

Language and technology tour

for scholars



27 September – 9 October 2023

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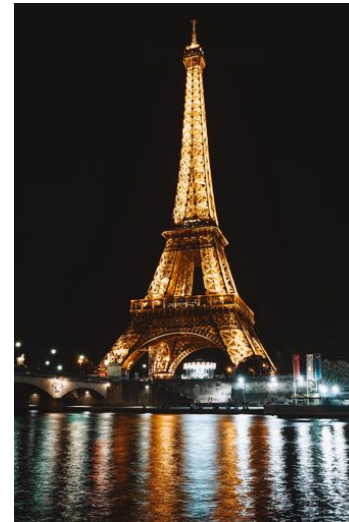


13 FANTASTIC DAYS

The price includes the following: plane tickets, airport taxes, accommodation, breakfast each day, most of the dinners, transport in Europe, and some excursions.

TOUR PROGRAMME

Day 1 – This afternoon we depart from OR Tambo International Airport or Cape Town International Airport and enjoy dinner on board.



Day 2 – We arrive in Paris just after breakfast. Our luxury air-conditioned bus waits at the airport and immediately departs to the iconic artists' neighbourhood, Montmartre. From the exquisite Sacré Coeur one has an unobstructed view of the city.



Day 3 – Today we explore Paris city centre with the award-winning writer Marita van der Vyver. The Notre Dame, one of the finest examples of French Gothic architecture; the Opera House, and the iconic Louvre are just a few attractions that await us. The Eiffel Tower is a spectacular sight in the evening and we will have the opportunity to visit this iconic landmark.



Day 4 – Today we are only having fun. Right after breakfast we're off to Disneyland where we are going to party all day.

Day 5 – Our journey northwards commences early this morning. We travel through the beautiful French countryside before we cross the border to Belgium. For the next two nights we'll stay in the university town of Ghent. Today we visit the Poetry Centre, home to a vast collection of Afrikaans poetry. After this we get an opportunity to go on a shopping spree in Ghent.



Day 6 – This morning we visit Ghent University and the Ghent Centre for Afrikaans and the Study of South Africa. During the afternoon we explore the picturesque Bruges. We visit the chocolate museum where we sample the most delicious Belgian chocolate. A canal cruise is an option we might want to explore, and when hunger strikes we can feast on delicious croquettes.

Day 7 – We bid Ghent farewell today and travel northwards to Antwerp, the city of diamonds, and the fashion mecca of Northern Europe. Here we are joined by professor Gerhard van Huyssteen. A fellow South African living here will show us all the interesting places.

Day 8 – This morning we depart for Brussels, the administrative headquarters of the European Union, as well as the capital, political, economic and cultural centre of Belgium. We visit the Grote Markt where we can enjoy the most delicious waffles, and the Atomium, regarded as the most bizarre building in Europe. Nine stainless steel spheres are interconnected and represent an iron crystal magnified 165 billion times. The structure is 102 metres high. Back in Antwerp you'll have the opportunity to do some shopping and explore the area on your own.



Day 9 – Today we travel to the Netherlands. We visit the Oosterschelde and Deltapark Neeltje Jans. Then we sail to the largest island in the Netherlands for a demonstration of how engineering ingenuity effectively manages the country's water systems and flood barriers. We spend the night in Delft, famous for its beautiful blue and white porcelain.

Day 10 – After breakfast we depart to the Dutch Language Union in The Hague, where we'll talk to Professor Ingrid Glorie about the Festival voor het Afrikaans which will be presented in the Netherlands again in 2023. We continue our travels to the student city of Leiden. Here, among other things, we visit the Dutch Language Institute at Leiden University.

Day 11 – We spend today in Amsterdam. Zaanse Schans with its beautiful wooden houses, windmills and craft shops are on the programme. Here we'll learn about Cornelis Corneliszoon's patent that completely changed the shipping industry. Afterwards we travel to the city centre where we visit the royal palace, Zuid-Afrikahuis and the Meertens Institute. Later we take a canal cruise and get the opportunity to see Amsterdam from another angle.



Day 12 – The last day of our tour! First, we visit the quaint fishing village of Volendam with its beautiful boats. At a cheese factory we will taste different cheeses and find out how each is made, and at a clog factory we will see how clogs were originally made. Our tour concludes with a visit to Muiden Castle, one of the oldest and best-preserved castles in the Netherlands, featured in many movies. Early this evening we embark on our flight from Schiphol.

Day 13 – When we arrive at OR Tambo International Airport we are exhausted after an exciting and unforgettable tour.

Payment

A deposit of R10,000 per person secures your place on the tour. The outstanding balance can be paid over a period of two months before our departure.

Banking details

Bank: FNB

Account Name: Tienie Jonker Toere

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