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BIKE RIDES VELUWE



EXPLORE The veluwe BY BIKE

The great thing about cycling in the Veluwe region is the huge diversity of the area. One moment you can be pedalling over lateral moraines, through woodlands or across an open heath, and the next you can be cycling past stately homes and old Hanseatic Towns. Exploring the Veluwe by bike is the ideal way to discover its many faces, and there are plenty of opportunities to stop and relax at a café along the way. Happy cycling!

This booklet contains the 30 best cycle routes in the Veluwe region. All the make use of the Dutch cycle network. Simply follow the signs from one numbered intersection to the next. There is an information panel at each intersection showing a map of the area and useful information.

Did you notice a broken or missing sign on your cycling route? You can notify us at bordjeweg.nl. Enjoy nature responsibly, treat each other respectfully, and choose to venture out during less busy times of the day such as dawn.

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BIRDWATCHING ON THE EDGE OF THE FORMER ZUIDERZEE

The North Veluwe is renowned for its magnificent scenery and rare species of birds! Tips for birdwatchers include the Hierdensebeek observation platform between intersections (18) and (80) and, as you cycle along the coast of the former Zuiderzee, you'll pass the Polsmaten bird hide. There's another great spot for birdwatching at intersection (81): the Polder Oosterwolde on the Drontermeer lake, which is the habitat of black-tailed godwits, lapwings, redshanks, bitterns and shovellers! At other bird hides along the way (Doorspijk and Rietland Elburg) there's a chance you'll also see kingfishers, ospreys, bearded reedlings and water rails. So don't forget your binoculars!



Start and finish: Visitors centre Nunspeet Plesmanlaan 2, Nunspeet







Tea Garden van Hulshorst



Brandsweg 34, Hulshorst



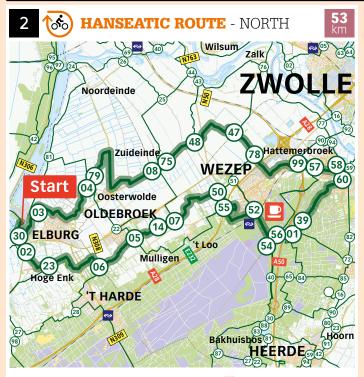
HANSEATIC ROUTE - NORTH

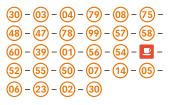
Relive the history of trading in the Hanseatic Towns of Elburg and Hattem, where time appears to have stood still since the Middle Ages. The 'Hanseatic route – North' cycle route partly follows the tracks of the old 'Hessen' routes, former trade routes that were used by German merchants from the city of the same name. Furthermore, this route takes you right through the heart of the fortified town of Elburg Vesting. The Vesting, or fort, is a reminder of the rich history of this fishing town and the mediaeval grid-based street plan is still fully intact. It's not hard to imagine how life was in those days as you cycle past the imposing ramparts, the canals and the old town walls.



Start Start and finish: Car park Elburg Havenkade, Elburg







Guesthouse De 7 Heuvels



Stationsweg 110, Wezep



HANSEATIC ROUTE - SOUTH

The influence of the former Zuider Zee on the Hanseatic Town of Harderwijk is still tangible today! The southern Hanseatic cycle route takes you through the area between Harderwijk and Elburg, two picturesque fortified towns which are well worth a visit. As you cycle through the narrow lanes and past historic buildings, you can be forgiven for thinking you've stepped back in time! If you're ready for a break, stop off at another site with a rich history: the 17th-century castle, Kasteel de Essenburgh. After intersection (55), turn right onto Zuiderzeestraatweg. Refreshments are on sale.



start Start and finish: Van der Valk Hotel Harderwijk Leuvenumseweg 7, Harderwijk





Zuiderzeestraatweg 199, Hierden





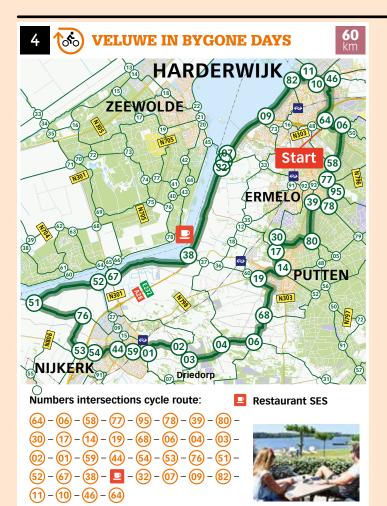
VELUWE IN BYGONE DAYS

The influence of the former Zuiderzee on the Veluwe landscape is clearly visible as you cycle past the Wolderwijd, Nuldernauw and Nijkerkernauw lakes. This route takes you through the towns of Harderwijk, Ermelo, Putten and Nijkerk. As you navigate the narrow lanes and charming squares in Harderwijk, you will see evidence of how the towns around the Zuiderzee thrived thanks to the fishing industry. The elegant houses and stately buildings bear testimony to the prosperous trading history. Stop for a break at Restaurant SES in Putten, which is so close to the beach that you can almost feel the sand between your toes. It serves a delicious range of food made from fresh, ethical produce.



start Start and finish: Van der Valk Hotel Harderwijk Leuvenumseweg 7, Harderwijk





Strandboulevard 27, Putten





THE WELL-HIDDEN ROUTE

Cycle from the Campingpark de Vuurkuil campsite by way of Beekhuizerzand, through the woods and along the heath towards Vierhouten. Along the way, you'll come across Het Verscholen Dorp ('the hidden village'). You can look at reconstructions of the huts where people hid in the woods from the occupying forces during the Second World War. Stop for a break at Staverden, which is the 'smallest city' in the Netherlands. It was granted the privileges of a city in 1291 when Count Reinoud van Gelre was planning to expand the place. In the end, he got no further than having a castle and a few outbuildings built, but there is plenty to explore on the estate, including the Bierbrouwerij Uddelaer brewery in the coach house. You can sample some of its special beers in amongst the hop

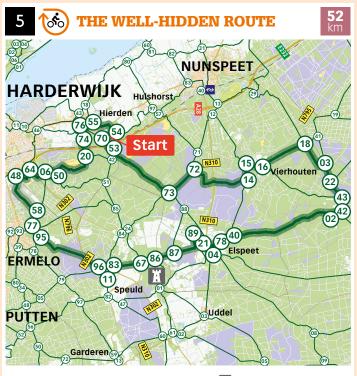


boilers or on the terrace offering views of Castle Staverden.

Start and finish: Campingpark De Vuurkuil Vuurkuilweg 15, Hulshorst



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Brewery Uddelaer



Staverdenseweg 283A, Ermelo





THE 'FOUR SHADES' ARTISTIC ROUTE

For many years, Nunspeet has been a source of inspiration for countless artists. Its position in the Veluwe region on the edge of the Veluwemeer lake has made it famous for its great variety of flora and fauna. Here you will find magnificent forests with ancient trees, wildlife, purple heathland, shifting sand drifts and washlands frequented by many species of birds. This route reveals the 'four shades' of the four main villages in the area: Nunspeet, Vierhouten, Elspeet and Hulshorst. You will soon realise that art is an essential element in all four villages. Art is on display everywhere - not only in the museums, but also in the streets, in local hotels and

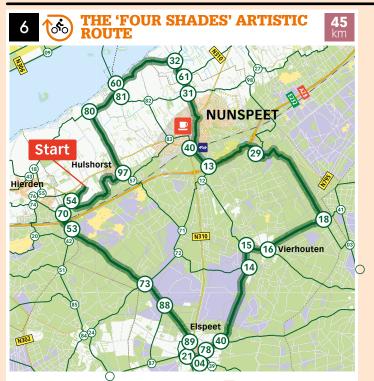


restaurants and during special events.

Start Start and finish:

Apollo Hotel Veluwe de Beyaerd Harderwijkerweg 497, Hulshorst







Village Hostel De Roskam



Dorpsstraat 5, Nunspeet



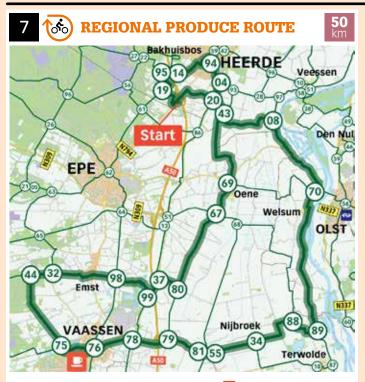


REGIONAL PRODUCE ROUTE

The floodplains of the River IJssel and the municipality of Heerde are the source of an abundance of regional produce. Meet some farmers behind the local fair-trade produce and see with your own eyes how food is grown in the region. You will cycle past fields full of vegetables and orchards bursting with slowly ripening fruit. Stop for something to eat and drink at the former mill, Coffee and Tea House De Korenmolen. Its unique interior takes you back to the days of early millers!

Start Start and finish: Transferium Horsthoek Eperweg 55, Heerde







Coffee and Tea House De Korenmolen



Jan Mulderstraat 18, Vaassen

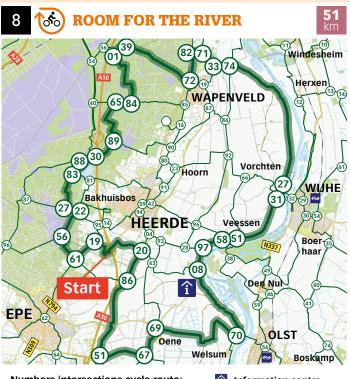


ROOM FOR THE RIVER

In 1995, when the water in the major rivers in the Netherlands rose to extreme levels, the government decided that they should be given more room. After two new dykes were constructed, a channel was created: the Hoogwatergeul, a unique project in the Netherlands. If water levels rise excessively, water is guided into the channel to protect the area from flooding. This route takes you past various sections of the Hoogwatergeul. Cycle through the magnificent rural area between the villages of Veessen and Wapenveld. Along the way, you will pass marshy floodplains, fields edged with poppies and cows in meadows – all beneath a glorious Dutch sky filled with voluptuous clouds. No wonder this landscape has always been such a popular subject for painters!

Start Start and finish: Transferium Horsthoek Eperweg 55, Heerde





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Hoogwatergeul



IJsseldijk 1, Veessen



WILDLIFE ROUTE

Go looking for wildlife around Epe! This route takes you through beautiful woods and heaths that are home to wild boar, deer, roe deer and foxes. Stop off at the hide close to intersections (47) and (36) and you might be lucky enough to spot something – but remember to stay very quiet! Another place to stop is De Ossenstal restaurant where you can get something to eat and drink. From there, you can follow the path to the De Haelberg observation platform, which offers magnificent views across the Veluwe region from the top.

Tip: Head out early for the biggest chance of seeing wildlife, because animals go to graze on open areas around dawn.



start and finish: Castle Cannenburch Maarten van Rossumplein 4, Vaassen







Restaurant De Ossenstal



Ossenweg 10, Epe





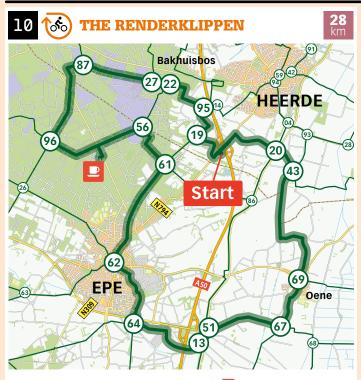
THE RENDERKLIPPEN

The Renderklippen is a nature reserve comprising lateral moraines overgrown with heather. Ice, water and ultimately mankind created the lateral moraines many thousands of years ago. Over the years, the River Rhine and the River Meuse also deposited countless tons of sediment, sand, earth and stones in the Netherlands. The wind did its work and shifted large quantities of sand across enormous distances. Rising dozens of metres in height, the De Renderklippen nature reserve is the imposing result and it attracts countless visitors. The scenery is characterised by undulating hills, sandy paths, ponds and an occasional lone tree. The area is home to deer, roe deer, wild boar, sheep and other wild animals.

Start Start and finish:

Transferium Horsthoek Eperweg 55, Heerde







Brasserie Floor



Dellenweg 109, Epe





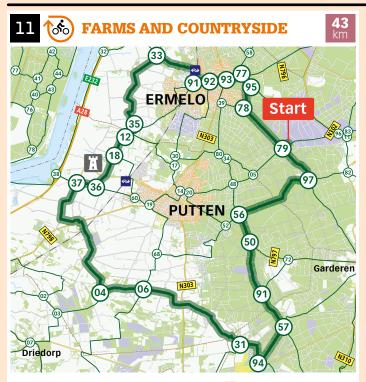
FARMS AND COUNTRYSIDE

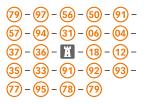
Enjoy the peace and quiet of the ancient agricultural heritage between Putten and Ermelo. This route takes you through a mix of woods, heathland and the polders which farmers have used and worked for centuries. Look out for charming old farms between Ermelo and Putten and stop off occasionally to take in the expansive views, dotted with windmills which played an important role in rural crop production for centuries. Along the way, you'll pass the Schaapskooi Ermelo, home to 400 sheep which graze on the heathland, and Kasteel De Vanenburg, a 17th-century manor house and country estate in Putten.



Start Start and finish: Sheepfold Ermelo Postweg 50, Ermelo







🚺 Castle De Vanenburg



Vanenburgerallee 13, Putten





ZUIDERZEE ROUTE

The former Zuiderzee sea to the north of the Veluwe was both friend and foe of those who lived in the area, enabling proceeds from fishing but also causing losses due to flooding. The inhabitants of the Veluwe waged a battle against the Zuiderzee for centuries, and reminders of that time can still be clearly seen today. The most unusual landscape created can be seen in the oldest polder in the Netherlands, Arkemheen, where channels made by the tidal current of the Zuiderzee produced winding ditches dividing the land. Furthermore, pools and reed marshes were formed when dykes collapsed; the last time this happened was in 1916.



start **Start and finish:** Postillion Amersfoort Veluwemeer Strandboulevard 3, Putten





Zeedijk 6, Nijkerk



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GIRO DI BARNEVELD

Follow the route of the Giro d'Italia cycling peloton in and around Barneveld. This Giro di Barneveld route is longer and more challenging than the rest, for more active cyclists. It covers 75 kilometres and reveals the many faces of Barneveld and the surrounding villages. When they think of Barneveld, Dutch people inevitably think of chicken and eggs because it is one of the main centres for poultry production in Europe. But Barneveld is more than just poultry – there are plenty of other things to see and do! You'll be surprised by the area's diversity when you explore Barneveld by bike.

start Start and finish:

Car park Veluwe Kootwijk Nieuw Millingseweg, Kootwijk





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Stoutenburgerweg 20, Terschuur





THE DIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN VELUWE

Starting from the holiday park Het Caitwickerzand, this route will take you through a wide variety of scenery within a short distance, from woods, heathland and meadows to villages and hamlets. This route also takes you through the smallest city in the Netherlands: Staverden. As you cycle, you'll progress from natural countryside and farming activities to history and culture: so four 'seasons' in one day! Along the way, you will also pass the sand sculptures of Veluws Zandsculpturenfestijn in Garderen. The theme of the exhibition in 2021 is 75 years of liberation, so it's a unique place to stop for a break, enjoy

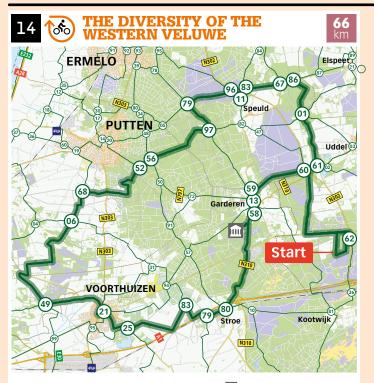


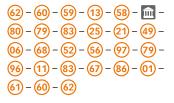
the sand sculptures and reflect on freedom.

start Start and finish:

Holiday park Het Caitwickerzand Hennepstede 50, Uddel (Nieuw-Milligen)







't Veluws Zandsculpturenfestijn Garderen



Oude Barnevelderweg 5, Garderen





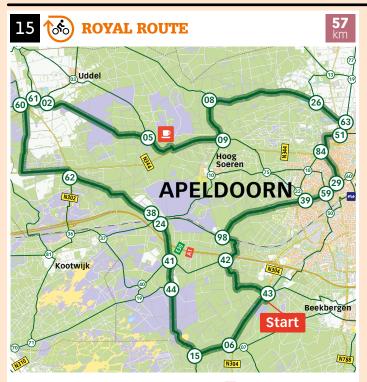
ROYAL ROUTE

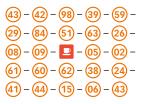
Apeldoorn and the surrounding area have a rich history and strong connections with the Dutch royal family. The Royal Route combines these features with various types of Veluwe scenery. The route takes you past Museum Paleis Het Loo, the Paleispark, the Naald, the Oranjepark, the estate Landgoed 't Sol and through Hoog Buurlo. The majority of the route goes through the Kroondomein Het Loo crown estate. Enjoy the space and serenity in this vast park. You'll arrive at Het Aardhuis about halfway along the route. Het Aardhuis was built in 1861 at the request of King Willem III. It is now the visitors centre for the Kroondomein Het Loo and an excellent place for a well-earned rest.

start Start and finish:

Transferium Het Leesten Hoenderloseweg 191, Ugchelen







Het Aardhuis



Aardhuis 1, Hoog Soeren





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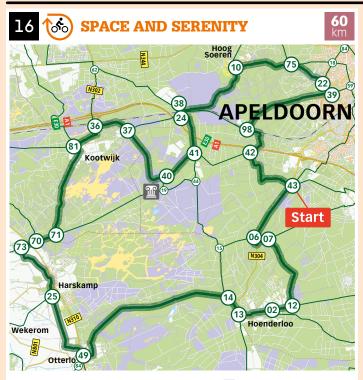
SPACE AND SERENITY

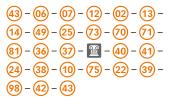
A serene feeling of peace prevails among the undulating woods and heathlands on the Veluwe. This route takes you past one of the most striking sites in the Veluwe region: the former broadcasting station Radio Kootwijk. Hidden in the Ugchelse woods between intersections (1) and (4), you'll find a small settlement: the Sheepfold in Hoog Buurlo, which is home to a flock of Veluwe moorland sheep. During the day, these sheep graze on the heathland where unusual plants grow such as com spurry, sand sedge and bristly haircap moss. The moss is green in autumn and winter, but turns a lovely deep red in spring.

start Start and finish:

Transferium Het Leesten Hoenderloseweg 191, Ugchelen







Radio Kootwijk



Radioweg 1, Kootwijk





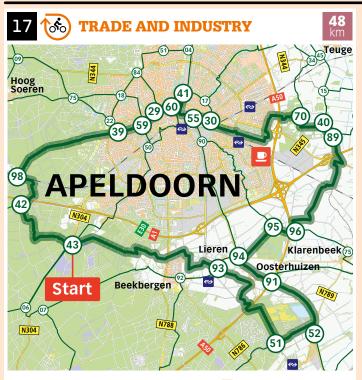
TRADE AND INDUSTRY

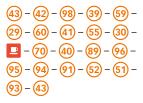
Nowadays, the towns of Apeldoorn, Beekbergen and Loenen are all nestled in the lush green countryside, but in the past this area of the Veluwe was a hive of industrial activity. It is now the epitome of calm, but during the industrial revolution this region was populated with red-hot blast furnaces smelting iron, paper mills processing pulp and steam trains puffing along. This route takes you back in time past reminders of the Veluwe's heritage of trade and industry.

start Start and finish:

Transferium Het Leesten Hoenderloseweg 191, Ugchelen







Van der Valk Hotel Apeldoorn



Landgoedlaan 26, Apeldoorn





IJSSEL VALLEY ROUTE

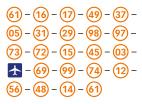
Enjoy the diversified scenery along the River IJssel. The combination of vast floodplains, the meandering river and the sounds of bleating sheep and pleasure craft sailing past makes the IJssel Valley popular with tourists. The IJssel Valley route introduces you to the western banks of the river. Cycle along winding dykes, past imposing farmhouses and idyllic dyke villages. Along the way, you'll pass floodplains with willow trees, marshy pastures, hawthorn hedges in full bloom, herds of cows and the occasional farm dotted here and there.



start Start and finish: Pillows Luxury Boutique Hotel Aan De Ussel Worp 2, Deventer







🛧 Airport Teuge



De Zanden 103, Teuge





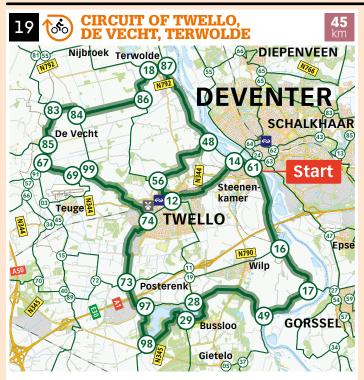
CIRCUIT OF TWELLO, DE VECHT, TERWOLDE

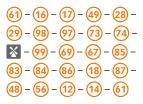
This route takes you through magnificent countryside and a number of charming Veluwe villages. From the starting point, Meadow, on Deventer's urban beach (Stadsstrand), cycle towards the Bussloo spa and resort nestled among the trees. The route continues towards the villages of Terwolde and De Vecht. You can stop for a break at the Havekes Mölle (mill) in Twello and relax for a while before continuing your route. If you're lucky, you might be able to chat to the miller and hear all about the mill!



start Start and finish: Meadow op het Deventer Stadsstrand Bolwerksweg 11, Deventer







Havekes Mölle Twello



Havekespad 13, Twello





ALL ABOUT PAPER

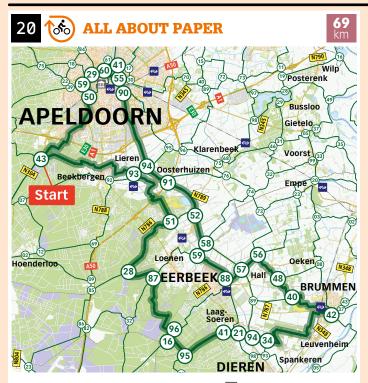
Discover the history of the paper industry in and around Apeldoom on this route. This region became the birthplace of the Dutch paper industry thanks to the numerous brooks and springs, and traces of that heritage can still be seen today. Along the way, you'll pass various mills such as the Middelste Molen where paper has been produced since 1622. You can stop for a break at the Loenense Waterval where you can see the two biggest waterfalls in the Netherlands. To put paper in perspective, you can visit CODA Museum Apeldoom which this year is hosting a Paper Art exhibition in honour of the local and regional paper industry.

Tip: Combine this route with the Paper Here cycle route in Eerbeek. The two routes are connected by overlapping intersections, but this summer you can also take a steam train of the Veluwsche Stoomtrein Maatschappij to the starting points.

Start Start and finish:

Transferium Het Leesten Hoenderloseweg 191, Ugchelen







CODA Museum Apeldoorn



Vosselmanstraat 299, Apeldoorn





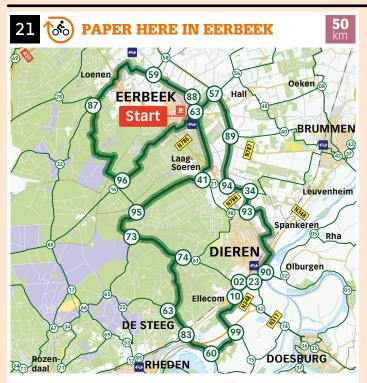
PAPER HERE IN EERBEEK

Paper production in the Netherlands reached its peak during the Golden Age. The whitest paper was made in the Veluwe region, because the flowing water was so clear. Watermills driven by this water powered the production and processing of paper, and no other region in the Netherlands had as many watermills as the Veluwe.

Tip: Combine this route with the All About Paper cycle route. The two routes are connected by overlapping intersections, but this summer you can also take a steam train of the Veluwsche Stoomtrein Maatschappi to the starting points.

Start and finish: Transferium Eerbeek Stationsstraat 2, Eerbeek







Grand Café De Korenmolen Eerbeek



Kanaalweg 3, Eerbeek







NOBLE HOUSES

If you love manor houses, country estates, farms of all ages, mansions and ancient trees you'll be in your element on this route, because they are literally everywhere. The area around Brummen and Eerbeek has a high density of 'noble houses'. This route takes you through the centre and outskirts of Brummen. You can relax and enjoy the sight of some magnificent houses, and also some lush countryside too. After all, the area is wedged between the National Park De Veluwezoom and the River IJssel.



start Start and finish: Holiday park De Jutberg De Jutberg 78, Laag-Soeren





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Eerbeekseweg 6, Brummen







CENTRE OF THE NETHERLANDS

Hop onto your bike in Lunteren and cycle through the woods to the geographical centre - or Middelpunt - of the Netherlands. This route takes you from Lunteren past all sorts of interesting places in the Veluwe woodland. Stop just before intersection (3) at the Hessenhut to visit the centre of the Netherlands, but brace yourself for the Goudsberg hill on the way. As you cycle along, you will pass some historical sites such as the Celtic Fields (early agricultural field systems). Climb up to the De Koepel observation platform for a fantastic view of the surroundings.

Start and finish: Station Lunteren Spoorstraat 9, Lunteren







De Lunterse Boer Closed on Sunday



Boslaan 87, Lunteren







MILITARY LEGACY

The Veluwe region has had a military connection for 150 years. This route takes you back in time as you cycle past places that are linked to that history, including Ede's seven barracks. You will also follow in the footsteps of soldiers in the Second World War via Arnhem. This route takes you close to sites where fierce battles were fought for the freedom of the Netherlands during that time and other interesting places, such as the Ginkelse Heide which was the landing site for hundreds of allied parachutists.

Start Start and finish: Car park Veluwe Ede Nieuwe Kazernelaan, Ede





Verlengde Arnhemseweg 146, Ede



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HOME GROWN IN BINNENVELD

This route takes you through the green countryside of Binnenveld, which is the name of the area between Ede, Bennekom, Wageningen and Veenendaal. The winding Valleikanaal canal cuts through the lush open grasslands of Binnenveld, where many farmers have switched to organic farming. Along the way, you can stop off to sample and buy some of the tastiest regional food and drink produced in Binnenveld: delicious farmhouse cheese, creamy 'advocaat', freshly picked vegetables or crusty bread rolls made from local corn. By the end of this route, you might not need to do the groceries again for a while!

Start and finish: Car park Veluwe Ede Nieuwe Kazernelaan, Ede

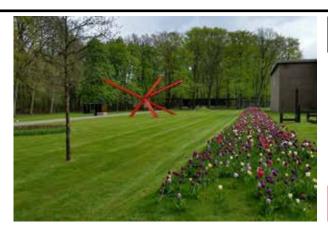




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🔝 Ginkelse Heide









A TASTE OF EDE

Discover Ede's best regional products, culture and scenery along this route. Ede is not only surrounded by beautiful Veluwe countryside, but it is also close to one of the largest collections of Van Gogh paintings in the world (at the Kröller-Müller Museum). Take a break from this pretty route by stopping off in Otterlo at Teahouse Mossel: an excellent place to have a rest and grab something to eat and drink.

Start Start and finish: Car park Veluwe Ede Nieuwe Kazernelaan, Ede





Mosselseweg 2, Otterlo



PAST CASTLES AND COUNTRY ESTATES

'Gelders Arcadië' is a part of National Park Veluwezoom known for its vast country estates, stately homes and castles. The hilly landscape has always held lots of appeal for well-to-do families, who built their country estates there including the most beautiful parks and gardens. This route takes you through the eastern part of the Veluwezoom, passing such places as the Landgoed Middachten estate in De Steeg (go right at intersection (83)) and Rosendael Park and Castle. To get there, the route takes you through magnificent heathland.



Start and finish: Postillion Hotel Arnhem Europaweg 25, Arnhem









Castle Middachten 3, De Steeg





LIBERATION ROUTE

Fierce battles were waged in the area between Arnhem and Nijmegen during the Second World War, such as the widely debated and unfortunately unsuccessful Allied operation 'Market Garden' which cost thousands of lives in September 1944. The Allies still had a lot of ground to cover before the whole of the Netherlands could be liberated from the German occupying forces. This route takes you from Doorwerth Castle past one of the 'Liberation Route Europe' audio spots and the recently renovated Airborne Museum at Hartestein where you can learn more about the conflict.



Start Start and finish: Kasteel Doorwerth Fonteinallee 2B, Doorwerth





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Utrechtseweg 232, Oosterbeek





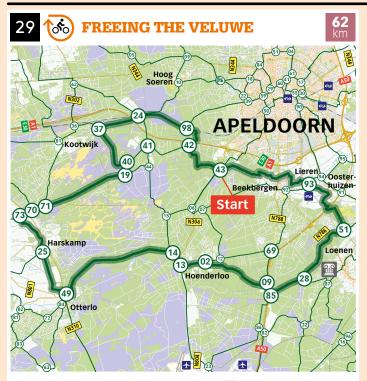
FREEING THE VELUWE

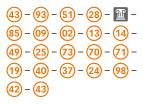
Following five years of occupation in the Second World War, during which the region was the scene of many events, the Veluwe was liberated by the Canadian army in 1945. This route takes you past various historical sites which played a central role in the liberation of the Veluwe. Go left at intersection (28) to cycle to the Nationaal Ereveld military cemetery in Loenen. This is the last resting place of almost 4,000 Dutch war casualties: soldiers and civilians.

Start Start and finish:

Transferium Het Leesten Hoenderloseweg 191, Ugchelen







Nationaal Ereveld Loenen



Groenendaalseweg 64, Loenen





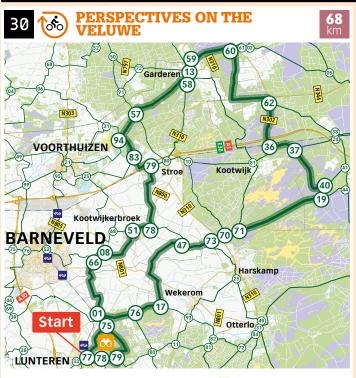


Gain a whole new perspective on the Veluwe during this cycle route. By stopping off at various vantage points in the area around Lunteren and Kootwijk, you can admire the surroundings from above. There are also numerous hides along the way for an extra chance to observe the local wildlife.

Tip: Don't forget your binoculars!

Start **Start and finish:** Station Lunteren Spoorstraat 9, Lunteren





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Boslaan 90, Lunteren