Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra - Create Your Own Dutch Experience

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1 day

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Amsterdam Hotel Accommodaiton Westcord Fashion Hotel - 4 Stars

April 29 - May 10

From CA\$2625 - twin, per person based on double occupancy

From CA\$1400 - additional single supplement

Eden Hotel Amsterdam - 4 Stars

May 3 - 10

From CA\$2125 - twin, per person based on double occupancy

From CA\$1320 - additional single supplement

Grand Amrath Amsterdam - 5 Stars

May 3 - 10

From CA\$2545 - twin, per person based on double occupancy

From CA\$1750 - additional single supplement

Tour 1: Amsterdam Van Gogh Museum and Rijksmuseum

Depart hotel at 9:30am and return at 4:00pm

A guided visit to two of the most famous museums in the city. This morning you will be transferred to the Museum Square where the Van Gogh Museum and the Rijksmuseum are located. Enjoy a guided tour at the Van Gogh Museum first. Here you will see paintings from the famous Dutch master but also other impressionists of his time. After lunch on your own you will have a guided tour of the Rijksmuseum you will see the 'Nachtwacht' (Night Watch) by Rembrandt and other paintings by famous Dutch artists like Vermeer and Frans Hals. The museum also houses a wide collection of other Dutch art and art from around the world. Afterwards you will be transferred back to your hotel.

- Deluxe coach for transfer from the hotel to the Van Gogh Museum in the morning and for transfer from the and Rijksmuseum to the hotel in the afternoon
- Assistance by a local representative from 9:30am 4:00pm
- Guided visit in the morning to the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam



- Guided visit in the afternoon to the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam
- All taxes

CA\$300 per person

Tour 2: Amsterdam Walking Tour and Canal Cruise

Depart hotel at 9:30am and return at 3:15pm

A guided walking tour through old Amsterdam, starting at your hotel this morning. Amsterdam was founded in the Middle Ages and has many historical buildings. You will see the most important sights such as the Dam Square with the impressive Royal Palace and New Church, the canals, the floating Flower market and the Rijksmuseum (no entrance included). After lunch on your own you will explore the city on a narrated canal cruise. The canals of the city are on the World Heritage Site list with over one hundred kilometers of waterways running past gabled warehouses, arched bridges and colorful houseboats.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach for transfer from the Canal Cruise disembarkation quay back to the hotel in the afternoon
- Assistance by a local representative from 9:30am 3:15pm
- Local guide service for a guided walking tour of Amsterdam, starting at the hotel at 09:30 AM and ending at 11:30 AM in the morning
- Narrated Canal Cruise in Amsterdam, starting at the Hard rock Café or Heineken Experience in the early afternoon
- All taxes

CA\$255 per person

Tour 3: Aalsmeer Flower Auction and Keukenhof

Depart hotel at 8:00am and return at 5:00pm

An early start to see the best of the World's Largest Flower Auction in Aalsmeer (open from 7:00 – 11:00 am). Here you see the industry in action at the Aalsmeer Flower Auction. In a building approximately the size of a 100 football fields, many kinds of flowers are traded. Most of which arrive in the florist's shop throughout Europe on the very same day. Afterwards you will travel to the Keukenhof, the largest and most beautiful flower garden in the world! The gardens display the world's largest exhibition of blooming tulips, daffodils and hyacinths. Stroll through the gardens, view the plantings in the three exhibition halls. Walk up to the windmill for a magnificent view over the brilliant colors of the bulb fields. Lunch on your own at the Keukenhof. You will travel back to Amsterdam in the late afternoon.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 8:00am 5:00pm
- Entrance to the Aalsmeer Flower Auction and the Keukenhof
- All taxes

CA\$300 per person

Tour 4: Zaanse Schans

Depart hotel at 9:00am and return at 3:00pm

The Zaanse Schans is a small 40 house community, just north of Amsterdam, on the banks of the river Zaan. There used to be 700 windmills here at the turn of the 18th century, nowadays there are only 5 left. The area was an important industrial area, and the shipbuilding industry was so flourishing that Czar Peter the Great visited the Zaan area in 1697. You will visit the cheese and clog workshop and the Zaans Museum. After a Dutch Pancake lunch together, you will visit a windmill.

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 9:00am 3:00pm
- · Entrance to the cheese and clog workshop, the Zaans Museum and a windmill at the Zaanse Schans
- Dutch Pancake lunch, 2 courses, no drinks included
- All taxes

CA\$300 per person

Tour 5: Lisse Keukenhof

Depart hotel at 9:00am and return at 3:00pm

The Keukenhof is the largest and most beautiful flower garden in the world! The gardens display the world's largest exhibition of blooming tulips, daffodils and hyacinths. Stroll through the gardens, view the plantings in the three exhibition halls. Walk up to the windmill for a magnificent view over the brilliant colors of the bulb fields. Lunch on your own at the Keukenhof. You will travel back to Amsterdam in the early afternoon.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 9:00am 3:00pm
- Entrance to the Keukenhof in Lisse
- All taxes

CA\$225 per person

Tour 6: Aalsmeer Flower Auction and Zaanse Schans

Depart hotel at 8:00am and return at 4:00pm

An early start to see the best of the World's largest flower Auction in Aalsmeer (open from 7:00 – 11:00 am). Here you see the industry in action at the Aalsmeer Flower Auction. In a building approximately the size of a 100 football fields, many kinds of flowers are traded. Most of which arrive in the florist's shop throughout Europe on the very same day. Afterwards depart for the Zaanse Schans which is a small 40 house community, just north of Amsterdam, on the banks of the river Zaan. There used to be 700 windmills here at the turn of the 18th century, nowadays there are only 5 left. The area was an important industrial area and the shipbuilding industry was so flourishing that Czar Peter the Great visited the Zaan area in 1697. You will visit the cheese and clog workshop. After a Dutch Pancake lunch together, you will visit a windmill and the Zaans Museum.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 8:00am 4:00pm
- Entrance to the Aalsmeer Flower Auction and the cheese and clog workshop, the Zaanse Museum and a windmill at the Zaanse Schans
- Dutch Pancake lunch, 2 courses, no drinks included
- All taxes

CA\$350 per person

Tour 7: Steam Tram and Boat to Zuiderzee Museum

Depart hotel at 8:30am and return at 5:00pm

You will be taken to the historic train station with museum in Hoorn built in 1887. You will have time to explore the train station and museum site before you will board a steam tram which will take you to Medemblik where you will arrive around midday. After lunch on your own in Medemblik, you will board a historic boat and set sail on the Zuiderzee (South Sea). This former sea is now closed off by a dam and parts of it have been turned into polders claiming it as farmland. The boat trip ends in Enkhuizen where you will visit the Zuiderzee Museum. This museum gives you an insight into the maritime history of the area through indoor exhibits and a large outdoor area with 140 historic buildings. Enjoy leisurely time in Enkhuizen before heading back to Amsterdam.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 8:30am 5:00pm
- One-way steam tram ticket from Hoorn to Medemblik
- One-way boat ticket from Medemblik to Enkhuizen
- Entrance to the Zuiderzee Museum in Enkhuizen
- All taxes

CA\$305 per person

Depart hotel at 11:00am and return at 6:00pm

Food tour through Rotterdam starting around lunch time. Enjoy this 4-hour walking tour (15 persons per group maximum). Besides sampling you will also see some of the city's sights and learn about its history. Rotterdam is a diverse city with a combination of architecture due to heavy bombing at the beginning of WWII. Stops will include delicatessen stores, a brewery and the spectacular market hall with food from all over the world. You will have about 6-7 tastings at different locations including one drink. Additional food can be bought if you are tempted. Return to Amsterdam in the late afternoon.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 11:00am 6:00pm
- Food tour on foot by local guide, 6-7 tastings and 1 (alcoholic) drink per person included
- All taxes

CA\$350 per person

Tour 9: Kinderdijk and Boat Trip to Rotterdam

Depart hotel at 8:30am and return at 6:00pm

Enjoy a tour into the typical Dutch county side to visit Kinderdijk, an UNESCO World Cultural site. 19 windmills are situated on dykes and once kept the surrounding land dry, they function but some of their task has been taken over by modern day equipment elsewhere. You can wander around to see and visit the windmills, some are residential, but others can be visited. Around midday you will travel back to Rotterdam by boat and view the skyline from the water. An extensive lunch buffet is included on board. You will reach Rotterdam in the early afternoon. You will be transferred to the city center to attend a guided walking tour of Rotterdam. You will see some of the buildings that have escaped the bombing of WWII and modern architecture like the Markthal, the Cube houses and many more.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 8:30am 6:00pm
- Local guide service for the visit of Kinderdijk
- Local guide service for a guided walking tour of Rotterdam
- · Entrance to Kinderdijk including an introduction film and visits of 2 windmills
- One-way boat trip from Kinderdijk to Rotterdam
- Lunch buffet on board, no drinks included
- All taxes

CA\$400 per person

Tour 10: Gouda and Delft (Thursdays)

Depart hotel at 9:00am and return at 5:00pm

In Gouda you will have a walking tour of the Cheese City where on Thursday mornings the traditional cheese market takes place. You will visit the Old Weigh House and Cheese Museum and see the famous stained-glass windows in the St. Jan's Church. You will also have a hand at treacle waffle baking during a workshop, you will be able to take the results home (if you can resist them long enough). After lunch on your own you will visit the charming city of Delft. The birthplace of the painter Vermeer and famous for Delftware; the blue and white pottery. You will have a guided visit to the Porceleyne fles.

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 9:00am 5:00pm
- Guided visits to the Porceleyne Fles, Old Weigh House and Cheese Museum
- Local guide service for a guided walking tour in Gouda
- Entrance to the Porceleyne Fles, Old Weigh House and Cheese Museum
- Treacle Waffle workshop
- All taxes

Tour 11: Delft and The Hague

Depart hotel at 9:00am and return at 6:00pm

You will visit the charming city of Delft which is the birthplace of the painter Vermeer and famous for Delftware; the blue and white pottery. You will have a guided visit to the Porceleyne fles. The Hague is the seat of government, which is quite unique as it is not in the Capital of the country, it is also the home of the Royal Family. During a city tour by coach you will see the Houses of Parliament, Palace Noordeinde, the Kings Work Palace and Carnegie's Peace Palace now the International Court of Justice you will have a guided visit to the Mauritshuis museum, a beautiful small museum housing 3 famous Vermeer paintings including the Girl with the Pearl Earring!

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 9:00am-6:00pm
- Guided visit to the Porceleyne Fles in Delft
- Local guide service for a city tour by coach in The Hague
- Entrance to the Mauritshuis in The Hague
- All taxes

CA\$305 per person

Tour 12: Alkmaar Cheese Market and Volendam (Fridays)

Depart hotel at 8:30am and return at 5:00pm

This morning you will visit Alkmaar and the famous Kaasmarkt (Cheese market). At the "Waagplein" a folkloric spectacle is taking place since 1365 (held only on Friday morning, April-September). See how cheese is traded by the 'kaasdragers' (cheese porters), the 'zetters' (loaders), 'ingooiers' (cheese tossers) and 'waagmeesters' (weighers) according to a tradition that is centuries old. After lunch on your own in Alkmaar, you will depart by coach to the picturesque village of Volendam. It has always been a fishermen's village, and even though the fishing industry is not flourishing anymore, the harbor area with its many boats is still bustling. Volendam's traditional costume is one of the best-known examples of ancient clothing (klederdracht) in Holland. Here you have free time and you can for example have your picture taken in those traditional Dutch costumes (not included).

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 8:30am 5:00pm
- Local guide service for a walking tour in Alkmaar
- All taxes

CA\$260 per person

Tour 13: Groesbeek and Dutch Open-Air Museum

Depart hotel at 8:00am and return at 6:30pm

You will visit the New Liberation Museum in Groesbeek and the Canadian War Cemetery of Groesbeek. The cemetery has 2610 commonwealth graves of WWII and every year a major commemoration is held on Remembrance Day, May 4th. The Liberation Museum at Groesbeek is undergoing a major renovation which will be completed before the start of the 75 year of liberation celebrations. The museum highlights the prelude to WWII, its history and the aftermath up to our modern-day issues about liberty, democracy and human rights. Lunch on your own in Groesbeek or at the Openair Museum in Arnhem. The Dutch Open-Air Museum comprises a collection of houses, trade tools, workshops, vehicles, costumes and more from all over The Netherlands throughout the centuries. You can ride an old streetcar, wander around an old farm, schoolhouse, forge or have a go at making your own bread. Demonstrations of trades almost forgotten and the old way of live take place at the indoor and outdoor exhibits.

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 8:00am 6:30pm
- Guided visit to the National Liberation Museum in Groesbeek
- Guided visit to the Dutch Open-Air Museum in Arnhem
- · Entrance to the National Liberation Museum in Groesbeek and the Dutch Open-Air Museum in Arnhem
- All taxes

CA\$325 per person

Tour 14: Royal Burgers Zoo

Depart hotel at 9:00am and return at 6:00pm

Royal Burgers Zoo is one of the most beautiful zoos in the Netherlands. Rain or shine the many indoor and outdoor exhibits reflect a natural environment for an authentic experience. The 3 enormous themed indoor exhibits represent the desert, the ocean and the mangrove bush.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach according to the program
- Assistance by a local representative from 9:00am 6:00pm
- Entrance to Royal Burgers Zoo in Arnhem
- All taxes

CA\$300 per person

Tour 15: Private Dutch Lunch Cruise

Depart hotel at 11:30am and return at 3:00pm

From your hotel you will be transferred to the cruise dock for a 2-hour private lunch cruise through the canals of Amsterdam. Whilst looking at the beautiful surroundings you will be served a 2-course lunch consisting of mustard soup with a variety of sandwiches. Beer, wine and sodas are unlimited, and coffee and tea will be served after lunch. After the cruise you will be transferred back to your hotel or you can choose to explore Amsterdam on your own.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach for transfer between hotel and cruise dock
- Assistance by a local representative from 11:30am 3:00pm
- · Canal Lunch cruise including 2 course lunch with unlimited wine, beer and soda
- Private boat
- Coffee or tea at the end of lunch
- All taxes

CA\$250 per person

Tour 16: Private High Tea Cruise

Depart hotel at 2:30pm and return at 6:00pm

From your hotel you will be transferred to the cruise dock for a 2-hour private High Tea cruise through the canals of Amsterdam. Whilst looking at the beautiful surroundings you will be served a High Tea with sweet and savory treats such as finger sandwiches, scones with clotted cream and jams, quiche, cookies, chocolates and tea. Beer, wine and sodas are unlimited during the cruise. After the cruise you will be transferred back to your hotel or you can choose to explore Amsterdam on your own.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach for transfer between hotel and cruise dock
- Assistance by a local representative from 2:30pm 6:00pm
- High Tea Canal cruise including High Tea meal with tea
- Unlimited wine, beer and soda
- Private boat
- All taxes

CA\$300 per person

Tour 17: Private Dinner Cruise

Depart hotel at 6:30pm and return at 10:00pm

From your hotel you will be transferred to the cruise dock for a 2-hour private dinner cruise through the canals of Amsterdam. Whilst looking at the beautiful surroundings you will be served a 3-course meal with a choice of two mains (pre-selected). Beer, wine and sodas are unlimited, and coffee or tea will be served after the meal with some treats. After the tour you will be transferred back to the hotel.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach for transfer between hotel and cruise dock
- Assistance by a local representative from 6:30pm 10:00pm
- Canal Dinner Cruise including 3-course meal with choice of 2 mains
- Unlimited wine, beer and soda
- Coffee or tea served with a chocolate, a Stroopwafel and peppermints
- Main course pre-selection, if choice is made on the spot please add 00 per person
- Private boat
- All taxes

CA\$350 per person

Tour 18: Private Architecture Cruise

Depart hotel at 8:30am and return at 2:00pm

From your hotel you will be transferred to the cruise dock for a 4-hour cruise through the canals of Amsterdam and the IJ River. During this tour you get an in-depth explanation of the architecture of Amsterdam. You will see old buildings, new buildings and restored industrial buildings which now serve a different purpose than their original purpose. During the tour you can stop for a drink on your own. After the tour you will be transferred back to your hotel or you can choose to explore Amsterdam on your own.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach for transfer between hotel and cruise dock
- Assistance by a local representative from 8:30am 2:00pm
- 4-hour private canal boat hire
- Architectural guide for 4-hours during the boat tour
- All taxes

CA\$400 per person

Tour 19: Private Art & Dinner Tour

Depart hotel at 5:30pm and return between 10:30 - 11:00pm

From your hotel you will be transferred to the Van Loon Museum for dinner and a private after-hours guided tour. The Van Loon Museum is a Patrician House on the canal which reflects the rich history of Amsterdam. It was first inhabited by Ferdinand Bol, a student of Rembrandt, and later by the Van Loon Family. Willem Van Loon was co-founder of the VOC Trade Company when trade with the far east exploded and led Amsterdam into the Golden Age. Descendants of this family held prominent positions and moved in royal circles. The house reflects the family history and their way of living in paintings, furniture and richly decorated rooms. You will dine in style and receive a guided tour of the museum. After the tour you will be transferred back to your hotel.

Inclusions:

- Deluxe coach for transfer between hotel and Museum
- Assistance by a local representative from 5:30pm 11:00pm
- 3-course Dinner including wine package and coffee or tea
- Private guided tour of the Van Loon Museum
- Entrance to the Museum
- All taxes

CA\$850 per person

Tour 20: Small Group Art Tour

Depart hotel at 8:30am and return at 1:30pm

From your hotel you will be transferred to the museum of your choice: The Van Gogh Museum or the Rijksmuseum. Here an expert guide will take you on a small group in-depth tour of some of the collection. This tour is set up for guests who are especially interested in the details of the art and its creators. After the tour you will be transferred back to your hotel.

- Deluxe coach for transfer between hotel and museum
- Assistance by a local representative from 8:30am 1:30pm
- Private 2-hour guided group tour with an expert guide
- Entrance to the museum of choice
- All taxes

CA\$455 per person

Details

Group size: minimum 20

Dates:

2022 dates tba

Tour Pricing:

Tour prices start at CA\$225. All pricing is per person, in CA\$, based on a minimum of 20 people.

Please contact us for more information and to book these tours or other WSO tours.

Trip Code:

20-0451038

INCLUDED

• See individual tours for inclusions

NOT INCLUDED

- Items not mentioned in the tour itinerary
- Items of a personal nature

TOUR NOTES

Contact Natalie Rozière Hébert (natalie@gctravel.ca / 204.989.9343) for more information.

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