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# East Frisian and the Netherlands

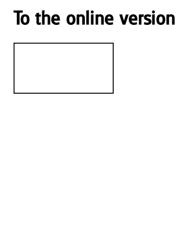
Bike tour in Germany and Netherlands

## Cycling in the East Frisian and the Netherlands

East Frisia and Holland are very well known as being ideal cycle territories. Green plains, canals, wooded hills, dykes, the sea and lively little towns are characteristic for this country. Enjoy the tranquility and the local hospitality and immerse into seemingly endless countryside. Culture and tradition are part of daily life. The route crosses the border to lively town Groningen, the river-boats of Dollart of Delfzijl, to Ditzum. You cycle past stately windmills and white drawbridges. Enjoy a cycle tour through the unique scenery along the North Sea.

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# **Itinerary**

### Day 1 Individual arrival to Emden

Individual arrival in Emden. In the late afternoon you will have your information meeting and the bike handover (if booked). The seaport is the home to several museum ships. If you like fish, you should try Matjes or prawns here.

Day 2 Emden – Leer approx. 35 km

Enjoy the first ride from Emden to Petkum on beautiful paths. By ferry (not included) you reach the village of Ditzum where you should visit the fish harbour. Along the river Ems you cycle via Jemgum to Leer. Discover the beautiful and old city centre, the picturesque baroque building and the harbour.

### Day 3 Leer - Papenburg approx. 35 km



Bicycle tour through the Moormer region, the heart of the Fehn culture. Wind and range accompany you on your way to Papenburg. Papenburg is called the "Venice of the Nother". An exceptional attraction of Papenburg is the company "Meyer Werft", which build cruise ships. If you would like to visit the wharf a registration is necessary: telephone: 0049-4961-83960 or www.papenburg-tourismus.de.

### Day 4 Papenburg – Stadskanaal approx. 55 km

Immediately behind Papenburg you enter the Netherlands, province Groningen. After a couple of kilometres visit the old, star-formed border fortress Bourtange from the 16th century. Then you cycle through fertile marshes to Stadskanaal, past huge farms and renovated old locks.

### Day 5 Stadskanaal – Groningen approx. 45 km

Solitary cycle path through dense forests, heather, moor and peat you cycle through province Drenthe. You cycle through idyllic villages to Ziudlaren with splendid Saxon farmhouses and late-Romanesque church. Only a brief distance along the large continental-lake Paterswoldsemeer and you reach the city Groningen.

Day 6 Groningen – Delfzijl approx. 60 km

Groningen is a lively centre in the North-East of the Netherland and is well worth a visit, before you set off to the North. Here you are soon embraced by quietude and solitariness. Near Uithuizen you find the most beautiful fortress of the region Groningen, Menkemaburg. Along the dyke you cycle to Delfzijl.

Day 7 Delfzijl – Emden approx. 20 – 50 km

Option 1: (Arrival everyday): Cycle tour to Delfzijl along the Dollart. From Ditzum to Petkum by ferry and cycle tour to Emden (approx. 50 km)

Option 2: (only on Sunday arrival): From Delfzijl along the Dollart to Emden-Knock by ferry and cycle tour to Emden. (approx. 20 – 50 km)

Day 8 Departure

Individual Departure or additional overnight.

## The route

East Frisia and the Netherlands are ideal countrysides for cycle tours. All routes are flat! You cycle on asphalted or plastered country lanes, sometimes on minor roads. This road is perfectly suited for beginners or groups.

### > Explore the area on Google Maps



### Prices and events

Place of arrival: Emden

Season 1

arrival sunday

21.04.2024 - 04.05.2024 |

Season 2

05.05.2024 - 18.05.2024 | 20.09.2024 - 29.09.2024 | Season 3

19.05.2024 - 19.09.2024 | arrival sunday

arrival sunday

East Frisia and Netherlands, 8 days, cat. X, DE-FEREE-08X

Base price 729.00 769.00 819.00

Surcharge single room 219.00 219.00 219.00

#### Sustainability with Rückenwind!

Help us to achieve greater sustainability. If you choose to use the digital route book and forgo the printed version you will help us to reduce our environmental impact and we'll give you a discount of 20 Euro per room as a thank you.

# **Additional nights**

Place of arrival: Emden

 Season 1
 Season 2

 Apr 21, 2024 - May 4,
 May 5, 2024 - May 18, 2024 |

 2024 |
 Sep 20, 2024 - Sep 29, 2024 |

 arrival sunday
 arrival sunday

Season 3

May 19, 2024 - Sep 19, 2024 |

arrival sunday

Emden			
Double room p. P.	79.00	79.00	79.00
Surcharge single room	40.00	40.00	40.00

## Our bookable bikes

Price

21-gear unisex	99.00
21-gear gents	99.00
7-gear unisex	99.00
Rental bike PLUS	179.00
Electric bike	259.00

Prices per person in EUR

## **Services & Extras**

### Services

#### **Included Services**

- 7 nights as described
- Breakfast
- Personal tour information on site (DE/EN)
- Carefully prepared itinerary
- Detailed travel documents, 1x per room (DE/EN)
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Navigation app and GPS data available
- Rental bike insurance
- 7-days-service-hotline

#### Services not included

- Arrival and departure
- costs for parking
- city tax
- transfers
- Ferry Petkum-Ditzum
- Ferry Delfzijl Emden
- optional sightseeing's
- city maps
- Travel Insurance and costs of the private requirements.

### **Extras**

#### **Parking**

Public parking garage in Emden approx.  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\mathfrak{C}}}$  35,- per week. Public parking area near the starting hotel, free of charge.

#### Note

The ferry from Delfzijl to Emden operates every Wednesday, Friday and Saturday in the months May to August, irregularly in September. Departure from Delfzijl around 10:50 am and 4:50 pm, trip duration approx. 1h 15 minutes. Please contact us in good time before your arrival or www.dollard-route.de. Cycling distance from Emden harbor to your hotel approx. 4 km. All ferry crossings are not included in the price.

### Hotels

During the trip you will be accommodated in a combination of comfort rooms in typical inns in a range of 3 and 4 star categories with ensuite facilities.

### **Important Notes**

Further important information according to the package travel law can be found here!

# **Contact & booking**

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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### **Book now**

