

Kiel voyage

<i>Embark:</i>	<i>Monday 11th of June 2012 10:00 hours, Rotterdam (NL)</i>
<i>Disembark:</i>	<i>Friday 15th of June 2012 10:00 hours, Kiel (DE)</i>
<i>Price:</i>	<i>€ 355</i> <i>Price per person, excl. € 125 full board</i> <i>(Three meals a day, snacks, coffee, tea, milk/buttermilk and water during meals)</i>
<i>Transfer:</i>	<i>Approx. € 80 to be arranged by the guest*</i>

Description of the voyage

On Monday June 11 we expect you onboard around 10:00 hours. The 'Oosterschelde' will be moored in the Veerhaven in Rotterdam. The coffee will be ready, also for family and friends who have accompanied you. There is enough time to show them the ship. The captain will welcome all guests. As soon as everybody is onboard he will explain all the (safety)rules and will go through the plans for the voyage. We will leave straight away. Across the 'Nieuwe Maas' and the 'Nieuwe Waterweg' we sail to the North Sea. We will follow the Dutch coast in northeast direction. Every guest will take part in the watches and we ask everyone to participate in navigation, sail handling, lookout, etc. Of course you're not demand for you to climb in to the mast, but if you would like, you can admire the world from the yard of a Tall Ship. As soon as we pass Texel, we course in eastern direction to the 'Duitse Bocht'. We will pass the Dutch and German coastal islands. The wind is coming from the west most of the time, so with a bit of luck we will be under full sail this part of the voyage. If the wind is suitable, we might make a stop on Helgoland. We will sail in the direction of the estuary of the Elbe. It will be very adventurous to sail on this fast flowing river, with all the big ships around us. At Brünsbützel we pass the locks to the 'Nord-Ostsee Kanal, which is also known as the 'Kieler Canal'. Also on this canal, which has been dug out by hand, big seagoing vessels will pass us. Remarkable are the many bridges we pass. For example the Eisenbahnhochbrücke, which has been designed by Dr. H.C. Friedrich Voss, as have all the bridges on the canal. All the bridges are high enough for the 'Oosterschelde' to pass without any problems. Through the locks at Holtenau we arrive in the Kielerfjord the next day, where we set the sails again. The voyage will end with the arrival in Kiel on Friday afternoon. The ship will be within walking distance from the Central Station of Kiel, from which you travel back home.

General

This description is meant to give you an impression of what a voyage could look like. Depending on wind and weather conditions the travel plan could be altered, however we always try to sail as much as possible.

*** Transfer**

On this voyage you will have to arrange your transfer yourself. We advise you to travel back home by train. Deutsche Bahn (DB) sells international train tickets, which you can buy online beforehand or directly at the station.