



# MEDEMBLIK

## EXCURSIONS & TOURS

River cruise Medemblik  
travel program

*History and hospitality  
in an authentic  
Dutch landscape*





## Cruise Port Medemblik

# FOREWORD

*We welcome you wholeheartedly to the harbours of the Medemblik municipality! Located on the IJsselmeer (Lake IJssel) near the harbour towns of Hoorn, Enkhuizen and Den Helder, Medemblik is the perfect destination to visit during your river cruise.*

Medemblik is also easy to reach by boat from Lelystad, Kampen and Amsterdam. With 5 ports in the town itself and a marina in Andijk, our municipality has always been closely connected to water. The fact that Medemblik is the oldest town in Westfriesland is easily recognisable by the centuries-old building facades. Surrounded by typical Dutch landscape, Medemblik is enriched by tranquillity and space.

The river cruise jetty is centrally located, right behind the station of the Steam Tram Museum that runs between Hoorn and Medemblik. Your guest will walk from the river cruise jetty directly to our lively town centre with its shops, places worth visiting and museums. Even though the visit is short, the programme is very attractive.

Together we have been through a unique period as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In our towns and villages, we have made sure that your visit to Medemblik is safe. We recommend that you plan your visit in advance. On [visitmedemblik.nl](https://www.visitmedemblik.nl) you will find all the current information.

This excursion programme contains suggestions for tours and excursions that offer your guests an unforgettable and safe outing!

**See you soon in Medemblik!**

Mayor of the Municipality of Medemblik  
Frank Streng



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Excursions and tours take place only  
if they are feasible within the COVID-19  
measures of the RIVM. Always get  
informed in advance regarding the  
current situation.



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## Cruise Port Medemblik

# INTRODUCTION

*Medemblik is proud of its narratives and is always pleased to share them. This brochure provides information to cruise companies and passengers in the river cruises sector about the excursions offered in this region. We have a suitable offer for every visit and every length of stay. You can include our tourist suggestions that are very rich in history, beautiful nature and infinite hospitality in your excursion package. We also provide your guests with ideas that guarantee an unforgettable experience at the embankment of Medemblik!*

### **CRUISE PORT MEDEMBLIK**

Is part of Stadshavens Medemblik BV and the host for five harbour locations within the municipality of Medemblik. All these locations are certified by the Blauwe Vlag (Blue Flag).

Stadshavens Medemblik not only manages Cruise Port Medemblik, but also the harbours of Pekel-haringhaven, Oosterhaven, Westerhaven and the north side of the Overlekerkanaal. The team of harbour masters welcomes you enthusiastically!

### **STICHTING EVENTMEDEMBLIK**

This foundation organises unique groups tours in and around Medemblik. EventMedemblik operates with various partners, passionate tourist entrepreneurs who believe in the power of hospitality and cooperation. Together we combine our efforts to make your excursions unforgettable experiences for your guests! For all your questions about the excursions, please turn to the team of EventMedemblik. We will be pleased to assist you!



**For booking your landing, questions and more information about our tours:**

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## Cruise Port Medemblik

# HARBOUR FACILITIES

*Cruise Port Medemblik is part of Stadshavens Medemblik. The harbour lies on the west side of the IJsselmeer - between Enkhuizen and Den Helder - and therefore enjoys a wonderful logistical position on the sailing route to Wadden island Texel.*

Stadshavens Medemblik offers river cruise ships a nicely lit mooring jetty in the centre of the town. From the jetty, passengers can walk directly to the lively town centre and enjoy many worthwhile places, shops, restaurants and cafés. The moored cruise ships are easily accessible.

The area around the jetty offers a safe place for passengers to hop on and hop off the City Tours tourist train, the horse tram or to other transport means and to explore the lovely environment.

At the edge of the centre, near the exit roads, is a spacious car park where vehicles can be parked for free. Cruise Port Medemblik also has a professional and hospitable port service, which is always pleased to assist you.

The mooring jetty has clean and waste water facilities. Wadden island Texel, as well as impressive harbours, such as, Amsterdam, Enkhuizen, Hoorn, Lelystad, Lemmer and Hanzesteden Kampen and Zwolle, are reachable at a short sailing distance.

The compact character of the lively centre, the warm hospitality of the residents and the attractive selection of excursions make Cruise Port Medemblik a lovely and comfortable place for disembarking!





## THE DUTCH STEAM MACHINE MUSEUM

### THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION

Hop on the City Tours train and take a unique tour along many of the special highlights of Medemblik. It lets you off at the Netherlands Stoommachinemuseum, which is located in the former pumping station called Vier Noorder Koggen, dating back to 1869. In the museum you will encounter the largest collection of working pumping machines in the Netherlands.

Step into the fascinating world of steam and during the 1.5 hour tour, discover how the invention of James Watts works and the power of water and fire. A lovely image of the times.



*Discover the power of water and fire!*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Visit to the Dutch Pumping Station Museum including guide, tour with the City Tours train and transport from and to the cruise ship.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 11,50
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
10 - 24
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En, Fr
- ♿ **ACCESSIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
2,5 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Mo - Su



## RADBOUD CASTLE

### BACK TO MEDIEVAL TIMES

In the thirteen century, Duke Floris V commissioned the construction of a fortress on the shores of the Zuiderzee. The Radboud Castle enabled him to have control over the inhabitants of Medemblik and to be able to defend the region against the threat of the Frisians from the other side of the Zuiderzee.

Take a lovely walk through historic Medemblik and visit the centuries-old fortress. During the approx. 1.5 hour audio tour, you will hear everything about the dark Middle Ages and discover the dark passageways, tower chambers and the dungeons in this ancient castle.



*The Magic of a bygone era*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

A walk in the town at your convenience and an audio tour in the Radboud Castle.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 8,00
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
> 20
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿ **ACCESSIBLE**  
No
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
3 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Th - Su  
11:00 - 17:00 hours



## STEAM TRAM MUSEUM

### A CENTURIES-OLD STATION

The railway from 1887 between Hoorn and Medemblik is unique in its completeness. Many old station buildings and bridges from long ago have been preserved. That also applies to the station of Medemblik. The platforms and the station environment have been entirely preserved to look and function as they did in the past. The station, located directly next to the mooring jetty, is open around the arrival and departure times of the Steam Tram Museum and welcomes visitors. Go back in time and take a look at the waiting room, the office and the station master, and the sheds for the transport of goods. The railway is part of the Historic Triangle of Enkhuizen-Medemblik-Hoorn.



*a stone's throw away*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Visit to the station at your convenience (excludes guide).

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
Price upon request
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
> 15
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
N/A
- ♿ **ACCESSIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
0,5 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Daily  
12:00 - 13:20 hours



## DE HERDER FLOUR MILL

### THAT'S HOW THE VANES SPIN

For centuries windmills were the face of harbour town of Medemblik. They constituted an important link in the provision of food. Choosing to visit De Herder flour mill is first a lovely walk on the dyke and then entering through the nearly Gatehouse.

Here you can see a continuous slide show about the monumental Westfrieze Omringdijk and the history of the windmills. The tour through the flour mill, with an explanation of how it works and its technique, makes your excursion complete.



*Let the wind tell you*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Visit to De Herder flour mill including guide and guidance from and to the cruise ship.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 4,50
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
10 - 30
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿ **ACCESSIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
1,5 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Tu, Th & Sa



## BAKERY MUSEUM 'THE OLD BAKERY'

### INCLUDES DEMONSTRATIONS

In the centre of Medemblik, near the mooring jetty, you will find the bakery museum: The Old Bakery. With the scent of freshly baked cake, you literally experience the atmosphere of yesteryear. The bakers demonstrate all the phases of their craft.

You can also practice old baking techniques. The joy of a familiar skill or a new discovery today! Demonstrations daily of baking cakes, making marzipan and chocolate.



*Taste from  
the past!*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Museum visit including demonstrations and workshops.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 6,00
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
N/A
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿ **ACCESIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
1,5 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Tu - Su

The museum is a stone's throw away from the mooring jetty.



## BONIFACIUS CHURCH

### VISIT INCLUDING TOUR

The Bonifacius Church from 1400 has a beautiful traditional interior. The organ was made by the famous organ builder Pieter Backer. A special feature is the organ rack made from pear wood, which comes from the original organ.

The church has tombstones dating back to the Golden Age, including the headstone of Lord Murray, the Scottish captain of the last independence war against England.

*The Golden age  
in Medemblik*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Visit to the Bonifacius church including guide.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 0,-
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
6 - 12
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿ **ACCESIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
2 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Mo to Su



## WWII CENTRE

### THE SECOND WOLD WAR IN WESTFRIESLAND

You discover the reconstructed West-Frisian village from the period of WWII by joining a voyage of discovery according to the Escape Room concept. The local stories come alive in this setting.

Discover secret rooms, decipher secret coded messages from Radio Oranje and trade in the black barter market. People who have difficulty walking can participate in everything except in 1 of the 10 parts.

*Informative, interactive and suitable for everyone.*



*Travel 80 years back in time!*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Museum visit including guide and transport from and to the ship in an authentic army truck.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 19,50
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
10 - 30
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿ **ACCESSIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
3 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Mo to Su



## TOUR IN WWII TRUCK

### A UNIQUE WAY TO EXPLORE MEDEMBLIK AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

Riding in an open truck, you take a tour of the most important highlights of Medemblik and its surroundings. Pumping station Lely, De Herder flour mill, De Vier Noorder Koggen steam pumping station and the War Museum are all included in the tour.

During the tulip season (April/May) the tour is completed with a visit to the beautiful and vast tulip fields, famous to this region.

*Available only on dry days.*

*Visit to the tulip fields is only in April and/or May.*



*Commemorate & enjoy!*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Tour through historic and rural Medemblik including guide, visit to the tulip fields and transport from and to the cruise ship.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 9,50
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
10 - 30
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿ **ACCESSIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
1 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Mo to Su

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## GOLDEN AGE WALKING TOUR OF THE TOWN

### INCLUDING A TASTE OF REGIONAL PRODUCTS

Accompanied by a guide, you trace back to the Golden Age. Medemblik is dotted by beautiful 17th century buildings throughout the municipality.

Thanks to proper preservation of the town archive, we know much about the people and stories behind these iconic buildings. This provides a unique peek at the daily lives from that period. The town walk is supplemented by regional treats presented by local entrepreneurs. You will also visit a unique souvenir shop.



*With a guide!*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

A walk through the 'Golden Age' of Medemblik including a guide and transport from and to the cruise ship. Supplemented with taste of local products.

#### € PRICE INCL. VAT

€ 9,00

#### MEERPRIJS PROEVERIJ

€ 4,50 per person

#### PERSONS

6 - 16

#### LANGUAGES

Du, Ge, En

#### ACCESIBLE

Yes

#### LENGTH

1,5 hours

#### ✓ AVAILABLE

Mo to Su



## RELAXED CYCLING

### THROUGH RURAL MEDEMBLIK

Do you love being in nature and enjoy riding a bike? Then this programme is just perfect for you.

Hop on a bike and together with an experienced guide discover the beautiful and vast landscape of Westfriesland. On the way, you enjoy the green and the characteristic line of housing close to the road. Halfway the trip, a tasty surprise awaits you: coffee or tea with a taste of local treats.

Possible only in good weather.

The guide meets you at the mooring jetty.



*In scents  
and colors*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Bike trip through rural Medemblik including guide, coffee or tea and a taste of local products.

€ **PRICE INCL. VAT**

€ 24,50

👤 **PERSONS**

6 - 50

🗨️ **LANGUAGES**

Du, Ge, En

♿ **ACCESSIBLE**

No

🕒 **LENGTH**

2 hours

✓ **AVAILABLE**

Mo to Su

Larger groups upon request.



## CYCLING, KAYAKING

### OR SWIMMING

On a bike discover the historic centre of Medemblik and afterwards enjoy kayaking through the rural surroundings of this town. Determine your rhythm and enjoy water, nature and the region's characteristic line of housing close to the road. Instead of kayaking, it is also possible to go swimming or do your laps in the nearby heated swimming pool.

For the bike trip you're on your own. A host takes you from the cruise ship to the bike rental. Upon request, you can get a number of bigger bikes and electric bikes are also available

*Take action!*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Bike trip through historic Medemblik with a carefully marked cycling route, kayak rentals (excl. life jacket) or entrance to the swimming pool.

€ **PRICE INCL. VAT**

€ 14,00

👤 **PERSONS**

> 10

🗨️ **LANGUAGES**

Du, Ge, En

♿ **ACCESSIBLE**

No

🕒 **LENGTH**

2 hours

✓ **AVAILABLE**

Mo to Su





## THE HORSE TRAM

### DISCOVER RURAL MEDEMBLIK

Take a lovely horse tram trip through rural and discover the West Frisian local products!

Travel at a slow pace along the vast meadows, lines of houses close to the road and the historic villages of Twisk and Opperdoes. You will visit Hero Stam where you will be introduced to the world famous local product: 'De Opperdoezer Ronde' potatoes.

The horse tram is covered and closed so that you stay dry and comfortable in case of unforeseen rain or wind. On a day with sunshine, the cover of the tram is opened.



*Slow down...*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Tour in a horse tram through rural Medemblik including a visit to potato grower Hero Stam.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 32,50
- 👥 **PERSONS**  
10 - 20
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿ **ACCESSIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
2,5 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Mo, Tu, Fr & Sa

Alternative days upon request  
There is room in the horse tram for max. 6 wheelchairs.



## DE KOGGEVAARDER

### UNIQUE TOUR IN AN OPEN BOAT

Navigate through the historic 16th century of Medemblik. Via the Overleker Canal – the connection between the Wieringer Lake and the IJssel Lake – you arrive at Westersluis. This lock ensures that the differentiating water levels can easily be navigated. Afterwards you sail in the direction of Kleine Vliet. You listen to the story about the old pumping station, De Vier Noorder Koggen, where the Dutch Steam Engine Museum is now located and which has a working pumping machine from 1869.

Finally, via Vlietstroom you sail along the former Royal Naval Institute Landswerf from 1799, which was once honoured with a visit by Napoleon.



*Culture from the water*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Unique open-boat ride through the town, includes skipper/guide and transport from and to the cruise ship.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 10,00
- 👥 **PERSONS**  
10 - 20
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿ **ACCESSIBLE**  
No
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
1,5 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Mo to vr



## THE APIARY

### BEES AND MODEL TRAINS

With the City Tours train, you take a lovely ride through rural Medemblik. You are let off at the Apiary in Opperdoes. Here you can see what one achieves with a passion for honey bees. During the tour through the apiary, the beekeeper tells you everything about the life of a busy bee.

After a delicious glass of honey wine, you pay a visit to one of the biggest covered model train tracks in the Nederland. The instalment of the railway line of the Steam Tram Museum inspired the construction of this model.



*A bees life!*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Visit the Apiary including guide, honey wine, visit to the model train tracks, tour through rural Medemblik and transport from and to the cruise ship.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 9,50
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
8 - 40
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En
- ♿️ **ACCESIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **LENGTH**  
3 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
We & Fr from 15:00 hours  
Sa & Su from 12:00 hours



## PAINT ON PORCELAIN

### INCLUDING A VISIT TO THE ST. MARTINUS CHURCH

In Medemblik, at the edge of the historic centre, you will find Sint Pieter. In this former rectory, you can attend a workshop in painting on porcelain.

While enjoying a delicious cup of coffee with a tasty Medemblik treat, you create a special souvenir that will remind you of your stay in our region.

To complete the day, you will visit the nearby St. Marinus Church, a neo-gothic basilica-styled church built in 1903.

Since the church is located a stone's throw from the mooring jetty, you can visit it at your own convenience.



*Creative with ceramics in a historic ambiance*

### EXCURSION CONTENT

Painting on porcelain including a visit to the St. Martinus Church, guide and walking tour from and to the cruise ship, incl. material and coffee with a tasty snack.

- € **PRICE INCL. VAT**  
€ 12,50
- 👤 **PERSONS**  
N/A
- 🗨️ **LANGUAGES**  
Du, Ge, En, Fr
- ♿️ **ACCESIBLE**  
Yes
- 🕒 **Length**  
1 hours
- ✓ **AVAILABLE**  
Mo to Su



# MEDEMBLIK

*Rich in Stories*



*More tourist information*

As the oldest town in West Friesland, Medemblik is armed with a rich history that goes back to Medieval times. As early as 1289, Medemblik was the first place in West Friesland to be granted the rights of a city. In the same period, Duke Floris V had a fortress built, now known as Radboud Castle.

Through the centuries, the harbour town has been plagued by plundering, a big town fire (1555) and sieges. During the Golden Age, Medemblik enjoyed exuberant growth. An important factor in this development was the trade in Scandinavian wood. The many 17th century facades in the historical town centre are evidence of this expansion. When the North Holland canal was opened in 1824, the connection of the Zuiderzee with the Afsluitdijk and the establishment of the Wieringermeer polder immensely boosted the significance of Medemblik as a harbour town.

During the 1960s, the town established it highlights and developed into an internationally renown water sport centre.

Nowadays, Medemblik is known as a lively IJsselmeer town with beautiful harbours and a compact and attractive town centre.

## WORTHWHILE SIGHTS

Medemblik has more than 80 listed monuments. The town hall was built in 1939 (architect A.J. Krop-Holler). There is also a working grain windmill (De Herder, renovated in 1990) and in the former pumping station, Vier Noorder Koggen, is located in the Dutch Steam Machine Museum. Located at Westerhaven (harbour) is the magnificent building 's Landswerf. An interesting bit of information about this place is that on 15 October 1811, Napoleon visited the former Royal Navy Institute in order to inspect 4 armed ships ready to sail. He ate his lunch in the Waterschapshuis on the other side of the harbour. Since 1887, Medemblik has a rail link to Hoorn. The station building, located directly at the mooring jetty, dates back to this period. Nowadays, this rail link is used by the Hoorn-Medemblik Steam Tram Museum.

### More tourist information about Medemblik

[www.visitmedemblik.nl](http://www.visitmedemblik.nl)

### More information about landings & excursions

[www.cruiseportmedemblik.com](http://www.cruiseportmedemblik.com)

## TODAY

Medemblik is valued for its combination of water, nature and history. While in early days the water was a threat and the risk of a breach in the dyke was a constant threat, it is now an inexhaustible source of pleasure and natural beauty.

The town and its surroundings offer plenty of space for recreation and relaxation. The many harbours, holiday parks and camping sites make Medemblik an adored holiday destination. During the summer months, countless events add a lively décor to the town.

The residents of Medemblik are known for their engaged 'village-like' manners: everyone greets each other on the street and visitors are welcomed with warm hospitality.

Medemblik is a wonderful base for visits to Amsterdam (50 minutes by car), the Afsluitdijk (25 minutes by car), Friesland (45 minutes by car) or the nearby tulip fields in the Wieringermeer polder – the only 'real' Zuiderzee polder in the Netherlands.





**Medemblik - Hoorn**  
21 km - 25 minutes by car  
**Medemblik - Enkhuizen**  
20 km - 25 minutes by car  
**Medemblik - Twisk**  
4,8 km - 9 minutes by car



↑ more information

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- 10 Westereiland harbour

### SUPERMARKETS

- 11 Deen - Overleek 1
- 12 Aldi - Randweg 17
- 13 Spar - Nieuwstraat 49
- 14 Mleczko - Nieuwstraat 77

### PETROL STATIONS

- 15 Peut Koper - Randweg 15
- 16 AVIA Marees - Schootsvel 1
- 17 BP - Westerzeedijk 1

- 20 Shopping & catering area

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- 18 De Compagnie  
Compagniesingel 7  
Tel 0227 - 541 234
  - 19 A.J. de Jager  
Oostersingel 28  
Tel 0227 - 547 547

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