Excursion to De Zilte Smaak – Terschelling

Requires advance registration and an additional fee of 100 EUR

"De Zilte Smaak" is a foundation that wants to create awareness about the flora and fauna of the Wadden Sea. The organisation is a partner of the project SalFar and runs a number of test fields for saline crops on Terschelling. The “Zilte Smaak” team develops and shares knowledge, first and foremost to give the numerous visitors of the island the opportunity to learn more about saline farming and the food you can harvest directly from the Wadden Sea. Surely, you will be offered a typical lunch with fresh saline products from their test fields and straight from the Wadden Sea itself.

The tour will depart from Harlingen harbour on September 12th around 17.00 on a former inland trading ship. We will organize your trip to Harlingen, either when you return form your excursion to Texel (the early trip, excursion number 1), or from Leeuwarden in the case you chose to stay in Leeuwarden.

Thursday night, after leaving Harlingen, we will be sailing over the Wadden Sea (UNESCO World Heritage) to the island of Terschelling. A captain's dinner will be served on board. The ship will anchor in the former tidal harbour of East Terschelling. There it will fall dry and we will spend the night on board. If you prefer to sleep in a hotel on the island, this alternative is available at your own expense.

Friday morning, after breakfast, you (and your luggage) will be leaving the ship (or we will pick you up from the hotel) and you will be welcomed by the team of "De Zilte Smaak" (The Saline Taste).
We will visit their test fields situated directly behind the dike close to the tidal harbour. By bike we will go to the "Wierschuur", a spot where all kinds of halophytes (plants that grow naturally in the Wadden Sea) can be found. Through the scenic landscape of Terschelling you will cycle to the Cooking Studio of Island Chef Flang Cupido, one of the initiators of De Zilte Smaak. The total distance is about 8 kilometres; for those who don't like cycling, we will arrange alternative transport. Flang and his crew will prepare a very tasty saline lunch with the ingredients that you have just seen and picked yourself.

After lunch, we will go to West Terschelling, from which the ferry to the mainland (Harlingen) will depart at 17.30. You will arrive in Harlingen around 19:30 hrs. We will arrange the trip back to Leeuwarden by train, where you will arrive around 20:00 hrs.

We will cover the cost of boat and trip from Harlingen (or Leeuwarden) back to Leeuwarden, meals and drinks.

Please note that the sleeping-huts on board are basic (two or three person huts.) If you prefer a hotel or bed & breakfast accommodation, you can book it yourself. In this case, we would recommend following options:

- https://booking.roomraccoon.com/b-b-de-postoari-terschelling/nl/
- https://www.walvisvaarder.nl/
- https://folkshegeskoalle.nl/
- or via Terschelling Tourist board: https://www.vvvterschelling.nl/

If you choose this option, you can also use this opportunity to prolong your stay on Terschelling over the weekend. The Terschelling tourist board can help you to find accommodation.

- Transportation from/to Leeuwarden
- Transportation among listed sites on Terschelling
- Accommodation on the ship
- Meals mentioned in the program