The Spring Classics inspire reverence among cycling’s hardcore elite. They combine drama, savagery, pageantry and suffering. Join us in Belgium and Northern France to ride the famed cobbles, sip coveted Trappist beer and enjoy a VIP race experience. Tackle Flanders’ fearful sections of pavé like Oude Kwaremont and Paterberg in the Ronde van Vlaanderen Cyclo, then watch the pros battle on the same steep climbs and teeth-chattering roads. If you’re up for the test, more cobbles and treachery await at the Paris-Roubaix Challenge. This incredible 11-day experience culminates at Paris-Roubaix, with VIP seats inside the velodrome to watch as another “Hell of the North” competitor crosses the line victorious. Choose to join us for just the Tour of Flanders or Paris-Roubaix, or for the entire 11-day ultimate experience. Whatever you choose, we promise a VIP race experience.

TRIP WOWS
Experience legendary Ronde van Vlaanderen Cyclo and Paris-Roubaix Challenge the day before the pros race
Enjoy VIP exclusive viewing at the summit of famous Kwaremont where you experience the race live with a front-row seat
Enjoy premier seating at the Roubaix Vélodrome race finish
Experience a closer-than-ever roadside view of Grote Scheldeprijs classic race
Visit the Trek-Segafredo service course and see behind-the-scenes race preparations
Day 1

TODAY'S RIDE:
Bruges to Netherlands loop
Approximately 30 miles with 400 feet of climbing

TODAY'S RIDE:
Bruges to the sea loop
Approximately 40 miles with 600 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:
Your Trek Travel guides will meet you at the Pand Hotel Bruges at 10:00 AM on the first day of the trip. After your group is gathered, your Spring Classics adventure will begin as your guides introduce you to your Trek bike and ensure a perfect, comfortable fit. Enjoy lunch at a nearby brasserie or take the chance to explore Grote Markt before taking a casual ride to Netherland with the avid option to the North Sea. Tonight meet your guides for drinks and week overview before you'll explore the historic town of Bruges and indulge in a bistro meal before heading to bed early in anticipation of an incredible (albeit early) day tomorrow.

HOTEL:
The Pand Hotel

INCLUDED MEALS:
Social Hour
Day 2

TODAY’S RIDE:
Ronde van Vlaanderen Cyclo
(Flanders Citizen Ride)
Approximately 45 miles with 3,000 feet of climbing

TODAY’S RIDE:
Ronde van Vlaanderen Cyclo-Avid Option
Approximately 86 miles with 4,900 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:
Today is one of the biggest cycling events in Belgium. The Ronde Van Vlaanderen Cyclo (Flanders Citizens Ride) is a hard and increasingly popular race that attracts upwards of 15,000 participants. Today, you are one of them! It’s an early morning with a shuttle to the start in Oudenaarde. You can choose between a distance of 134km and 75km. Both courses test your mettle throughout the rolling countryside of West Flanders on the same roads where the pros will do battle tomorrow. Ride the iconic climbs and cobblestone sections of the race like Eikenberg, Oude Kwaremont, Koppenberg, Valkenberg and Paterberg with the support, encouragement and expertise of your Trek Travel guides. Triumphant and tired, enjoy a well-deserved lunch and visit the Ronde van Vlaanderen interactive museum. We will head back to the comforts of our hotel to shower and relax. Tonight you will have a chance to enjoy the evening at your leisure.

HOTEL:
The Pand Hotel

INCLUDED MEALS:
Breakfast | Lunch

Day 3

TODAY’S ACTIVITY:
VIP Live Race Viewing at Kwaremont
Tour of Flanders Pro Race

DESCRIPTION:
It’s all about race today! Get up close to the action to watch the Pros battle it out and soak up the atmosphere of this historic and festive event as you wait with anticipation for the riders to fly by. This is Belgium, and cycling is not a sport, it’s an obsession! Enjoy the spectacle from the comfort of our VIP area right on the summit of the Oude Kwaremont. This is the hill where only the best can make a difference. You will have a front-row seat, not once, not twice, but three times as the cyclists pass through and you can witness the blood, sweat and tears on their faces. A live experience you don’t want to miss. Tonight enjoy your evening in Bruges where you are on your own to explore a quaint restaurant for dinner.

HOTEL:
The Pand Hotel

INCLUDED MEALS:
Breakfast | Lunch

Day 4

TODAY’S RIDE:
Diksmuide Loop
Approximately 50 miles with 500 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:
After all the excitement of the past two days, it’s time to discover a softer side of Belgium and a chance to sample the ultimate beer! We start this morning spinning our wheels along the canal and through enchanting Belgian villages en route toward the town of Diksmuide. On our way, we’ll stop to explore the World War I heritage site of De IJzertoren before we enjoy a hearty lunch of local specialties. We’ll bike back to Bruges just on time to shower and go explore the town and its famous brewery. We will enjoy a legendary Belgian beer before we’ll dine together at a local bistro.

HOTEL:
The Pand Hotel

INCLUDED MEALS:
Breakfast | Lunch | Social Hour | Dinner
**Day 5**

**TODAY'S RIDE:**
**Bruges coastal loop**
Approximately 40 miles with 700 feet of climbing

**DESCRIPTION:**
This morning we'll cycle around Bruges and its surroundings, tracing some of the canals that have made the city famous. This afternoon, take the time to explore this unique city. Considered the Venice of the North, Bruges boasts a wide variety of museums, chocolate shops and pubs. Or you can take a boat ride along many waterways to see the city from a different perspective. Tonight, enjoy dinner of your choice in one of the local bistros.

**HOTEL:**
The Pand Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast

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**Day 6**

**TODAY'S RIDE:**
**Bruges to Terneuzen**
Approximately 40 miles with 500 feet of climbing

**TODAY'S ACTIVITY:**
**Grote Scheldeprijs race viewing**

**DESCRIPTION:**
This morning we will say goodbye to Bruges and cycle toward the start of the Scheldeprijs race. The Grote Scheldeprijs is Flanders oldest classic, dating back to 1908. The event is a race for sprinters held on 200 km of flat roads around Antwerp and includes seven cobbled sections. We'll be back fro a race viewing later in the day, but first, after a light lunch, we'll drive to Deinze to visit the Trek-Segafredo Service Course. During our private tour, you'll have a chance to see what happens behind the scenes of the Trek-Segafredo team only days before one of its biggest races. Then it's time to move to Kortrijk, a town close to the French border and your home for the second-half of the trip. Tonight is yours to explore Kortrijk for dinner.

**HOTEL:**
Park Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast | Lunch

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**Day 7**

**TODAY'S RIDE:**
**Gent-Wevelgem race loop**
Approximately 65 miles with 3,200 feet of climbing

**DESCRIPTION:**
Today you'll ride part of the historic Gent-Wevelgem racecourse. You'll surely recognize the names of some of today's climbs, including Kemmelberg or Cassellberg. Take this opportunity to test yourself on the cobbles before the Paris-Roubaix challenge on Saturday. We'll also discover the town of Ypres and its many memorials dedicated to World War I, cross the French border to get some more miles and enjoy a well-earned post-ride beer. Tonight we toast and enjoy a fantastic meal together in a local restaurant.

**HOTEL:**
Park Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast | Lunch | Social Hour | Dinner
**Day 8**

**TODAY'S RIDE:**
Kortrijk countryside ride
Approximately 40 miles with 870 feet of climbing

**DESCRIPTION:**
Prepare yourself for race lover's nirvana as you head out on your Trek bicycle today as we'll be doing a little warm-up before tomorrow. Enjoy a ride in the Flemish countryside and feel free to stop for a coffee or beer along the way. In the afternoon you may decide to hit the brand new Wellness Avenue Spa for a massage or relax in the pool. Check-in with your guide to discuss final adjustments and fine-tuning for your bike to ensure you're completely ready for tomorrow's epic event. We'll have the tires set up specifically for riding cobbles as well as extra bar tape for additional padding. Dine in the restaurant of your choice before heading to bed early in anticipation of an incredible-albeit early-day tomorrow.

**HOTEL:**
Park Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast

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**Day 9**

**TODAY'S RIDE:**
Roubaix Challenge Citizen Ride
Approximately 44 miles with 600 feet of climbing

**DESCRIPTION:**
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**HOTEL:**
Park Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

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**Day 10**

**TODAY'S ACTIVITY:**
Paris Roubaix race viewing
VIP Access to the velodrome finish

**DESCRIPTION:**
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**HOTEL:**
Park Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast | Lunch | Social Hour | Dinner
**Day 11**

**TODAY’S ACTIVITY:**
Departure

**DESCRIPTION:**
Feel free to sleep in and ease into your day with a warm pain au chocolat and café au lait. You will say farewell to your guides at 10:00 AM at Park Hotel before taking the train from Kortrijk to your final destination. Please allow adequate connection time for a flight or train to accommodate possible traffic delays.

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast

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**FLANDERS**

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**HOTEL:**
The Pand Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Social Hour

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Breakfast | Lunch
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**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast

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PARIS - ROUBAIX
**Day 1**

**TODAY'S RIDE:**
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Approximately 65 miles with 3,200 feet of climbing

**DESCRIPTION:**
Welcome to the heart of the Spring Classics! Your Trek Travel guides will meet you at the Park Hotel at 9:00 AM and introduce you to the features of your Trek bike before ensuring a comfortable fit. Then it’s time to spin your legs through the Flemish countryside with cobblestone hills and build anticipation for the riding of Paris-Roubaix. Tonight you’ll meet the rest of your travel companions and talk about the week ahead with a lively social hour followed by a fantastic meal together in a local restaurant.

**HOTEL:**
Park Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Lunch | Social Hour | Dinner

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**Day 2**

**TODAY'S RIDE:**
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**HOTEL:**
Park Hotel

**INCLUDED MEALS:**
Breakfast

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**Day 3**

**TODAY'S RIDE:**
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Approximately 90 miles with 1,700 feet of climbing

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Park Hotel

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Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner
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Paris-Roubaix race viewing
VIP Access to the velodrome finish

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Park Hotel

INCLUDED MEALS:
Breakfast | Lunch | Social Hour | Dinner

Day 5

TODAY’S ACTIVITY:
Departure

DESCRIPTION:
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INCLUDED MEALS:
Breakfast

WHAT’S INCLUDED

For us, the details matter most
Every moment of a Trek Travel bike trip has more than you could have ever dreamed of. More romance. More scenery. More choice. It’s the little additions to every Trek Travel cycling vacation that make it truly special. And that’s how we help you create more memories.

What’s Included

• 10 nights (Ultimate Experience) or 4 nights (Flanders and Paris-Roubaix) of accommodation at handpicked hotels
• Two experienced guides to provide local knowledge, support, and camaraderie
• Daily route support with both guides and our support van
• Daily breakfast, 7 lunches (Ultimate Experience) or 3 lunches (Flanders and Paris-Roubaix), 6 dinners (Ultimate Experience) or 2 dinners (Flanders and Paris-Roubaix)
• 2 social hours of drinks and hors d’oeuvres
• Ride a Trek Domane SL 7 disc with a special setup for the cobbles
• Up to three daily route options on riding days
• Snacks and drinks for each day’s ride
• Trek Travel Bontrager cycling jersey and socks to keep
• Trek-Segafredo pro team kit to keep
• Customized Road ID
• Trek Travel water bottles to keep
• Cinch sack day bag to keep
• Each bike is equipped with a Garmin Edge 1030 GPS computer, flat pack, front and rear Bontrager Flare R lights, a Bontrager saddle and pedals (Shimano clipless road pedals, Shimano clipless mountain pedals, caged or flat pedals)
• Bontrager WaveCel helmets
• All gratuities for drivers, local experts and hospitality staff
• All luggage transfers and transportation during your trip
• A personalized photobook of your trip
• Entrance fees for all activities, private tours and events

Gear

• Trek Domane SL 7 disc carbon road bike with Shimano Di2 electronic shifting
• Special setups specifically for cobbles riding including Bontrager TLR tubeless system on Bontrager RXL wheels and extra bar tape for additional padding
• Trek Travel Bontrager cycling jersey and socks to keep
• Trek-Segafredo pro team kit to keep
• Trek Travel water bottles to keep
• Shimano clipless road pedals, Shimano clipless mountain pedals, caged or flat pedals
• Bontrager WaveCel helmet
• Bontrager men's and women's specific saddles
• Bontrager front and rear Flare R lights and a flat pack
• Garmin Edge 1030 GPS computer
• Cinch sack day bag to keep
• Upgrade your bike to include carbon wheels (+$200)
• Coupon valued up to $500 off a new Trek Bicycle. Your coupon will be delivered via email prior to your trip.
• For the most comfortable ride, you may choose to bring your own pedals, saddle, and helmet on the trip. Your guides will install your gear on the first day during your bike fit.

THANK YOUR GUIDES, BY TIPPING

Gratuities for your Trek Travel guides are not included in your trip price. We recommend tipping 7.5-10% of your trip price for the guide team. Local currency is preferred and unless you want to tip separately, guides will divide tips amongst themselves. Please tip your guides at your discretion, based on their level of professionalism, guest care and service.

What's Not Included

• Airfare and transportation to and from the trip pick-up/drop-off locations
• Lodging before and after the trip
• Personal items purchased during the trip
• Optional activities not scheduled by Trek Travel
• On select trips some meals are not included. On these trips, Trek Travel invites you to explore the local cuisine at your leisure.

HOTELS

PAND HOTEL
BRUGES, BELGIUM
The Pand Hotel, an 18th century carriage house, has been converted to a 26-bedroom boutique hotel. Situated in the heart of Bruges, on a quiet street just steps away from the historic Market Place, Burg Square, the canal, museums and boutiques.

PARK HOTEL
KORTRIJK, BELGIUM
Centrally located, and recently redesigned and renovated, the Park Hotel offers a premier guest experience combining excellent facilities and superb access to the heart of Kortrijk's historic center. The chic, minimalist styling is sure to leave an impression and the attentive service, onsite bar and restaurant, and brand new fitness center and spa, ensure a comfortable and pleasant stay in this ancient Belgian city.

MEETING & DEPARTING
Before: Bruges, Belgium

Consider taking time before your trip to explore the charming city of Bruges, with its canals, stone footbridges, gabled buildings, turrets and medieval architecture. Be sure to not miss the many bistro on either of the two main squares, the "Market" and the "Burg." The Burg is home to a 14th-century masterpiece, the town hall. The city boasts numerous museums, with collections ranging from Flemish Primitives to contemporary artists and everything in between. The city is very pedestrian-friendly and you will not be disappointed with a stay here. We recommend the following accommodations for your pre-trip hotel:

**HOTEL HERITAGE BRUGES**

Perfectly situated near the Market Place, the four-star boutique Hotel Heritage Relais & Châteaux is within easy walking distance of many of the city's highlights, including the theater and shopping districts, gourmet restaurants and popular tourist attractions.

www.GrandHotelCasselbergh.com | ~$200

**GRAND HOTEL CASSELBURGH**

This luxurious hotel is situated at the heart of the historical center of Bruges with its wonderful medieval buildings and idyllic canals. It boasts its own spa and gourmet restaurant.

www.bemanos.com | ~$180

**MARTINS BRUGES**

This hotel has elegantly designed rooms and a restaurant serving authentic Brugois cuisine along with endless specialty beers on tap.

www.Martins-Hotels.com | ~$100

Meeting Time And Location: Ultimate Experience And Flanders

**Meeting Time and Location: Ultimate Experience and Flanders | Park Hotel, Bruges, Belgium**

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If you will be late for the pick-up or are going to miss it altogether, please inform your guides. You will receive an email a week before the trip starts with their names and contact details. If you cannot reach them, please call our first hotel, The Pand Hotel (+32 50 34 06 66), and leave a message with your expected arrival time and contact details.

**Meeting Time and Location: Paris-Roubaix | Park Hotel, Kortrijk, Belgium**

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Departing Time And Location

**Departing Time and Location: Flanders | Park Hotel, Bruges, Belgium**

You will say farewell to your guides at 12:00 PM at The Pand Hotel before you take the train from Bruges to your final destination. Please allow adequate connection time for a flight or train to accommodate possible traffic delays.

**Departing Time and Location: Ultimate Experience and Paris-Roubaix | Park Hotel, Kortrijk, Belgium**

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How To Get There

We suggest that you arrive at least one day prior to the trip start, which will enable you to adjust to the time zone and minimize the risk of missing the trip start due to flight-related delays. If you are arriving in Brussels for the Ultimate Experience and Flanders trip, we recommend that you fly into Brussels National Airport (BRU). There is frequent bus and train service from the airport to the center of Brussels where you'll need to catch a train to Bruges. The trip to Bruges from BRU takes approximately 60 minutes. A taxi to the center of Brussels will cost approximately 35 euros. For more information about connections from the airport please consult www.BrusselsAirport.be or for train information www.b-rail.be

If you are arriving in Kortrijk for the Paris-Roubaix trip, we recommend that you fly into Brussels National Airport (BRU). There is frequent bus and train service from the airport to the center of Brussels where you'll need to catch a train to Kortrijk. The trip to Kortrijk from BRU takes approximately 60 minutes. The train station in Kortrijk is located right across the street of Park Hotel. For more information about connections from the airport please consult www.BrusselsAirport.be or for train information www.b-rail.be

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www.Martins-Hotels.com | ~$100
After: Brussels, Belgium

Brussels has many charming and beautiful attractions, with deeply ornate buildings on the Grand Place and the fish-and-crustacean overdose of St. Catherine’s Square. Stroll along and stop in for a drink at one of the many bars on Place St-Géry, or max out your credit card on the trendy Rue Antoine Dansaert. We recommend the following accommodations for your post-trip hotel:

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**LE DIXSEPTIÈME**

This hotel is located in the historic center and behind the La Monnaie opera house. The hotel is in a building that dates to the 14th-century and recently underwent a total renovation. It is a beautifully traditional hotel.

www.LedixSeptieme.Be | ~$200

**HOTEL BE MANOS**

This hotel provides an unexpected and wonderful experience of Brussels. It’s part of the family-owned hotel chain Manos and is a masterpiece of neo-70’s decor, hidden behind the façade of several 19th-century mansions. Located at a stone’s throw from Brussels’ Midi station and its Eurostar terminal, it was listed in the April 2008 Condé Nast Traveler as one of the newest hot hotels in the world. It is a favorite among internationally-known artists.

www.Bemanos.com | ~$260

**THE WHITE HOTEL**

The White Hotel is ideally located in the upmarket shopping district around the avenue Louise with its luxury shops and trendy restaurants.

www.TheWhiteHotel.be | ~$115

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* Hotels listed above are local properties we love. We do not have special rates available.

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**FAQS**

**What Are The Daily Rides Like?**

- Rider Type | 3 - Active
- Average Daily Mileage | 43
- Terrain | Undulating
- Average Daily Elevation | 1,100 feet
- Total Miles | 387
- Total Elevation | 10,970 feet

Averages and totals are calculated from our “Today’s Ride” options.

The terrain is varied with rolling plains through the Flemish countryside to the challenging famed cobbled climbs of the Ronde van Vlaanderen and long stretches of cobbled roads of Paris-Roubaix. Spring Classics is best suited for our Type 3 and 4 Riders.

**What are the options for a non-rider travel companion?**

On most Trek Travel trips, we offer non-riding options for riders who want to take the afternoon off, or travel companions who want to spend little or no time in the saddle. Some of these options may need to be scheduled before your trip – please contact one of our Trip Consultants for more information. Expenses and/or related transportation to these activities may not be included in the trip price. Some non-riding options on this trip are:

- Chocolate & beer tastings
- Pro race viewings
- Bistro meals
- Walking tours
- Shopping
- Museums
- Spas
- Entry to the Ronde Van Vlaanderen Cyclo and Paris-Roubaix Gran Fondo
- VIP passes to the finish of Paris-Roubaix Pro race

**Trip Changes**

See itinerary for specific daily ride distances and elevation options. On all of our vacations, Trek Travel strives to find quiet, paved secondary roads or bike paths to experience a region; busy roads are avoided as much as possible. Our itineraries are an approximation of our trips. Trek Travel strives to offer every guest a vacation of a lifetime on every trip. At times routes, hotels, activities, etc. listed
here may change at the discretion of the trip designer or guides to improve the trip experience.