and gastronomy of the region. Explore Kinderdijk, a UNESCO-listed series of iconic windmills, and the world-renowned cheese market in Gouda. Tour the beautifully restored rooms and gardens of the 17th-century Het Loo Palace, former summer residence of the Dutch royal family. Other highlights include a visit to a silversmith's workshop in Schoonhoven and a bike ride through De Hoge Veluwe National Park, home to an array of plant and animal life.



Why Travel with HBS Alumni?

HBS Alumni trips provide special access to people and places most travelers never see and include activities such as lectures with cultural experts, naturalists, and historians, as well as receptions with local HBS alumni and business leaders.

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Sep 3–12, 2017



Jim Salzman, currently a visiting professor at Harvard University, is the Donald Bren Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law with joint appointments at UCLA Law School and the University of California, Santa Barbara, School of Environment. He regularly teaches at the Harvard Law School—most recently in 2016 as the Jeremiah Smith, Jr., Visiting Professor of Law and then again next Winter 2017. The first Harvard graduate to earn joint degrees in law and in engineering, he was awarded a Sheldon Fellowship upon graduation. One of the world's leading experts on drinking water, he regularly comments in the media on environmental issues. A popular lecturer, he was twice voted Professor of the Year by students at Duke University. His book, *Drinking Water: A History*, is in its third printing and has been featured in *Scientific American*, *the Washington Post*, *the New York Times*, and NPR's *Weekend Edition*.



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Schedule by Day

B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

U.S. DEPARTURE

Depart on an overnight flight to Brussels.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

BRUSSELS/BRUGES, BELGIUM

Arrive in Brussels and transfer to Bruges. Enjoy some leisure time in this UNESCO-listed city brimming with sublime architecture and art. You may wish to view Michelangelo's *Madonna and Child* in the Church of Our Lady or the superb collection of Hans Memling paintings in the Hospital of St. John. Pending confirmation, the president of the College of Europe will meet with the group, and the Mayor of Bruges will greet us at the town hall. Transfer to *Magnifique II* and settle into your cabin. The captain hosts a welcome dinner tonight. D

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

BRUGES/GHENT, BELGIUM

Approximately 15 miles biking

Cruise or cycle past canals and small villages to Ghent. Pause to watch the operation of the "Eye," Belgium's giant lock system, and picnic alongside the River Lys. A guided walk through the center of Ghent will reveal the fascinating history of this lively city, which in the Middle Ages was one of the largest and wealthiest cities in Europe. B, L, D

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

GHENT/SINT-AMANDS, BELGIUM

Approximately 20 miles biking

Follow the Scheldt River to Dendermonde, a small city known for its magnificent Flemish buildings. Continue your exploration via bicycle, or enjoy free time in Dendermonde, perhaps to visit the Church of Our Lady, home to two Van Dyck paintings and a 12th-century baptismal font of Tournai stone. This evening attend a private concert on board the ship. B, L, D

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

SINT-AMANDS/ANTWERP, BELGIUM

Approximately 28 miles biking

Enjoy magnificent scenery this morning as you cruise or bike along the winding Scheldt. In Antwerp, experience Belgium's celebrated beer culture on a tour of the recently reopened Antwerp City Brewery. Its iconic De Koninck brews have been made here for more than 180 years, with each variety served in its own special glass. Afterwards, explore Antwerp's Zurenborg neighborhood, home to countless Art Nouveau homes. B, L



Bruges (top); *Madonna and Child* (detail) by Michelangelo (center left); biking in the Dutch countryside (center right); and lively waterways in Ghent (above)



**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
ANTWERP/DORDRECHT,
THE NETHERLANDS**

Approximately 20 miles biking

Discover Antwerp's newly renovated Central Station—one of the most beautiful in Europe—and restored Harbour House, designed by Zaha Hadid. Alternatively, relax aboard *Magnifique II* as she crosses to the Netherlands through the Kreekrak lock system to Tholen, a former fishing village. Back on your bike, follow the path along the impressive Volkerak lock system and past Willemstad, whose historic old town is still surrounded by star-shaped fortifications. *Magnifique II* docks overnight in Dordrecht, one of the Netherlands' oldest cities.

B, L, D

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
DORDRECHT/VIANEN,
THE NETHERLANDS**

Approximately 15 miles biking

Drive to the Gouda cheese market for tastings and talks with local producers. Bike through the village of Kinderdijk, recognized by UNESCO for its 19 windmills. Lunch is at a neighborhood farm featuring Dutch specialties. Cruise or cycle to Schoonhoven, a center for silversmiths since the 17th century, where you will have an opportunity to shop and to visit a local craftsman. Follow the Lek River to Vianen, once home to American Revolutionary hero the Marquis de Lafayette.

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**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
VIANEN/AMSTERDAM,
THE NETHERLANDS**

Approximately 21 miles biking

On your last day of cycling, the trail leads you through the scenic woodlands, sand dunes, and flowering heaths of the De Hoge Veluwe National Park, home to an array of plant and animal life. Pedal to the Het Loo Palace to view the Dutch royal family's works of art and wander the Baroque gardens. Continue to Het Gooi, a collection of chic villages renowned for their striking contemporary architecture. Pending confirmation, you will be a guest in one of the Het Gooi homes. Celebrate a memorable voyage at tonight's farewell dinner aboard *Magnifique II*.

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
AMSTERDAM/U.S. RETURN**

Disembark and transfer to the airport for the return flights home.

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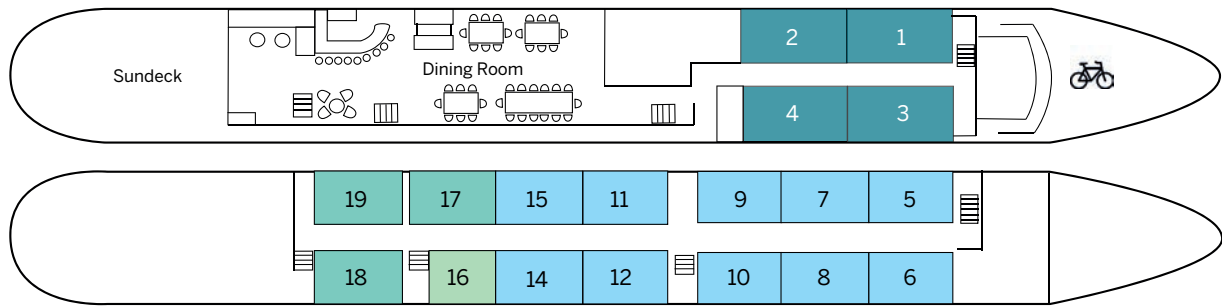
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Biking Time Estimates:
15 miles (25km) ~ 1.5-2 hours biking
20 miles (32km) ~ 2-2.5 hours biking



Clockwise from top left: Gouda cheese market, fountain in Het Loo Palace gardens, Red Deer in De Hoge Veluwe National Park, and architecture in Amsterdam

MAGNIQUE II



Cruise Rates

(Per Person, Double Occupancy except as noted)

Cabins	Decks	Rates
16	Lower Deck	\$3,995
Single cabin. Twin bed with portholes		
17, 18, 19	Lower Deck	\$3,995
Twin beds with portholes		
5 to 12, 14 & 15	Lower Deck	\$4,995
Twin beds with portholes		
1 to 4	Top Deck	\$5,995
Suites, twin beds, small sitting area, large windows		

NOTE: Cabin 16 is for single use with no single supplement. A limited number of Lower Deck cabins are available for a single supplement of \$1,495. All cabins except 16 have two twin beds which can be moved together to make a double bed.

Launched in the spring of 2016, this luxury barge offers 18 comfortable cabins equipped with Wi-Fi, flat-screen satellite TVs, and individually controlled air conditioning. Her upper deck features a salon, restaurant, bar, and lounge. Her teak sun deck is partially covered and ideal for watching the passing scenery.



Magnifique II (top left), salon (top right), suite (above left), lounge (above center), and twin cabin (above right)

HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn from lectures by your Harvard study leader, Jim Salzman
- Spend seven nights aboard the intimate *Magnifique II*, a new luxury barge with 18 comfortable cabins
- Pedal through beautiful scenery and along gentle, even terrain on daily bike tours
- Enjoy leisure time in Bruges, a canal-laced city nicknamed "the Pearl of Flanders"
- Tour the recently reopened Antwerp City Brewery, whose beers have been brewed for over 180 years
- Experience the renowned Gouda cheese market, chatting with vendors and sampling their wares
- Visit Het Loo Palace, former summer residence of the Dutch royal family



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GENERAL INFORMATION

PROGRAM SIZE: This tour (exclusively developed for the Harvard Business School), is limited to 30 participants on a first-come, first-served basis. We retain the right to add staff members and/or invited guests to any of our group departures regardless of the stated group-size limitation.

TOUR COST INCLUSIONS: Lectures and discussions with your faculty leader; seven nights cabin accommodations aboard *Magnifique II*; all meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner); bottled water and coffee/tea with all meals; local wine/beer with dinners; airport /pier/airport group transfers for those on suggested flights; daily guided or self-guided bike tours; traditional touring bicycles with 7-8 gears, hand brake and/or pedal brake, saddle bags; bike route maps and printed instructions; daily briefings on board by professional guides; all shipboard gratuities; gratuities to all guides and drivers; entrance fees; baggage handling; pre-departure information, coordination and administration; and \$200,000 emergency medical evacuation insurance.

TOUR COST EXCLUSIONS: Airfare; meals not specified in the itinerary; personal items such as laundry, and telephone calls; beverages not mentioned above as included; room service, minibar charges, passport fees, excess baggage charges, bicycle helmets; medical expenses, travel insurance; deviations from the scheduled tour; massage or spa treatments; satellite phone and internet charges while aboard *Magnifique II*, airport taxes, security, or fuel surcharges imposed after the initial pricing of this program are not included.

RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS & FINAL PAYMENT:

To reserve your space on this program, a \$1,000 deposit is required per person. Please either call us at 800-422-1636 or 617-496-0806 or fill out and mail or fax the registration form. Reservations are acknowledged in order of receipt until the maximum enrollment has been reached. Final payment is due 120 days before departure.

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Front cover: The windmills of Kinderdijk, photo © Tim Graham. Back cover: Ghent



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Reservation Form

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TRIP DEPOSIT

Enclosed is a deposit for \$_____ (\$1,000 per person), to hold space(s) on the HBS Alumni Travel: The Netherlands by Barge trip, September 8–16, 2017. Final payment is due 120 days before departure.

Enclosed is my/our check for \$_____

made payable to *Harvard University*; OR

Please charge my deposit of \$_____

per person to: Debit card Visa MasterCard

American Express

Card number _____

Expiration date _____ Security code _____

TRAVELER INFORMATION

of people in group _____ # of cabins needed _____

Name 1 (as on passport) _____

Date of birth _____ HBS affiliation _____

Name 2 (as on passport) _____

Date of birth _____ HBS affiliation _____

Street address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Home phone _____ Work _____

E-mail _____

ACCOMMODATIONS ABOARD *MAGNIFIQUE II*

Category Preference _____

Cabin preference One bed Two beds Single

I wish to share a cabin with:

Name of roommate

SINGLE TRAVELERS

I prefer to share accommodations. (If a roommate is not available, I will pay the single rate)

FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS

Please make international flight arrangements from:

I/We have carefully read and accept the general information explaining the terms and conditions of this brochure and the terms and statement of responsibility found at alumni.hbs.edu/travel.

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