

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION NETHERLANDS & BELGIUM

PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION

Your passport needs to be valid for at least six (6) months after your journey and should have a minimum of three (3) blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps.

Holders of U.S. and Canadian passports are not required to obtain a tourist visa for entry into Netherlands and Belgium for stays of up to 90 days.

Dutch law requires that everyone over the age of 14 carry some form of official identification at all times. A U.S. passport suffices for these purposes.

Our partner VisaCentral offers easy, efficient U.S. passport and visa processing. Visit them online at visacentral.com/abercrombiekent or call 844 823 1224 and reference A&K's account number 73001. Service fees apply.

Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey.

REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO COVID-19

Visit the U.S. Department of State at travel.state.gov or the Government of Canada at travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories for comprehensive and up-to-date country entry requirements as well as information for onward travel.

Entry Requirements

The following are the current COVID-19 screening requirements for entry into the Netherlands and Belgium for U.S. and Canadian residents. Requirements are subject to change.

The Netherlands

All travellers (aged 12 and over) entering the Netherlands must meet all of the following conditions:

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- Present on arrival an original COVID-19 vaccination certificate indicating full vaccination completed at least 14 days (28 days for Janssen/Johnson & Johnson) but not more than 270 prior to arrival. The current approved vaccines are Pfizer (Comirnaty), Moderna (Spikevax) and AstraZeneca (Vaxzevria) and Janssen/Johnson & Johnson (Ad26.COV2.S). Minors aged 17 and under are exempt from the vaccine requirement provided that they are accompanied by a vaccinated parent or guardian.

Note: A booster shot is required for any traveller who completed full vaccination more than 270 days prior to arrival in the Netherlands.

- Complete the [vaccine-declaration-covid-19](#) form online prior to travel.

Belgium

All travellers entering Belgium must meet all of the following conditions:

- Present on arrival an original COVID-19 vaccination certificate indicating full vaccination completed at least 14 days but not more than 270 prior to arrival. The current approved vaccines are Pfizer (Comirnaty), Moderna (Spikevax) and AstraZeneca (Vaxzevria) and Janssen/Johnson & Johnson (Ad26.COV2.S). Minors aged 11 and under are exempt from

the vaccine requirement provided that they are accompanied by a vaccinated parent or guardian.

Note: A booster shot is required for any traveller who completed full vaccination more than 270 days prior to arrival in Belgium.

- All travellers must complete an online Passenger Locator Form [public-health-passenger-locator-form](#) prior to arrival in Belgium.
- Restaurants require guests to provide proof of either full vaccination, documentation of recovery from a recent COVID-19 infection, or a negative COVID-19 test that is no older than 72 hours for a PCR, 36 hours for rapid antigen.

COVID-19 Testing Information

A&K will arrange COVID-19 PCR or rapid antigen testing during your time in the Netherlands or Belgium as follows (all fees are subject to change):

Netherlands

The current cost for local testing ranges from Euro 85-150, plus any necessary transport, payable by credit card.

Belgium

The current cost for local testing ranges from USD \$57-\$162, plus any necessary transport, and can be paid by credit card or in local currency (cash).

Requirements for Returning Home or Onward Travel

Guests returning to the United States

Before boarding a flight to the United States, all travellers are required to show printed or electronic proof of a negative COVID-19 viral test (PCR or rapid antigen) result taken no more than one (1) day before travel, or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 in the last 90 days.

For up-to-date details and FAQs visit [Requirement for Proof of Negative COVID-19 Test or Documentation of Recovery from COVID-19 | CDC](#). Be sure to check state COVID-19 entry requirements, as they may vary.

Guests returning to Canada

There are currently no COVID-19 testing requirements for entry into Canada. Requirements are subject to change. For up-to-date information, visit [travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories](#).

Note guests continuing to other countries should check the specific COVID-19 entry requirements.

STAY HEALTHY ON THE ROAD

Netherlands

In accordance with local regulations, face masks must be worn at airports and while aboard aircraft.

Belgium

In accordance with local regulations, face masks must be worn by anyone over the age of 12 on public transport, in indoor public areas and public areas outdoors where maintaining physical distancing is not possible. All persons are required to practice physical distancing of at least five feet (one and a half meters).

We encourage you to bring your own masks; a supply will be on hand where needed. Note all protocols are subject to change in accordance with relevant guidelines, local regulations and conditions.

CASH & CREDIT CARDS

Major credit cards are widely accepted, and there is easy access to ATM outlets.

Banks and exchange facilities may refuse U.S. dollar denominations of \$50 and \$100 if they are not equipped with devices to identify counterfeit currency. Unattended self-service payment kiosks such as those in parking garages, train stations or gas stations only accept a Chip and PIN card or cash.

PACKING LIST & BAGGAGE RESTRICTIONS

Please use the provided A&K luggage tags, even if your bags already have ID tags. This makes it easier for A&K staff to find and manage your luggage for you.

BAGGAGE RESTRICTIONS: EUROSTAR RAIL SERVICE

Guests travelling aboard Eurostar rail service need to be able to carry their own luggage onto the train as porters are not allowed on the train platform. Eurostar allows for a maximum of two (2) bags no longer than 33 inches (85 centimeters) each and a small carry-on. You are required to handle and place your own bags in the luggage racks; please ensure your bags are not too heavy for you to carry.

PACKING LIST

Safe Travel Essentials

Be sure to bring personal protective equipment (PPE), including face masks, travel-sized hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, facial tissues and disinfecting wipes or spray.

Clothing

Choose versatile, casual clothing that can be layered if the weather (or level of air-conditioning) requires. Cotton and other light fabrics are comfortable choices for summertime. Pack a coat, hat, gloves, boots, warm socks and sleepwear, if you are visiting these countries between late October and early April. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings. Formal clothing is not necessary.

Cathedrals, churches, and other religious sites require conservative dress. Arms and shoulders should be covered.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Casual slacks | <input type="checkbox"/> Walking shorts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses | <input type="checkbox"/> Long sleeve shirts or blouses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comfortable walking shoes with low or no heels | <input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight raincoat and umbrella |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sweater or fleece jacket | <input type="checkbox"/> Brimmed hat or visor for sun protection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleepwear | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal garments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Socks | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimwear/cover-up |

Other Recommended Items

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses | <input type="checkbox"/> Sun block and lip balm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Simple first-aid kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging) |

- Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses
- Smartphone
- Charging cables for electronics
- Global travel adapter

Laundry service is available at most hotels and dry cleaning is available in larger cities. Check costs and return times before using these services.

TIPPING GUIDELINES

While decisions regarding tipping rest entirely with you, we suggest the following gratuities (noted in U.S. dollars):

	Tailor Made Journeys
Resident Tour Director or Group Extension Guide	Not applicable
Local Guides	\$25 per person, per day (full day)
Drivers	\$15 per person, per day (full day)
Airport Transfer Drivers	\$5 per person, per transfer
Hotel Porters	\$2 per bag
Housekeepers	\$2 per person, per night
Included Meals	Included
Restaurants or Room Service on Own	10-15% unless already added

Canal Barge Cruises

Gratuities to barge crewmembers are not included. Please refer to 'Life on Board' Vessel Information for recommended gratuity guidelines.