

DUTCH ORGAN TOUR 2026: The North of the Netherlands, Friesland and North-Holland

October 5 to 10, 2026

Join this magnificent organ tour to some of the most beautiful historical organs in the Northern parts of the Netherlands, Friesland and North Holland. The organs will be demonstrated by professional organists who gives also short recitals. On most organs tour participants will have the opportunity to play if they wish. The price includes 5 nights with breakfast in the new Fletcher hotel Marknesse, three dinners and all the transport during the tour in comfortable busses.

The provisional itinerary in a nutshell:

Monday October 5: Travel from Schiphol to the hotel Marknesse and included welcome diner. Train passengers will be picked-up at Lelystad station.

Tuesday October 6: After breakfast visit to the province of Friesland. We start in the small village of Stavoren on the coast of the former Southsea. Here in the village church an organ was build by Father and Son Meyes in 1785. After Stavoren we drive through the beautiful province to Workum. In this pitoresque small town we find an organ from 1697, beautifully restored by Flentrop. We end the day in Bolsward, and visit the famous Hinsz-organ from 1782. After this organ, diner possibility in Bolsward.

Wednesday October 7: On this day again Friesland. First the village of Langweer. In the village church an early van Dam organ from 1784. After lunch we visit the village church of Reard. In this church we find one of the most beautiful organs of Friesland, build by Hillebrand in 1816. The last organ today is that in the Church of Joure, a "new" but beautiful instrument from Jurgen Ahrend, build in 1978. From here we drive back to the hotel for an included diner.

Thursday October 8: Today we go to the province of North Holland. The first stop is in the small, old but very pitoresque city of Monnickendam. This instrument was built in 1780 by Gerstenhauer in an early neo-gotique case. The next organ is in the city of Purmerend. Here we visit the Garrels organ from 1742. For the last organ from this day we drive to Enkhuizen, to the Westerkerk. Here an organ was build in 1549, from which only the case survives. The present organ is build by Verschueren in fases and was finished recently. We stay in Enkhuizen for a diner possibility.

Friday October 9: The last day we go to three organs in the province of Gelderland and Overijssel: we start in Hattem with one of the oldest organs in Holland from, originally, 1550, with mean tone temperament. There is also a Flentrop organ in an older Belgian case (from Waterloo), build in French Baroque style. The next organ is situated in Harderwijk and build by Bätz in 1827. We end this day in Kampen, this time in the Broederkerk with a beautiful organ, in 1984 rebuild by van Vulpen with pipes from four centuries. We end the tour with a included diner in the hotel.

Saturday October 10: After breakfast, we drive to Ouderkerk aan de Amstel, not far from Schiphol, for a last farewell recital in the St. Urbanuskerk, on the beautiful Vollebregt organ from 1878. Then we go to Schiphol or train station for the journey home, ending a stimulating week which some of the most beautiful and famous organs in this region.



Workum



Bolsward



Raerd



Ouderkerk aan de Amstel



Enkhuizen



Monnickendam



Kampen

Included in the price are:

- 5 nights B&B in the mentioned hotel (with 2 sharing a room).
- Dinners on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening.
- Transport within Holland during the tour.
- Visits to all the organs, demonstrations and recitals etc.
- Illustrated booklet of all the churches and organs visited.

Maximum number of participants: 27 with a maximum of ca. 10 players for sufficiënt playing time!

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Tour members will be required to make their own way to Holland, where they will be met at and returned to Schiphol airport or train station.

Not Included:

- Travel to and from Amsterdam Schiphol airport or train station. (if necessary, travel arrangements will be made individually)
- Meals, other than breakfasts on all days and dinners on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Travel and cancellation insurance etc.
- All personal expenses etc.

Price: EUR: € 1.250,00 Single room supplement EUR € 125,00

The itinerary is correct at time of publication and every effort will be made to keep to the schedule, but the organisers reserve the right to change the itinerary should circumstances dictate.