

# Passport To Travel

Presents Avalon Waterways  
*Tulip Time River Cruise*  
April 18<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012



## Day 1 - April 18<sup>th</sup> - Depart the United States



AMSTERDAM:  
There is no better way to see Amsterdam than by canal boat, cruising through the elegant grachten lined with stately homes dating back to Amsterdam's 'Golden Age.'



AMSTERDAM:  
Welcome to Amsterdam, Holland's delightful capital city with classic architecture, cafes, restaurants and lively marketplaces.

Escorted by Garnette Schaapman-Martin

## Day 2 - April 19<sup>th</sup> - Arrive - Amsterdam, Netherlands

Welcome to Amsterdam! After going through customs we will be met outside baggage claim for our transfer to the NH Amsterdam Centre Hotel. The rest of the day is on your own. The hotel is within walking distance of Vondelpark, Heineken Brewery and the world-renowned Rijksmuseum.



## Day 3 - April 20<sup>th</sup> - Keukenhof Gardens and Delft

Today we will have a full day of touring. The Keukenhof Gardens are on 32 hectares (70+ acres) of parkland with lakes, flower mosaics, sculpture gardens, greenhouses and a windmill to explore. We will have a boxed lunch at the gardens and then continue to the city of Delft. Delft is over 750 years old and is well known for its traditional architecture, canals, bikes and the world famous blue and white ceramic porcelain Delftware. Visit included to the Royal Delft factory. (B, L)



KEUKENHOF GARDENS:  
Explore over 70 acres of parkland with lakes, sculpture gardens, greenhouses and windmill. Millions of flower bulbs present a spectacular display of blooms every year.



## Day 4 - April 21<sup>st</sup> - Amsterdam, Netherlands

Today you are on your own to explore Amsterdam. Holland's capital is sophisticated and modern, with a rich and fascinating history. This delightful 700-year-old city with its elegant and classic architecture, cafés, restaurants, and lively marketplace has a distinct ambience. Things to do and see in Amsterdam: Anne Frank House, the Van Gogh Museum, or shopping at the flea market. You can leave your luggage with the bellman to hold for the day. Meet in the lobby at 3:45 PM for transfer to ship. We will meet our crew at a welcome reception. (B, D)

## Day 5 - April 22<sup>nd</sup> - Amsterdam, Netherlands

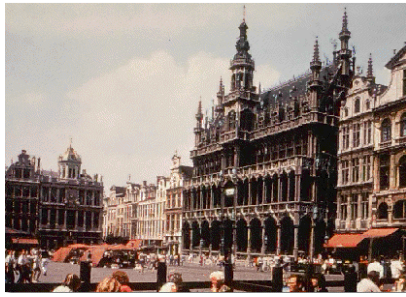
There is no better way to see the city than by *Canal Boat*, cruising through the elegant grachten lined with stately homes dating back to Amsterdam's "Golden Age." We return to the ship for lunch and enjoy a leisurely afternoon of cruising. (B, L, D)



## Day 6 - April 23<sup>rd</sup> - Venlo, Netherlands

After breakfast this morning we will depart for the Floriade, an international exhibition of flowers and gardening that is held every 10 years in the Netherlands. First staged in 1851, these international exhibitions were originally held all over the world, often leaving behind legacies such as the Eiffel Tower in Paris, the Atomium in Brussels, and the Euromast in Rotterdam. (B, L, D)





**Day 7 - April 24<sup>th</sup> - Antwerp, Belgium**

Antwerp is Belgium's second-largest city and one of the world's most important ancient seaports. Included sightseeing shows you its superb architecture, and the Grote Market with its beautiful city hall and the Church of Our Lady make this city well worth a visit. After lunch, we will go to Brussels, Belgium's capital and home of the European Union. (B, L, D)

**Day 8 - April 25<sup>th</sup> - Ghent, Belgium**

In a unique way, Ghent, the "diamond" of Flanders, has managed to preserve its medieval charm and power while keeping up with the times. A Local Guide will proudly point out that the city center alone is a showcase of medieval Flemish wealth and commercial success, and will take you into St. Baaf's Cathedral. From here we will have an excursion to the fascinating Bruges, with its criss-crossed canals and charming old patrician houses. (B, L, D)



GHENT:  
Witness a unique city that has managed to preserve its medieval charm and power while keeping up with the times.



**Day 9 - April 26<sup>th</sup> - Middelburg, Netherlands - Veere-Delta Works**

Middelburg was originally built as a stronghold to protect the population of Zeeland from the water and from enemies. Later, it became a prosperous merchant city that spent great wealth on the construction of important buildings such as the town hall. After the flood of 1953, during which more than 1,800 people drowned in one night, the Delta Plan was born to prevent another disaster of this magnitude. The final defense in the battle against the water is the storm flood barrier, almost six miles long and considered a technical miracle. The project took 30 years to complete. We will enjoy some free time in the charming town of Veere, once an important wool-trading center. (B, L, D)



KINDERDIJK:  
You'll visit this charming village with its picturesque row of windmills.

**Day 10 - April 27<sup>th</sup> - Kinderdijk & Schoonhoven, Netherlands**

This morning, we will visit Kinderdijk with its picturesque row of windmills. There are over 1,000 windmills in the Netherlands. Kinderdijk has the largest collection with its 19 mills. These mills were built in 1740 and are still in place today and this is the perfect place to visit this heritage. We will return to the ship for lunch. After lunch we will depart at 1:30 PM for our excursion to Schoonhoven. Originally a walled city to protect against flooding, some of the walls are still standing, but the city is now protected by the dyke. Schoonhoven, nicknamed "Zilverstad" is known for its silver. You are on your own to explore this delightful city. There are several museums to visit. The Zilvergalerie de Watertoren (Silver Museum) & Klokkemuseum (Clock Museum) are in the same building. (B, L, D)

**Day 11 - April 28<sup>th</sup> - Amsterdam, Netherlands**

Our cruise ends with breakfast this morning. We will be transferred to the airport to depart to the US.



# Avalon Luminary Deck Plan



## Deck Plan

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Sky Deck with deck chairs | 9 Lounge                |
| 2 Navigation Bridge         | 9a Outside viewing deck |
| 3 Onboard camera            | 10 Bar                  |
| 4 Sky Lounge                | 11 Club Lounge          |
| 5 Whirlpool                 | 12 Hair salon           |
| 6 Reception                 | 13 Elevator             |
| 7 Foyer                     | 14 Dining Room          |
| 8 Internet corner           | 15 Galley               |
|                             | 16 Fitness center       |

## Categories

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| <span style="background-color: #f08080; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Suite</span> Royal Deck             |
| <span style="background-color: #90ee90; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Cat. P</span> Royal Deck            |
| <span style="background-color: #6495ed; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Cat. A</span> Sapphire Deck Forward |
| <span style="background-color: #6495ed; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Cat. B</span> Sapphire Deck Aft     |
| <span style="background-color: #ffff00; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Cat. E</span> Indigo Deck           |

	Category E	Category B	Category A	Category P
Double Rate Per Person	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 3,499.00	\$ 3,550.00	\$ 3,650.00
Single Rate	\$ 4,075.00	\$ 5,475.00	\$ 5,595.00	\$ 5,850.00

Prices include Two Nights Amsterdam Hotel (meals as per itinerary), Seven Night Cruise, Transfers, Port Charges, Taxes & Tours in daily itinerary. While on onboard enjoy superb dining with all meals featuring full breakfast, lunch, and dinner, including a welcome reception, Captain's reception and farewell dinner; quality wines from Europe's most famous wine regions with every dinner; one sitting with open seating arrangements. Each category has limited availability so book early. Complete the travel application on page 4 and fax or mail it to Passport To Travel, Attention: Garnette. Airfare is additional and prices should be available late June 2011.

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