

INFO & VISIT AMSTERDAM LIKE A LOCAL

PRACTICAL INFO

Venue and address

B. Amsterdam
Johan Huizingalaan 763a, 1066 VH Amsterdam

The venue is located in the West part of Amsterdam. In the area called New-West.

How to reach the venue

By car
<http://b-buildingbusiness.com/amsterdam/parking-information-b-2/>

By public transport – tram, bus, metro
<http://b-buildingbusiness.com/amsterdam/public-transport/>

By train
This depends on which station you are traveling from. We suggest you to use <https://9292.nl/en> or Google Maps, using the destination address as mentioned above.

Public transport

For the tram, bus, and metro you can buy a day card (24 hours) for €7,50. This card you can buy either in the tram or in the bus. Or at the metro station at the ticket machine. Multiple day cards are also for sale. Most ticket machines accept Maestro cards (debit card), and Master or Visa Card. It is not possible to pay with cash money.

See for more info: <https://en.gvb.nl/reizen/producten-en-tarieven/ov-tarieven-2018>

For the train you need another ticket. See also 'Traveling from Schiphol Airport'.

If you intend to frequently travel by public transport, opt for the day card (€7,50 p/d) and charge it with any amount you want. This way, you travel at a cheaper rate every time you take the bus, tram or metro.

Find more info here: <https://en.gvb.nl/reizen/kaartje-kopen>

For timings and route planning we advise you to use: <https://9292.nl/en> or Google Maps.

Traveling from Schiphol Airport to Amsterdam

When you arrive at Schiphol Amsterdam Airport and you want to travel to your hotel or to Amsterdam city, please buy a train ticket or a public transport card for bus, tram, metro at the ticket machine or at the information desk at the airport. When you arrive at Eindhoven airport, you can take the bus to Eindhoven train station, which is a 20 minutes trip. From Rotterdam airport, the bus trip to Rotterdam Central train station costs €3,50 and takes less than 30 minutes. Make sure you buy a bus ticket with your bank card, cash payment is not accepted. At both Eindhoven and Rotterdam train station, you can buy a train ticket for the train to Amsterdam.

For specific *train* timings, from train station to train station: <https://www.ns.nl/>
For a door-to-door advise and time planning (including *all* public transport): <https://9292.nl/>

ACCOMMODATION TIPS

Just a note: Amsterdam is not that big of a city. Which means you will find a suitable accommodation in the city, and even outside the city, and still reach the venue within the hour by public transport. And by using the popular Dutch way of transport, the bike, you will reach even faster. There are many bike rental places you can find on google. You may check out: <http://www.rent-a-bike-amsterdam.com/?lang=en>

https://a-bike.eu/rent-a-bike-in-amsterdam/?gclid=Cj0KCOjwqM3VBRCwARIsAKcekb1MWBhQNSEBucgJ9Pv7I1lIm51mZN12qm cIbhuzk-oyUXYTxDUBneQaAhCgEALw_wcB

Tip

You might want to check out accommodation just outside Amsterdam as well. Check the smaller towns around the city like Amstelveen, Diemen, Hoofddorp, and Zaandam. Haarlem area is also a very good option to find (less expensive) accommodation. From Haarlem train station, a train will take you to station Amsterdam Sloterdijk every 15 minutes. From station Amsterdam Sloterdijk you can take the metro to the venue. <http://buildingbusiness.com/amsterdam/public-transport/>

Happy campers

For those who want to camp, Amsterdam has 4 campsites to offer you:

<https://www.campingzeeburg.nl/en/>

<http://www.gaaspercamping.nl/en/camping.html>

<https://www.campingamsterdam.com/en/>

<http://www.uilenstekkie.nl/index.php?lang=uk>

Hotels

Here are some hotels in the area of the venue.

Please have a look at www.booking.com as well and of course at the AirBnB site.

Dutch Design Hotel Artemis

John M. Keynesplein 2, Amsterdam

<http://www.artemisamsterdam.com/en/>

Corendon Vitality Hotel Amsterdam

Aletta Jacobslaan 7, 1066 BP Amsterdam

<https://www.corendonhotels.com/corendon-vitality-hotel-amsterdam/>

West side inn Amsterdam

Voorburgstraat 250, 1059 VD Amsterdam

<http://www.westsideinn.nl/en/>

XO Hotels Couture

Delflandlaan 15, 1062 EA Amsterdam

<https://xohotels.com/>

Hotel Jansen

Valschermarkade 19, 1059 CD Amsterdam

<http://hoteljansen.nl/>

Bastion hotel

Hendrikje Stoffelstraat 60, 1058 EV Amsterdam

<https://www.bastionhotels.com/en-gb/hotels/hotel-amsterdam-zuidwest>

Ibis Schiphol airport

Schipholweg 181, 1171 PK Badhoevedorp

<https://www.accorhotels.com/nl/hotel-0649-ibis-schiphol-amsterdam-airport/index.shtml>

VISIT AMSTERDAM LIKE A LOCAL

Quick Facts

Amsterdam is the Netherlands' capital, known for its artistic heritage, elaborate canal system and narrow houses with gabled facades, legacies of the city's 17th-century Golden Age. Its Museum District houses the Van Gogh Museum, works by Rembrandt and Vermeer at the Rijksmuseum, and modern art at the Stedelijk. Cycling is key to the city's character, and there are numerous bike paths.

To avoid the obvious tourist places, we have collected some of our favourite must see's & do's while you are in town. Like this, you will be visiting Amsterdam like a local!

Also, we've added our favourite vegetarian/vegan places for you where you can enjoy a 'happy' meal.

Amsterdam can be divided into 4 main areas: North, East, South and West.

All areas have their own flavour. If you want to explore Amsterdam like a local, rent a bike or explore the city by foot.

NORTH area – free ferry trip across the IJ River – a def must do!

This part of Amsterdam is a former shipping wharf area, now used as a space for artists/exhibitions/festivals and also includes offices and student housing.

To reach this part of the city, you have to cross the IJ-river. You can do so by taking the FREE ferry and treat yourself with a trip over the IJ River.

From the backside of the Central Station the free ferries depart to 3 parts of the North area.

We suggest you to take the ferry with destination NDSM wharf – a 20-minute trip. Have a stroll, enjoy the waterside and visit the great spots where you can have a coffee, lunch or a drink.

Some highly recommended food spots in this area are:

Noorderlicht <http://noorderlichtcafe.nl/>

IJ Kantine <https://www.ijkantine.nl/en/home-2/>

Pllek <http://www.pllek.nl/pllek-amsterdam-restaurant-ndsm-yoga.html>

Ceuvel <http://deceuvel.nl/en/cafe/cafe-home/>

More info about the NORTH area and its neighbourhoods:

<https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/about-amsterdam/amsterdam-neighbourhoods/noord>

EAST area – a bustling melting pot

East (Oost) is one of the more undiscovered areas of Amsterdam. This neighbourhood is a bustling melting pot with many terrific hidden gems. It is one of the upcoming neighbourhoods in Amsterdam! It seems that a new hotspot pops up almost every day. The East area is nearby the city centre, but has such a different vibe. A drink at the rooftop of The Volkshotel is a must to enjoy the stunning views over Amsterdam!

Feel as if you visit Turkey when you are in the Javastraat or feel and taste Surinam when visiting the Dappermarkt.

Some highly recommended vega(n) food spots in this area are:

Mr&Mrs Watson <https://www.watson.bar/en/>

Spirit <http://www.spiritrestaurants.nl/amsterdam/locatie/>

Instock (where they serve supermarket 'waste') <https://www.instock.nl/en/>

Volkshotel rooftop bar and hotel <https://www.volkshotel.nl/en/>

Roest <https://www.amsterdamroest.nl/>

More info about the EAST area and its neighbourhoods:

<https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/about-amsterdam/amsterdam-neighbourhoods/oost>

SOUTH area – De Pijp

Amsterdam's lively Latin Quarter, with its colourful mix of cuisines, terraces and convivial cafés. From the beautiful landscaped gardens of Sarphati park to the famous Albert Cuyp street market, De Pijp has been popular haunt for creatives, students and bohemian spirits since the 60s.

Some highly recommended vega(n) food spots in this area are:

Restaurant Waaghals <http://www.waaghals.nl/infoENG.htm>

Sir Hummus <https://www.sirhummus.nl/>

Restaurant Yerbabar <https://www.yerbabar.com/>

H-Earth-Amsterdam <https://hearthamsterdam.nl/>

Venkel <http://www.venkelsalades.nl/#venkel>

SLA (they have 11 locations in the city, check their website) <http://ilovesla.com/>

More info about De Pijp area: <https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/about-amsterdam/amsterdam-neighbourhoods/de-pijp>

WEST area - you'll want to revisit this vibrant neighbourhood time and time again

This part of the city is also called Oud-West, and is a special corner of Amsterdam - a popular, dynamic neighbourhood. Like the East part, the West area also is a melting pot, mainly with Moroccan and Turkish shops combined with trendy stores and cafes.

One of the newest places to go for food, film, fashion, crafts, retail, and architecture is the Hallen, a historic former tram depot totally transformed.

Some highly recommended vega(n) food spots in this area are:

Mastino vegan & glutenfree pizza <https://mastinovegan.nl/>

Meatless district http://www.meatlessdistrict.com/?menu_item=home&l=EN

The Dutch (sea;) Weed burger <https://dutchweedburger.com/en/>

Vegan Junk Food bar <https://www.veganjunkfoodbar.com/locations/staringplein/>

More info about the WEST area and its neighbourhoods:

<https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/about-amsterdam/amsterdam-neighbourhoods/oud-west>

Westerpark - for some nature, cultural, relaxing and chill out time

Adjacent to the centre, you will find the lively Westerpark neighbourhood, part of Amsterdam West. Home to the eponymous park, which combines expansive greenery with the Westergasfabriek's wealth of cultural goings on, this lively neighbourhood is home to a varied mix of independent shops, old-school street markets, shiny new restaurants, and traditional brown cafés.

Must visit vegan coffee & lunchroom: <http://koffieendekoeck.nl/>

More info: <https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/about-amsterdam/amsterdam-neighbourhoods/westerpark>

The Jordaan area – organic & vintage market and the famous Dutch apple pie

Connected to the West area you will find the must visit area - the Jordaan.

This area is famous for its canals, typical canal houses and of course for the organic market on Saturdays and the Vintage market on Mondays, both at the Noordermarkt. At the corner of the Noordermarkt, at Winkel, you will find the best Dutch apple pie in town.

More info: <https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/about-amsterdam/amsterdam-neighbourhoods/centre/jordaan>

9 straatjes or The Nine Streets

The quaint and quirky streets that straddle Amsterdam's grandest canals form the city's most photogenic micro-neighbourhood. Known to locals as De Negen Straatjes or 'The Nine Streets', this special neighbourhood is full to bursting with vintage and designer shopping, speciality

stores and cosy cafés.

More info: <https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/about-amsterdam/amsterdam-neighbourhoods/centre/9-streets>

Museums - A real treat for art-lovers, Amsterdam is home to a variety of world-famous museums.

For more info: <https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/see-and-do/things-to-do/museums-and-galleries>

For more information about Amsterdam have a look at these sites

<http://www.yourlittleblackbook.me/cityguide/amsterdam/>

<http://www.bartsboekje.com/?s=amsterdam>

<https://www.iamsterdam.com/en/about-amsterdam/amsterdam-neighbourhoods/neighbourhood-map>

Have a wonderful stay in Amsterdam. We look forward to welcome you!