

A Small Town of the Holland



Get Fall in Love with this Beautiful Town!

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When most people think of The Netherlands, they think of Amsterdam with it's famous red lights and coffeeshops. And maybe tulips too. but there is much more to the country than these three things. the Netherlands is country filled with historic cities, canals, beautiful farmland, windmills, and pleasant beaches.

Most travelers come to Netherlands and simply party in Amsterdam for a few days but by doing so they miss what much of the country has to offer. Spend time exploring more than just Amsterdam and coffeeshops and you'll discover the country are beautiful than you think. I highly recommend heading north, especially in April/May when the tulips are in bloom, and also visiting [Utrecht](#), one of my favorite cities south of Amsterdam.

Utrecht is like a mini-Amsterdam but lacks the crowds of Amsterdam. The old city is centered around an old church, the Dom.

The main area of town is centered near the Oudegracht, or "old canal". it's the main canal in town and along it are shops and a plethora of restaurants. The restaurants are located on a level below the street alongside the canals.

on the nice weather day ,the city is packed and all the tables along the canal were taken. After some walking, you can enjoyed some outdoor drinking by the canal, soaking up the sun with all the Dutch, who apparently don't need to work on a Friday.

Overall, Utrecht is a nice city and a good, relaxing alternative to Amsterdam.

The flowers of Provence



Mention Provence, you first think of is what?Paris?The Eiffel Tower?Fashion week?Chanel?Well, no matter what you think of, you will not forget the graze Provence. By:HangYang 130306129 Class 1 Provence is Europe's "city of the knight", located in southeastern France, adjacent to the Mediterranean and Italy, extend from the Mediterranean coast to inland hilly region, middle river long river.Advantageous geographical conditions, makes the Provence is change in the weather and have an unusual charm.Provence region is a Mediterranean climate, summer is dry, mild winter, more than 300 days of sunshine each year.Mountain climate is characterized by long winter, snow, hot in summer, many thunderstorms;Clear difference between the valley slope, and all kinds of microclimate.But overall, although Provence Provence north-south climate differences, but in general for tourism all the year round, especially the season spring,

summer, autumn three season. Is in such weather, lavender, alien species here got good growth and reproduction. This kind of plants from ancient Persia regions, with its elegant, fragrant and enjoys a high reputation. With the change of the time, this comes from the Middle East has now become a French Provence lavender flowers region an important symbol. It with its characteristics of violet and quietly elegant fragrance with Provence, fields and roads, courtyard and bedroom. In Provence, you everywhere is the vast expanse of lavender manor. While walking down a country lane, look up to see the sky is blue, look to the distance saw a pure purple flowers, warm wind blowing from flower sea, in the air, our skin with a pleasant scent. That is a kind of taste, sweet and sad, let you for a long time addicted to it. In Provence, of course, you can find not only the lavender, vine, and the olive tree, majestic trees and golden sunflower, is everywhere. In Provence, you can't miss the wine here, Provence product high quality grape wine, 20% were senior and top wine. Due to the Mediterranean sunshine, Provence grapes contain more sugar, the sugar into alcohol, makes the Provence wine alcohol content of 2 degrees higher than the wine in the north. Rudolf muller Spartansburg rose slightly orange is the most distinctive. Common red wine are: Cotes DE Provence, Coteaux d \$Cts' \$Aix en Provence, Babydoll. In the flower sea, rented a villa, sunny, walk on the stone path, or sit in the sun chair. A glass of wine to the core, to don't be so extravagant life. If someone says romantic Provence is thoroughly, probably too much, because here in addition to romantic love legend circulating for a long time, and is known for "the count of monte Christ" in accordance with the island, is famous for the "Marseillaise" marseille, and elegance of the university town ai and Avignon, long aftertaste of the heights of the middle ages, street and comfortable small cafe. Included in Provence history, Cezanne, van Gogh, Donet, Picasso, Chagall, such as per capita in Provence art to a new stage of life, azure coast hedonism ethos, has also attracted the American writer Fitzgerald, scientists, Huxley, German poet

Friedrich Nietzsche, British writer Lawrence people come to pilgrimage. Provence, a city of romance, Provence, a place to never leave.

Where it will go, the last ship



Venice, which is located on the north of Italy,, one of the most famous water city in the world. It is born in water , beauty of water ,develop of water. Venice looks like a dolphin. Unban area of it less than 7.8square kilometers , there are 118 islands and 117canals spreading over all the city. It is the only city has no cars in the world and the ship is the only vehicle

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Gondola is the most unique ship in Venice with a very long history .Learning from the first governor in the17th century .In the traditional , the designs of the appearance of gondola had all sorts .In the century of 16 , gondola was extremely beautiful, the nobles often took these which were decorated with station and silk to show off their fortune .This phenomenon had a very bad effect on the society .In order to change this extravagant lifestyle ,a ban had been made by the

senate of Venice :Nobody is allowed to display of wealth by the gorgeous decorations on the gondola ,these has been decorated must be removed and should be painted in black. This traditional has been remained from this time .Thus we usually see gondolas are black in union ,only on special occasions ,they will be decorated resplendently.

Nowdays ,this ship usually has 5 meters long and 9 meters wide .The bottom of the boat is asymmetrical , so we can keep balance through the single slurry one side .In the past ,there would have a movable awning the prevent the visitors from the sun and rain while now this aspect is disappear . Taking the gondola is an extremely expensive way ,so most people choose a much cheaper vehicle ,small water bus.

The boatman only wears a tight knit shirt with the stripes and a straw hat. He is good at driving technology and travels faster .Though there are many ships coming and going ,he operates freely .Regardless of how coward it is ,he is always turning left or turning right to push through it .When somewhere extremely narrow ,he is able to through it smoothly ,faster with sharp turning. In the night, the moon is reflecting in the river ,differing from the daytime , the river is returning to calm, flowing quietly likely silk .The feet of the old walls both coasts , which are crawling the moss , throwing off a special damp smell .The two sides of the river have many famous constructions .It is easy to see the footprints of writers ,painters and musicians here and there .There are Phoenix Opera House ,which was destroyed by fire and rebirth , and charming Byzantine architecture and the world's most beautiful Plaza-pizza San Marco, which has the reputation of "the finest drawing room in Europe " by Napoleon ,and color island , which is known as fairy island.

There are almost about 350 bridges . where there is a ship ,there is a bridge ,the most famous is the bridge of sigh, which has been copied by Cambridge University and a famous poem named "Saying Goodbye to Cambridge" by a famous poet XuZhimo here .In the old story ,if lovers kiss under the bridge ,their love will be everlasting.

In the first Sunday of the September ,Venice will hold the historical Regatta Storica . That day the most characteristic celebration ships and gondolas will travel to the Grand Canal . This is the most popular festival after the Carnival .

Everything looks well but everything has changed .With the development of industry ,more and more co2 and other carbon gases are emitting

beyond control bring very serious greenhouse effects , making the global warming and melting glaciers . causing the sea level rising .Thanks to Venice is build on the water ,the environment here is becoming more and more and more worse . In 1900 , the most square of Venice center –Piazza San Marco only was flooded 10 times a year , however ,it will be flooded at least 100 times a year . In contrast to 100 years ago ,the water level of Venice has risen 23 cm .Venice soaks in water 200 days now ,but the number is only 7 cm in 17th century .The foundation building is destroyed .The old building has fell about 67 cm since 1727.Now more and more people are learning from Venice ,the population is declined sharply .This phenomenon makes the society have no choice but to take actions to prevent this city .

The scientists have said that Venice will be flooded completely in 2100. No people will be here that time while nobody will know the last only ship will whether run to the sea along the water or will becoming a shipwreck in the bottom. In fact ,the ship is an epitome of the city . It is time for all the society to take actions to protect the earth.

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UK's Fresh Characteristics



A famous British wine company ["mentioned in the UK you will think of what"](#) in the title, conducted a survey in the local. The investigation team for thousands of ordinary citizens' opinions to elect the ten characteristics of Britain. Surprisingly, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was lower than traditional British food – Fish and chips, toast bread with roast beef and York pudding, only ranked third in the list.

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The survey activities of the organizers of the famous company called Tanqueray, this company invited many celebrities such as editor of magazine GQ. The times's columnist Matthew Paris and five celebrities in cultural circles to put up 100 world famous "symbol" of the UK, this survey items including public figures, scenic, social customs, famous singers, the television star, celebrity culture, architecture, famous brand and characteristic diet. The survey firm investigated single out through magazines, newspapers and other channels. About a month later, they received thousands of receipt, after processing , they get the results of these statistics quickly.

Findings are as follows□

1 Fish and chips

1 (tie) Toast bread with roast beef and York pudding

3 Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

- 4 Buckingham Palace
- 5 English breakfast
- 6 The Beatles
- 6 (tie) The British Parliament
- 8 Mark and Spencer chain
- 9 Oil painting master John Constable
- 10 Afternoon tea

British food haven't the high reputation in the world, but the British people still think that their country's food is very characteristic, especially fish and chips, toast bread and roast beef and York pudding.

The British people like to eat fish and chips is famous in the world .In the British street, the fish and chips shops can be seen everywhere. Toast bread with roast beef and York pudding are British gentlemen and ladies breakfast every morning as the first choice, consequently, they tied for the first place with 73% of the vote.

The queen of England with 64% of the vote in third place, followed by her home in Buckingham Palace, this luxurious palace received 58% of the vote.

In the fifth row is renowned for its rich content of English breakfast. In addition to toast bread with roast beef and York pudding, English breakfast including porridge, vegetable, fruit, cheese and seafood.

In addition, British Airways, Broadcasting British Corporation, Tower Bridge of London, horse racing, the rolling stones, red telephone booth, London Big Ben to high vote to enter the top 50.

England is a beautiful country, On land, the UK is not too large. There is a proverb: from John O English in 'Goats to Land' s End. Meaning "from the British side to the South Pole", it seems very far. In fact, any place in England is not more than 120 kilometers away from the sea.

In England, there are many famous scenic spots. Such as the "city of flowers" London, "Athens of the north" Edinburgh University City, Oxford, Cambridge, York City, and the hometown of Savon Stratford are world-renowned tourist city. The British also Piyou lake and other dozens of national parks and scenic reserve. At present, listed by UNESCO as a world cultural and natural heritage places of historic interest and scenic beauty and natural landscape of Tower of London 14. They are all unique, all good at the long, is very popular with tourists sightseeing spots. Britain is a country which full of glamour and worth to be visited!

Wanna go there? Hit the road now!

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