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## **Belgium & Holland**

Bruges to Amsterdam Aboard *Magnifique III*

With Lewis Edgers, Professor of Civil and  
Environmental Engineering, Emeritus

**May 3–11, 2019**

# CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

**CRUISE** aboard the new *Magnifique III*, an intimate Dutch-style boutique riverboat with 20 comfortable cabins

**DISCOVER** the hidden gems of Bruges, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

**TASTE** artisanal cheeses at the world-famous Gouda market

**ADMIRE** works by Rubens, Michelangelo, Anthony van Dyck, Hans Memling, the van Eyck brothers, and other masters

**EXPERIENCE** the Low Countries as the locals do, on optional cycling tours along gentle, even terrain

## TRAVELING WITH YOU



**Lewis Edgers** is Professor Emeritus of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Tufts University. A professional engineer and Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Professor Edgers is especially concerned with the relationship between people and their environment, natural hazards, and energy systems. On this program he will examine Dutch experiences with land reclamation, ocean storm barriers, and resiliency

responses to climate change. Professor Edgers earned his BS in Civil Engineering from Tufts and his M.S. and Ph.D from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has lived in Norway for extensive periods since 1980.



**Janie Vanpée**, Professor of French Studies at Smith College, was born in Belgium and has a B.A. from Smith and Ph.D from Yale. She has been a member of the Smith College French department since 1985 and the comparative literature program since 1987. Professor Vanpée's scholarly work focuses on problems of representation in 18th-century literature. Lately, she has moved in the direction of the digital humanities. Professor Vanpée is

deeply committed to Smith's international outreach and has twice directed the JYA program in Paris. As the Elizabeth Mugar Eveillard '69 Faculty Director of the Lewis Global Studies Center for the past three years, she has been involved in the Center's signature programs.



Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends of Tufts,

Please join us next spring on a cultural cruise through the meandering waterways of the Low Countries. For this special opportunity we have partnered with Smith College and MIT and will be cruising with like-minded travelers aboard *Magnifique III*, a boutique riverboat ideal for viewing the region's charming landscapes and historic sites. Together, we will journey from the medieval city of Bruges in Belgium to the Dutch capital of Amsterdam.

We are delighted that Lewis Edgers, Professor Emeritus from the School of Engineering at Tufts, will join us on this cruise as a faculty leader. He holds a BS in Civil Engineering from Tufts and his MS and PhD from MIT. Also traveling with us aboard *Magnifique III* will be Janie Vanpée, a Belgian native and Professor of French Studies at Smith College.

Embark in Bruges, a center of medieval trade and home to awe-inspiring buildings and artworks. Call at Ghent, one of the liveliest cities of the Middle Ages; Dendermonde, known for its spectacular Flemish buildings; and Antwerp, where you will visit the Rubens House, containing some of the painter's most famous works.

In the Netherlands, wander historic Dordrecht, stopping to see the Great Church, the Dordrecht Museum, and a medieval monastery. In picturesque Kinderdijk, we will view fields of windmills and sample artisanal cheeses at the world-famous Gouda market. Disembark in Amsterdam to tour the Rijksmuseum, the State Treasury of Dutch paintings.

This delightful journey also provides numerous opportunities for cycling, walking, or cruising to view the historic sites and serene landscapes of the region. An optional postlude in Amsterdam includes a visit to the colorful Keukenhof Gardens.

Harbour House, Antwerp



We hope to welcome you on this voyage.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Ann R. Hunt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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### FRIDAY, MAY 3: DEPARTURE

Depart on an overnight flight to Brussels, Belgium.

### SATURDAY, MAY 4: BRUSSELS / BRUGES, BELGIUM

Arrive in Brussels and transfer to Bruges. Enjoy time in this UNESCO-listed city of sublime architecture and art. Visit the Hans Memling collection and the Groeninge Museum, and see Michelangelo's *Madonna & Child* in the Church of Our Lady. Transfer to *Magnifique III* and settle into your cabin. Tonight, the captain hosts a welcome reception and dinner. R,D

### SUNDAY, MAY 5: BRUGES / GHENT, BELGIUM

This morning cruise or cycle past canals and small villages en route to Ghent. Pause to watch the operation of the "Eye," Belgium's giant lock system, and picnic alongside the River Lys. In the afternoon a guided walking tour of Ghent will reveal the fascinating history of this lively city, which in the Middle Ages was one of the largest and wealthiest in Europe. B,L,D

### MONDAY, MAY 6: DENDERMONDE / SINT-AMANDS, BELGIUM

Cruise along the Scheldt River to Dendermonde, a small city known for its magnificent Flemish buildings. Those who wish may continue by bicycle from Dendermonde to Sint-Amands. Alternatively, you may remain in Dendermonde to visit the Church of Our Lady, home to two Van Dyck paintings and a 12th-century baptismal font of Tournai stone, and to see the medieval Cloth Hall on Market Square. Join *Magnifique III* in Sint-Amands and enjoy an evening concert on board. B,L,D

### TUESDAY, MAY 7: ANTWERP, BELGIUM

Step ashore in Antwerp to visit the newly renovated Central Station, one of the most beautiful rail stations in Europe, and view the restored Harbour House, designed by Zaha Hadid. Continue to the 17th-century Rubens House to see some of the Flemish painter's famous works. Get a taste of Antwerp by experiencing Belgium's celebrated beer at a local tavern. B,L,D

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 8: ANTWERP / DORDRECHT, HOLLAND

View the impressive Kreekrak lock system, before biking from Tholen towards Willemstad; or go ashore to visit Dordrecht, one of the Netherlands' oldest cities and best discovered on foot. Walk past its historic harbors, ancient warehouses, and busy merchant streets. Visit the Great Church, the Dordrecht Museum, and the 13th-century Augustine monastery. *Magnifique III* remains docked in Dordrecht overnight. B,L,D



Madonna & Child, Bruges, © youngie42



Central Station, Antwerp, photo by Daniel Mennerich

### THURSDAY, MAY 9: DORDRECHT / VIANEN, HOLLAND

This morning cruise to Kinderdijk to see the impressive windmills at this UNESCO-designated site. Drive to the Gouda Cheese Market for tastings and talks with local producers. Those who wish to may cycle from Kinderdijk before reuniting with the rest of the group and the ship in Schoonhoven. Follow the Lek River to Vianen and after dinner, take an evening walk in this historic city, once home to American Revolutionary hero the Marquis de Lafayette.

B,L,D

### FRIDAY, MAY 10: VIANEN / AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND

Today you may choose to pedal along the Vecht River and later join fellow participants in Amsterdam for a canal cruise through this historic city. In the afternoon, visit the Rijksmuseum, the State Treasury of Dutch paintings. Rejoin *Magnifique III* and celebrate a memorable voyage at tonight's farewell dinner.

B,L,D

### SATURDAY, MAY 11: AMSTERDAM / RETURN

Disembark after breakfast and transfer to the airport for flights home.

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**An optional postlude in Amsterdam featuring a visit to the Keukenhof Gardens is offered from May 11 to 13.**

*This itinerary is subject to change at the discretion of Tuft University and Arrangements Abroad. For complete details, please carefully read the terms and conditions at [www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms](http://www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms).*



Vianen

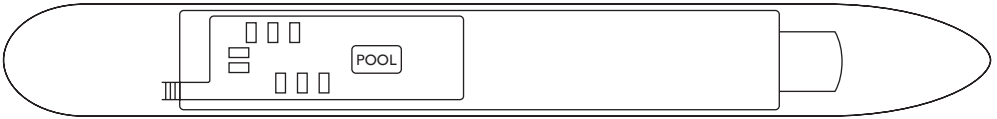


Amsterdam

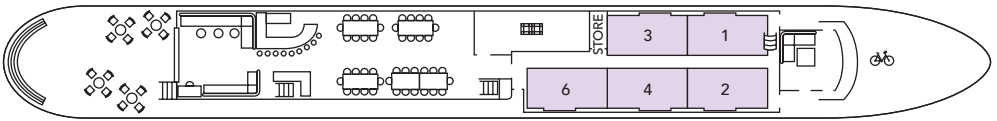


## MAGNIFIQUE III

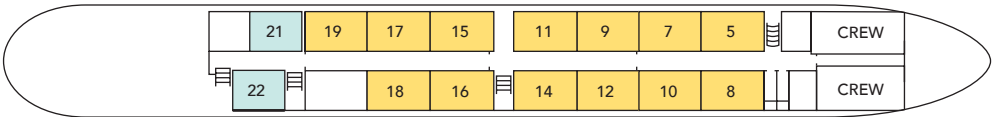
### TOP DECK



### UPPER DECK



### LOWER DECK



Built in the style of Holland's traditional river barges, *Magnifique III* made her premier voyage in the spring of 2018, sailing under the Dutch flag. All of her 20 cabins and suites feature individually regulated air conditioning and flat-screen satellite TV. The Upper Deck has a spacious salon that combines a restaurant, bar, and lounge. Large windows open onto the partially covered sun deck. The top deck features a whirlpool/Jacuzzi and deck chairs for relaxing. ■

### CRUISE RATES

(Per Person)

Cabins	Decks	Double Rates	Single Rates
21, 22	Lower Deck	—	\$6,999
Single cabin. One twin bed with portholes			
5, 7 to 12, 14 to 19	Lower Deck	\$4,999	Inquire
Twin beds with portholes			
1 to 4, 6	Upper Deck	\$6,999	Inquire
Suites, twin beds, small sitting area, French balcony with floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors			

### RATES INCLUDE

- Seven nights cabin accommodations aboard *Magnifique III*
- All meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner); bottled water and coffee/tea with all meals; wine and beer with lunches and dinners
- Use of bikes provided by *Magnifique III*
- Airport/pier/airport group transfers for all participants on suggested flights
- Enrichment program of lectures and special events
- Escorted sightseeing, transportation, and entrance fees for all included visits
- Taxes and service charges; gratuities to guides and drivers
- Customary shipboard gratuities

**NOT INCLUDED IN RATES** International airfare; passport fees; meals not specified; personal items and expenses; airport transfers other than for those on suggested flights; trip insurance; optional Amsterdam postlude; luggage in excess of one suitcase; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.



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#### ACCOMMODATIONS

Magnifique III cabin preference (1) (2)

I wish to share a cabin with

#### OPTIONAL POSTLUDE

☐ I/We wish to join the optional postlude in Amsterdam

Hotel room preference ☐ One bed ☐ Two beds ☐ Single

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