

# Commewijne Historical Boat Tour



*This historic boat tour is suitable for anyone who wants to become acquainted with the plantation district Commewijne within 1 day. A must for those who are looking for culture and history.*

## Highlights Tour:



Nieuw Amsterdam  
Rust en Werk  
Frederiksdorp

- Crossing in Small traditional boat with roof
- Open Air Museum New Amsterdam
- Fishing village Rust en Werk
- Former coffee plantation Frederiksdorp

## Location:

The district Commewijne is one of the oldest plantation areas of Suriname. Commewijne is situated in the north by the Atlantic Ocean, in the west by districts Paramaribo and Wanica, in the south by district Para and in the east by district Marowijne. The main place is New Amsterdam.

## General information:

Already in the second half of the 17th century, plantations were built on the Upper Commewijne and Cottica river, where mainly sugar cane, coffee and cocoa were cultivated. To protect these plantations against foreign incursions, Fort Nieuw Amsterdam was built at the

confluence of the Commewijne and Suriname river.

**Tour description:**

This tour starts at the pier of Leonsberg where we crossing the river by a traditional boat. We make the crossing to our first destination, namely the open-air museum in Nieuw Amsterdam. There you will receive an extensive tour of one of our experienced guides. After visiting Nieuw Amsterdam we continue our boat trip to the fishing village Rust en Werk. At Rust en Werk you can see the process of drying the shrimps.

Afterwards we visit Frederiksdorp where you can enjoy your lunch. Frederiksdorp is a former 18th-century coffee and cocoa plantation. The first owner was a German from Prussia, Johan Friedrich Knöffel to whom the plantation to owes its name. The history of Frederiksdorp recalls both the European and African traditions. When we return to Leonsberg we spot some Dolphins who swim around our boat very playfully. With luck you can also encounter pelicans and other bird species during this trip.

**Included in the tour:**

- Transport by boat retour
- Lunch
- Fruit
- Entrée
- Non - alcoholic beverage
- Entrée
- Dutch or English speaking guide

We take any diets into account, if you let us know when booking.

**What to take with you during the tour:**

- Walking shoes
- sunscreen
- cap
- film camera and / or camera is recommended
- insect repellent
- Small denominations Surinamese money for your personal expenses.

**Time duration:**

Time	Activity
9.00 am	Departure from the pier of Leonsberg
9.30 am	Arrive at Fort Nieuw Amsterdam
9.45 - 11.30 am	Tour by guide at Nieuw Amsterdam
11.30 - 12.45 uur	Arrive Rust en Werk
13.00 p.m	Lunch
14.00 p.m	Departure to Frederiksdorp
14.15 p.m	Arrive at Frederiksdorp
14.45 pm	Depart from Frederiksdorp
14.45 - 15.00 pm	Spotting dolphins
15.30 pm	Arrive at the pier of Leonsberg

*\*\*Note: The tour start and end at the pier of Leonsberg*

*Subject to changes*