

TRIP START DATES

2023	2024
APR 01, 08, 15, 22, 29	MAR 30
MAY 06, 13, 27	APR 06, 13, 20, 27
JUN 10, 24	MAY 04, 11, 25
JUL 08, 22	JUN 08, 22
AUG 05, 19	JUL 06, 20
SEP 02, 16, 30	AUG 03, 17, 31
	SEP 14, 28

For full dates and prices, and to choose your group size, visit insightvacations.com/crbelgium

Visit Keukenhof Gardens on select departures.

↗ COUNTRY ROADS
ACTIVITY LEVEL: LEISURELY

11 DAYS
3 COUNTRIES
13 MEALS
15 INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

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GUEST REVIEW ★★★★★

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER

Brussels: Experience a Dine-Around Evening. Diverse options reflect the cosmopolitan nature of the city, including We Exist, an initiative supporting Syrian immigrants.

INSIGHT EXPERIENCE

Monnickendam: Visit a delightful rustic workshop, and take a step back in time to learn the arts of cheese and log making.

INSIGHT CHOICE

Brussels: Choose between visiting Waterloo and the Panorama mural, to learn about Napoleon's final defeat. Alternatively, join a private chocolate truffle-making lesson and tasting with a master chocolatier, and later explore Brussels further with a Local Expert.

AUTHENTIC DINING

Luxembourg: At restaurant Les Écuirs du Parc, savour a freshly prepared farm-to-table meal of locally sourced, seasonal produce.

Welcome Dinner in Brussels • Choice of Dine-Around options in Brussels • Celebration Dinner in Monnickendam.

Taste Chimay Trappist beer and cheese.

TOP RATED HIGHLIGHTS

Cruise on the canals of Amsterdam.

Visit the Bastogne War Museum • Delft Pottery Workshop.

City tours of Ghent, Bruges and Luxembourg City, all with Local Experts.

COUNTRY ROADS OF BELGIUM, LUXEMBOURG & THE NETHERLANDS

"The architecture throughout Brussels, and the quaint Belgian towns of Bruges and Ghent, is incredibly impressive and among some of the most intricate in Europe." – Nathalie, Travel Director



KEUKENHOF GARDENS,
NETHERLANDS
(SELECT DEPARTURES)



MARKET SQUARE, BRUGES



LUXEMBOURG



DAY 1 WELCOME TO BRUSSELS

Airport transfers depart Brussels airport for your hotel at 09:00, 11:00 and 14:30.

Join your Travel Director at 17:00 for a visit to the cheeky Manneken Pis statue and a leisurely stroll around the Grand Place.

Your delightful first evening also includes a Welcome Dinner with drinks, at a local restaurant in the heart of the Old Town. (DW)

NH Collection Brussels Centre.

DAY 2 THE BATTLEFIELD OF WATERLOO OR CHOCOLATE TRUFFLE MAKING LESSON

Relaxed Start. Explore Brussels with Insight Choice. Learn about Napoleon's final defeat at Waterloo or alternatively, join a private chocolate truffle making lesson and tasting with a master chocolatier, and further explore Brussels with a Local Expert.

Return to Brussels, where the remainder of the day is at your leisure. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to the lively city of Antwerp.

In the evening, choose from a selection of hand-picked local restaurants on your Dine-Around Evening. (B) (DW)

DAY 3 GHENT AND ON TO BRUGES

In the morning, admire the contrast of the Chinese and Japanese Pavilions and the impressive, metallic spheres of the Atomium.

Your journey then crosses the pasture lands of Belgian Flanders to reach Ghent, the City of Flowers, offering a fascinating cultural mix of medieval heritage and modern urban life.

With a Local Expert, take a stroll through the historical streets and be mesmerised by the outstanding beauty of its quays, churches and squares. Visit St. Bavo's Cathedral, former home of the Eyck masterpiece, and see the Castle of the Counts. We continue to Bruges, where you'll stay for the next two nights. (B)

Radisson Blu Hotel, Bruges.

DAY 4 SIGHTSEEING BRUGES

Relaxed Start. Meet your Local Expert in Bruges for a stroll along cobbled streets, lined with high-gabled houses from the 16th century. Visit the Market Square, dominated by the 83-metre medieval bell tower, The Belfry of Bruges. Explore Burg Square with its ornate Gothic town hall (B)

DAY 5 LUXEMBOURG

Travel into the French-speaking region of Wallonia, where picturesque country roads lead you to the late 19th century Scourmont Abbey.

Visit the Chimay Experience to learn about the production secrets of Chimay Trappist beers. Your visit concludes with a sample of freshly brewed beer and a taste of golden-crust cheese.

Continue on to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to arrive at your 18th century chateau home for two nights.

In the evening, you will be served a fresh and delicious Farm-to-Table Dinner at restaurant L'Écurie du Parc.

See the 12th century Clervaux Castle illuminated on your stroll after dinner. (B) (DW)

Château d'Urspelt (Castle Rooms), Clervaux.

DAY 6 LUXEMBOURG CITY AND COUNTRYSIDE

Your travels continue to Luxembourg City for sightseeing with your Local Expert. Visit the grave of U.S. General George S. Patton and admire the view over the Petrusse Ravine from the Pont Adolphe. Stroll through the Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, to see the cathedral and the Palace of the Grand Duke.

With the afternoon free for you to explore at your leisure, perhaps join an Optional Experience to the ancient Roman city of Trier. (B) (DW)

DAY 7 EXPLORE BASTOGNE THEN ON TO ROTTERDAM

Head for Bastogne to visit the Mardasson Monument, dedicated to the U.S. troops who died during Battle of the Bulge in World War II. Visit the interactive memorial centre of Bastogne War Museum.

Your journey continues to Rotterdam.

During your orientation with your Travel Director, see the impressive market hall and its radical modern design. (B)

Inntel Hotels Rotterdam Centre.

DAY 8 DELFT AND THE HAGUE

Visit one of the manufacturers of original Delft blue pottery and see the potters at work.

Continue on to the Hague to see the Binnenhof courtyards where the Parliament is situated and the impressive Peace Palace. Select departures visit Keukenhof Gardens one of the world's largest flower gardens, an unforgettable experience not to be missed.

Pass through picturesque villages and windmills of the Dutch countryside to Amsterdam. (B)

Grand Hotel Amrath Amsterdam.

DAY 9 AMSTERDAM SIGHTSEEING

Relaxed Start. Today you explore Amsterdam, a living museum of the 17th century, yet still a vibrant metropolis and port. Cruise through the canal district, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and admire the elegant merchant houses from the 16th and 17th centuries. Relax as you pass stunning gables, beautiful churches and the iconic Skinny Bridge. Disembark your cruise to wander the city and see the floating flower market, Dam Square and the Royal Palace. (B)

DAY 10 A TRUE DUTCH DELIGHT

Relaxed Start. Later, in Amsterdam, visit the Rijksmuseum with a local art historian.

Journey to the fishing village of Monnikendam, learn the secrets of cheese makers craft and witness a traditional shoemaker turn a block of wood into clogs.

In the evening, join your newfound friends and Travel Director at a beautiful restaurant in Monnikendam to enjoy your Celebration Dinner. (B) (DW)

DAY 11 DEPART AMSTERDAM

Transfers to Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport arrive at 08:00 and 10:00. (B)

KEY

Join/Leave Options

UNESCO Heritage Site

Central Hotels + Nights

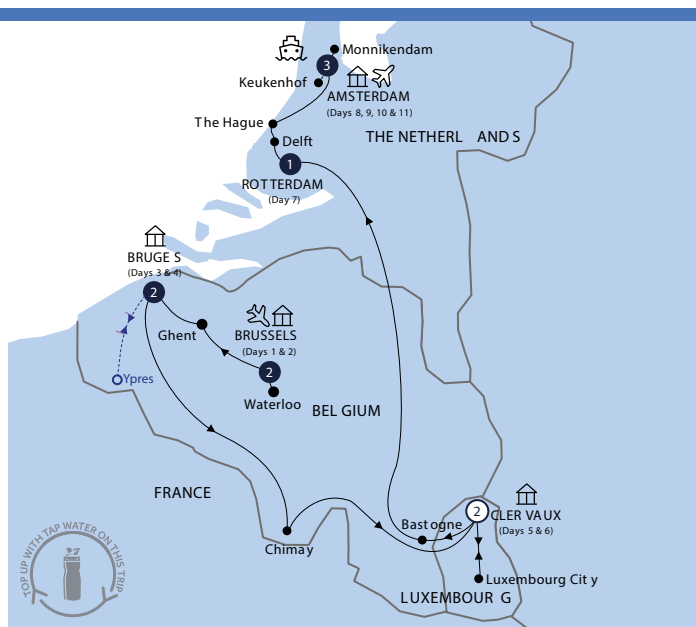
Scenic Hotels + Nights

Place Visited

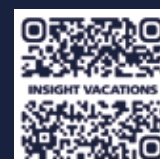
Optional Place Visited

CHOOSE YOUR GROUP SIZE

This trip operates both classic and small group departures. You can also book your own private group with as few as 12 travellers.



TOP RATED HIGHLIGHT Blending in at the Keukenhof Gardens. (Photo by @Gerson Lange, Day 8, Keukenhof Gardens)



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