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Eurostar confirms start of new direct connection between Amsterdam and London

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Eurostar, the high-speed rail link between the UK and mainland Europe, has confirmed that its London-Amsterdam service will operate fully direct both to and from the Netherlands from the 26th October.

Tickets for the direct return journey go on sale from 1st September from £40 each way, with a journey time of just over four hours (4h 9m) from Amsterdam and three and a half hours (3h 29m) from Rotterdam to London. With bookings open up to six months in advance of travel, passengers can plan ahead for travel over the Christmas period and up to February 2021.

In light of the continuing uncertainty and recently introduced quarantine measures, Eurostar is offering passengers more flexibility with all fares now exchangeable with no fee up to 14 days before departure. [1] These flexible fares, which apply to all bookings made from 1st July until 31st December, are valid for any dates of travel available at the time of purchase. The increased flexibility comes in addition to options for those with existing bookings who may want to change their travel plans.

Both on board and in stations, Eurostar has introduced new hygiene measures to provide customers with a



comfortable and safe experience. A new seat map ensures travellers are seated at a safe distance apart respecting social distancing guidelines. Trains are deep cleaned before every journey, and cleaning teams are on board to regularly disinfect high contact areas. All travellers must wear a mask on board and in stations, in line with government regulations.

For more information or to book Eurostar tickets (from 1st September) visit <u>www.eurostar.com</u> or call the Eurostar contact centre on 03432 186 186.

[1] Bookings between 13 days before departure and day of departure will be charged an exchange fee of $\pm 30/$ €40 in Standard Class, $\pm 40/$ €50 in Standard Premier, and $\pm 15/$ €20 for children. Applicable to all public fares available on Eurostar.com.

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