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Not to be missed



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Dom Square

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Discover the highlights of Utrecht. Amazing museums, intimate restaurants, characteristic streets and unique shops, Utrecht has everything you need for a wonderful day out or an unforgettable city trip.

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Rising to a height of 112 metres, the 700-year-old **Dom Tower** on Dom Square is the iconic symbol of Utrecht. A guided tour of the tower is a must during your visit to the city. Right beside Dom Tower is the delightful gothic **Dom Church**. Descend to **DOMunder**, an underground voyage of discovery full of archaeological treasures and venture 2,000 years back in time. Then discover the **Pandhof garden of Dom Church**. This monastery garden is the loveliest courtyard in the Netherlands.

Rietveld Schröderhuis

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The most famous house in Utrecht, completely designed according to the principles of De Stijl art movement. This architectural highlight was built in 1924 by Utrecht architect Gerrit Rietveld and is on the UNESCO World Heritage List for good reason.

Shops and markets

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In Utrecht, you can find elegant little boutiques, unique stores and famous brands. Stroll via the Oudegracht to **Twijnstraat** and embark on a tour of discovery along this vibrant street with its many speciality shops, bars and restaurants. If you love markets and plants, then the **flower market** at Janskerkhof is a must see. Each Saturday, the square is filled with gorgeous plants and flowers.

Centraal Museum

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One of the most trendsetting museums in Utrecht. The **Centraal Museum** is located in a former medieval convent where you can explore the many hallways, staircases and the spacious courtyard. The largest Rierveld collection in the world resides here as well as the studio of illustrator and graphic designer Dick Bruna, the creator of world-famous Miffy.

Agnietenstraat 1

From the water

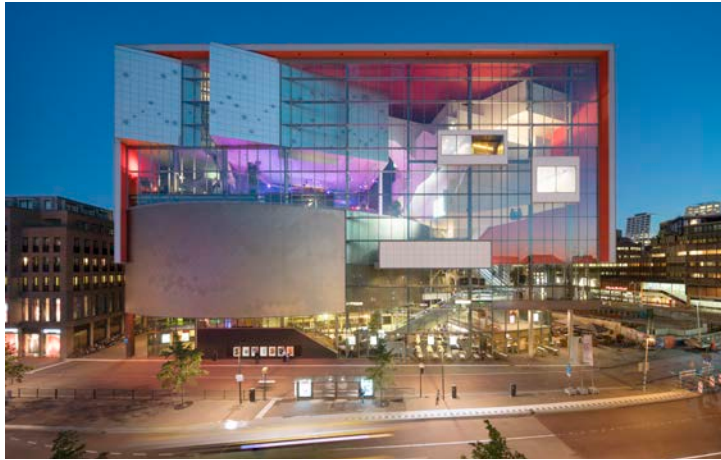
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Utrecht has an extraordinary relationship with water. Take a boat trip or walk along the '**singel**', a route of approximately six kilometres circling the historic city centre. And you simply cannot miss the city's amazing **canals and wharfs**. It will come as no surprise that Utrecht has been awarded the title of most beautiful canal city in Europe! Hire a boat, canoe or SUP, or book a cruise. Afterwards, you can relax and take in the views at one of the many waterfront cafes.

TivoliVredenburg

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In the heart of the city centre stands **TivoliVredenburg**, a unique venue for all kinds of music and entertainment. You can also find **Her Gegeven Paard** here, a cafe where you can enjoy lunch, dinner or drinks and snacks. A fantastic evening is guaranteed. Check out TivoliVredenburg's extensive programme online.

Vredenburgkade 11

Museum Catharijneconvent

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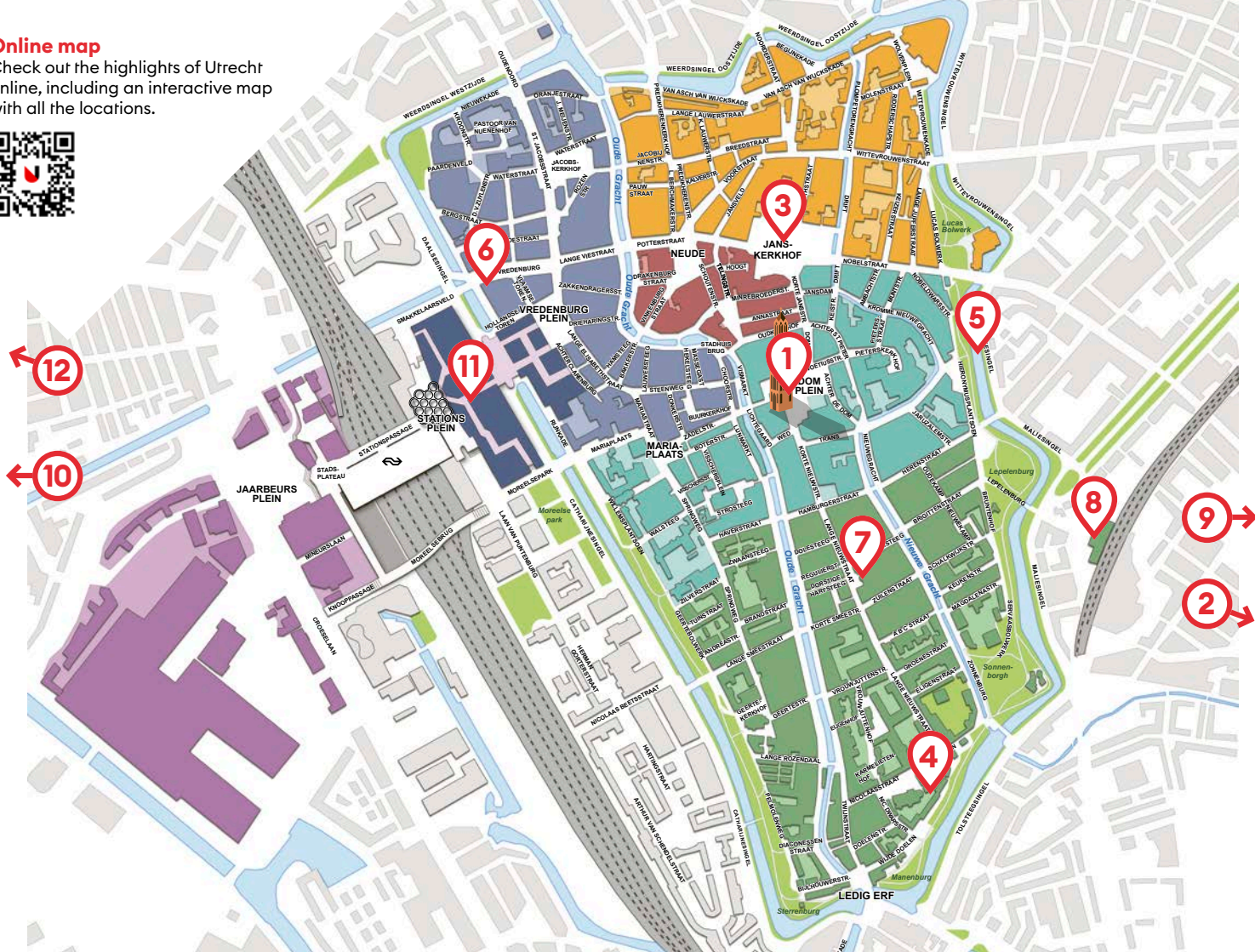


Discover medieval masterpieces, magnificent treasure chambers and special paintings. Housed in an ancient former convent where time has stood still, this museum reveals the fascinating story of the past and present of Christianity in the Netherlands. A globally unique venue thanks to its collection of both Protestant and Catholic art and its various cultural objects.

Lange Nieuwstraat 38

Online map

Check out the highlights of Utrecht online, including an interactive map with all the locations.



Railway Museum

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This entertaining museum is located at the former Maliebaan railway station and is all about trains. A fascinating place where you can discover how trains changed the world, the museum is a genuine adventure for young and old alike.

Maliebaanstation 16

Botanical Gardens

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The lush botanical gardens lie at the edge of Utrecht Science Park in the grounds of Fort Hoofddijk. The gardens are home to an unparalleled collection of plants from across the world and boast the largest rock garden in Europe.

Budapestlaan 17

Máxima Park

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The size of Utrecht city centre, Máxima Park in Leidsche Rijn is quite exceptional. Exercise, play, walk, cycle, relax, have a picnic and go boating to your heart's content. Visit Vlinderhof garden and enjoy the fine displays of public art. And discover the best places for a snack and a drink, such as the Maximus Brewery and Anafore park restaurant.

“Walking around Utrecht feels like stepping into an open-air museum.”
Anita (30)

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Hoog Catharijne

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Leave **Utrecht Central Station**, walk across the station square, go underneath the iconic, **bulbous roof** and then enter **Hoog Catharijne** shopping mall. There are 90 stores ranging from well-known fashion chains to small boutiques and more than 30 restaurants. Did you know that Hoog Catharijne is the first shopping centre that allows boaters and canoers to pass under it?

De Haar Castle

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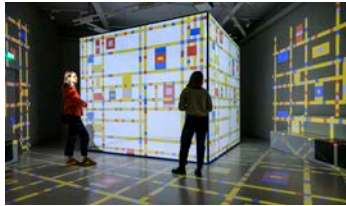


Be enchanted by this fairy-tale castle surrounded by a beautiful formal garden and an equally glorious landscaped park. This historic structure is the largest castle in the Netherlands and was built by a rich baron between 1892 and 1912. Nowadays, you can discover the castle by guided tour or roam around the garden by yourself. Why not have a drink and a bite to eat afterwards at the Tuynhuis?



Not in a hurry? Then discover the region!

If you are not in a rush, then get on your bike or take the train and discover the region around Utrecht. Visit one of the many fortresses or castles and surround yourself by nature on one of the lovely bicycle routes.



Mondriaan House Amersfoort

The Mondriaan House Museum is situated in the home where Piet Mondriaan was born. This world-famous artist is considered one of the founding fathers of abstract art. Marvel at the permanent exhibition of Mondriaan's work

and enjoy changing displays from artists who have been inspired by the Dutch master.

Fort bij Vechten



Waterline Museum Bunnik

Visit this informative museum and explore the nearby fortress. After spending a day wandering around here, the New Dutch Waterline will no longer hold any secrets. An interactive discovery tour inside the museum lets you experience the unique story of how the Netherlands used water to defend itself.



Discover nature in the region

Utrecht is surrounded by a variety of spectacular landscapes. The alluring **Utrechtse Heuvelrug** National Park and the **Gelderse Vallei** lie between Utrecht and Amersfoort. Walk or cycle through the hilly woodlands and take in the impressive castles and estates along the way. The polders of the **Green Heart** never fail to sooth and intrigue with their vast meadows, moors, beautiful lakes and rivers, historic towns, fortresses and farms. And soak up the river landscape of **Kromme Rijnstreek** with its orchards, culturally historic sites and the flood plains of the Lek river.

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