



Carpet of Flowers, Brussels
17 - 19th August 2012 from £190 per person

This spectacular event takes place only every 2 years. The famous Carpet of Flowers covers nearly 20,000 square feet of the Grand Place, and is a sight to behold. Tour includes a visit to the highly commended Botanical Garden of Belgium.



NAFAS National Show, Southport
12 - 14th July, 2012 price on application

Our annual favourite event is being held in the classic resort town of Southport. Our accommodation is within easy reach of the Southport Theatre & Convention Centre.



Demonstrations & Workshops, The Netherlands
Available throughout the year, price on application

Why not inspire your group with an intensive workshop weekend in the Netherlands. International Florist Astrid Van Den Berg will share her expertise throughout these workshops and can tailor the theme to your own request.

Why use European Connoisseurs Travel?

- We have over 17 years experience in providing specialist group travel arrangements.
- We are the Preferred Travel Partner for the organisers of Magical Winter Moments with Flowers in Bruges and The Flower Event Alden Biesen, Bilzen.
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2011 - 2012 Short Breaks to Floral & Garden Events
throughout Europe.

Prepare to be inspired with our new range of Autumn, Winter and Spring tours for the coming year.

ECT have been providing specialist tours for Floral and Gardening Associations for over 9 years. As a Group Tour Operator we offer a wide variety of affordable short breaks by executive coach, air and Eurostar with mainly 4* accommodation.

Why not inspire and create some happy memories for your club or association by arranging a group tour with us. Take a peek inside at just some of our more popular tours, or tell us what you would like and we can tailor a tour for you.

"We have many fond memories to share, we've seen and learnt so much over the years"
Shirley Preston, NAFAS South West Area



**The Flower Event Alden Biesen, Bilzen
23 - 25 September 2011
From £169 per person**

Now in its 16th year a visit to this event offers floral art demonstrations, workshops, a glamorous floral fashion show and contemporary exhibits. Something for every flower enthusiast.



**Horti Fair, Amsterdam
1 - 4th November, 2011. Price on application**

Horti Fair is the largest international trade fair bringing you the latest in technology, innovation and inspiration in horticulture, and a must for any professional florist. Why not enhance your stay with a visit to Flora Holland Flower Auctions and Basics & Trends Accessories Wholesaler.



**Stef Adriaenssens' Beyond Imagination in Lier & Magical Winter Moments with Flowers in Bruges 25th - 27th November, 2011
From £259 per person**

Two outstanding floral events merged into one weekend. Beyond Imagination celebrates 25 years of Stef Adriaenssens' time in International floristry and brings together the passion and ideas from more than 40 international florists. Combine this with Fleur Creatif's ever popular Magical Winter Moments with Flowers in Bruges and you will be in floral heaven.



**Temps de Flors, Gerona Spain 12th - 15th May, 2012
From £245 per person for ground package**

2012 marks the 57th Gerona Flower Show when this beautiful town is awash with flower displays, music and cultural performances. Wind your way through the narrow streets and open squares to see what you can discover. Flights can be arranged from a convenient airport.



**Keukenhof
Various dates between 22nd March - 22nd May, 2012
From £169 per person**

These beautiful gardens are open for 2 months in the spring each year and are festooned with over 7 million colourful tulips. Our tour includes an exclusive demonstration at the Van Den Berg Greenhouse, as well as a visit to the UNESCO listed city of Bruges.



**The Floriade, Venlo, The Netherlands, April - October, 2012
From £169 per person**

Experience nature at Floraide 2012. Happening only once every 10 years this tribute to horticulture comprises five uniquely themed 'worlds' over 66 hectares. Each day offers a cultural programme of music, dance, nature and visual art from all over the world.



**Royal Glasshouses at Laeken 27th - 29th April 2012
From £179 per person**

Open to the public for only two weekends per year by grace of The King, these lofty gravity defying structures are the pride of Belgium. Two nights B&B accommodation at 4* hotel in central Brussels, puts you within easy access many of the city's attractions.



**3 day Educational Visit to The Netherlands with optional Workshop at the VD Berg Greenhouse
Various Dates From £155 per person**

Get an insightful peek at the floral industry in the very heart of where it all happens. Including a visit to Flora Holland Flower Auctions and the chance to buy the latest accessories at Basics & Trends. You will also have an exclusive demonstration at the Van Den Berg Greenhouse. Optional 2.5hr workshop available.



**Domaine de Courson, 18th—20th May 2012
From £179 per person**

On this two day tour you will experience the French equivalent of our native Chelsea Flower Show where over 250 exhibitors from France, the UK, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Italy and Switzerland will be showing off their best plants and wares.



**Amiens & the Gardens of Picardy
Spring & Summer 2012, price on application**

A beautiful taste of France. Staying in the Cathedral City of Amiens, you will take a boat trip to view Les Hortillonages, floating gardens, and three more idyllic French Gardens, Abbaye de Valloires, the Park & Rose Garden of Chateau Rambures and a choice of the Floral Garden of Digeon or Le Clos Alexandre.