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Living and breathing one of the most historical monuments of women's cycling... ... with women, run by women.

> Netherlands - Belgium Luxembourg - France

9 nights & 9 days of riding viewing all 8 stages

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# WELCOME TO ROTTERDAM Le Tour de France Femmes

It didn't take long for the Tour de France Femmes avec Zwift to become a world-class event. The first two editions saw Annemiek van Vleuten (2022) and Demi Vollering (2023) crowned as champions, their successes offering a very Dutch flavour to this newly established and most eagerly awaited of stage races.

The Dutch cities of Rotterdam, The Hague, Dordrecht & Valkenburg are therefore very proud to be the first foreign locations to host the Tour de France Femmes avec Zwift. The Dutch have years of experience when it comes to organising emblematic international sporting events, including the Grand Départ of the men's 2010 Tour de France, which attracted hundreds of thousands of spectators and had a fantastic atmosphere.



# **PINARELLO BIKES**

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Travelling overseas with your bike can be stressful, hence all guests are welcome to ride one of our *beautiful* Pinarello fleet whilst on tour. \*

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Our fleet includes:

- DOGMA F (ridden by Team Ineos)
- The responsive F Series
- The revolutionary X Series.

All our bikes include insurance.

\*Note: this service is very popular, hence availability / size / model cannot always be guaranteed.

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#### PICK-UP & TRANSFER

# **Rotterdam, Netherlands**

# 10/11/12 August 2024

Our staff will greet you at either the The Hague Airport or Rotterdam Centraal train station, whereby you will be transferred to our hotel where you shall reside for three nights. Once all guests are present, introductions and a Tour Briefing will be conducted, along with a small ride to make sure all guests are comfortable on their bikes.

The 2024 Tour de France Femmes avec Zwift is not only a bike race, it's a celebration of women's cycling & sport. The cities & towns of Rotterdam, The Hague, Dordrecht and the Valkenburg are well and truly excited to be welcoming the world's longest female road race! We will be there to witness this momentous occasion together.

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#### Stage 1: 12 Aug 2024

Today's route will start in the Museumpark, next to the Depot Boijmans Van Beuningen, where it will then pass through the city centre & along the famous Coolsingel and the Witte de Withstraat.

Leaving the city, the course flows through some stunning Dutch lowlands via Schiedam, Vlaardingen and Rozenburg, then heading for Voorne-Putten, before returning to Maassluis after a lap around the island. It is then at the Westland where the coastal wind could play havoc on the peloton!

The stage's final kilometres will take place in The Hague before the finish in Kijkduin, at the foot of the dunes and beach.

The group can ride the entire route or part, then choose to see the Stage start or finish.

#### Stage 2:13 Aug 2024

After the start on the Energieplein, the peloton will exit the city of Dordrecht via the Merwedebrug and enter Papendrecht for a lap through the polders of the Alblasserwaard, where the wind could lead to breaks in the peloton - be sure to watch out for the world-famous windmills of Kinderdijk.

Just outside of Rotterdam via Alblasserdam, Ridderkerk and Barendrecht, the route heads to the southern outskirts of the city. When reaching Rhoon, the peloton has 15 km to reach the city centre of Rotterdam via Zuid, Koninginnebrug and Willemsbrug before turning onto the Maas Boulevard for the final kilometre into the Boompjes finish line at the foot of the Erasmus Bridge.

The group can choose to ride the route in both directions or transfer to Dordrecht to ride the route into Rotterdam.

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#### Stage 3 : 13 Aug 2024

The Time Trial course is made for the lovers of speed with many long, straight stretches and only a handful of bends. The start & finish lines are at the foot of the Erasmus Bridge. The first 3 km takes riders over the Schiedamsedijk & the Coolsingel, reaching the Hofplein roundabout at top speed. The riders then take on a series of bridges - Railway Harbour Bridge, Inner Harbour Bridge, Queen's Bridge and Willems Bridge. The final kilometre runs along the waters of the New Meuse (Nieuwe Maas) to the finish line on the Boompjes! It will be fast!

Note: depending on time and weather, we may head direct to Valkenburg to enjoy some time in the thermals!

# Valkenburg, Netherlands

### Stage 4: 14 Aug 2024

After an evening in Valkenburg, the group can set out to ride the entire stage route (or parts).

Today's route is a challenging 122 km course - it combines the difficult short sharp climbs of the Amstel Gold Race (Geulhemmerberg and Bemelerberg twice, & the Cauberg) and soon afterwards, the final three climbs featured in the Liège-Bastogne-Liège (Côte de la Redoute, Côte des Forges and Côte de la Roche-aux-Faucons).

Together we will enjoy an emotional stage finish in the historical cycling town of Liège, after which we will transfer to Bastogne for the evening.

# Bastogne, Belgium

# Stage 5: 15 Aug 2024

After a big day on the road and evening in Bastogne, the group can choose to ride in the morning before, or in the afternoon proceeding the Stage 5 start.

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Enjoy the atmosphere of a stage start area as you mingle with the pro's and supporting staff before the race gets underway.

Stage 5 is undulating (featuring more than 2,000m of vertical gain) and with the regular changes of direction, it should produce a dynamic display of tactics within the peloton. Punchy riders will relish this test, especially the finish, which will be located in front of the Amnéville thermal baths located at top of a challenging final kilometre climb!

A transfer to our château for the evening which will place us close to tomorrow's route.

#### Stage 6: 16 Aug 2024

Departing or transferring from our château, we shall enter the Stage 6 route at a town called Geney, which is at the 73 km mark. From here the group will ride to the 145 km mark on the top of Côte des Fins. Prepare for party mode as the peloton zooms by! We are on the magnificent Jura massif which divides Switzerland & France peaking at 1750 m asl and covering an area of 22,686 km<sup>2</sup>

Once the road clears we will transfer to Annecy, well-known for the beauty of its harmonious landscapes & fresh lake water! Be sure to discover!





# Stage 7: 17 Aug 2024

Stage 7 is the longest stage this year, beginning with a number of short n' sharp climbs followed by a long haul up the Col de la Croix de la Serra (12km at 5.1%).

The group can choose to join the route somewhere between Frangy & Allonzier-la-Caille, riding all the way to Thônes and then up the steep Chinaillon (7km, 5.1%) at Le-Grand-Bornand to view the stage finish.

We then transfer close to the base of Col du Glandon for the final stage!

# Alpe d'Huez

### Stage 8: 18 August 2024

This is it! The day we have all been waiting for!

An epic ride for the pro's, an epic ride for our guests and what a double it will be !

A truly beautiful mountain stage beginning in Le-Grand-Bornand making its way over some smaller climbs such as Col du Marais and Col de Tamié before arriving in Frontenex for a fast & relatively flat 40km to Saint-Étienne-de-Cuines.

It is here that the group will begin their ride today and will want fresh legs to tackle the highest point of this third edition of the Tour de France Femmes avec Zwift, - the Col du Glandon (1,924m) !

You and the peloton will tackle Glandon via its hardest side (19.7km at 7.2%) before the grand finale on the mythical 21 hairpins of Alpe d'Huez, where the 2024 champion is destined to emerge.

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Here we will have set-up camp to enjoy what is going to an incredible finish to an incredible race

A chance for celebration as you witness yet another milestone in women's cycling and sport!



# Au revoir

# 19 August 2024

Unfortunately all good things have to come to an end. Your guides will transfer you to Grenoble where there is an Airport and major Train station.

# INCLUSIONS

- 9 x nights accommodation in 3 & 4 star hotels
- Support Van & Driver with group on all rides
- Tour Guide riding with group on all rides
- Healthy breakfasts at all hotels
- Lunches & Snacks from van during rides
- 9 x dinners (a la carte) excl. wine
- Pinarello Bike usage including Insurance
- Laundry (3) service including mesh bags
- Custom day to carry jackets etc.
- Special gift

#### PRICING

TWIN SHARE / DOUBLE ROOM: From Euro 5000 per person

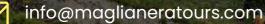
SINGLE ROOM: From Euro 5600 per person

# **Bookings & Enquiries**

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