

CYCLE ROUTES

REGIO ARNHEM

16

FREE
ROUTES



HAPPY CYCLING!

Arnhem is known for its rich history, creativity and culture, and is surrounded by some wonderful countryside. The city is the gateway to the Veluwe region, where you will encounter idyllic spots such as extensive woodlands, lateral moraines with views across floodplains, and reminders of the Second World War. Cycle along the meandering dykes, wonder at the wealth and splendour of stately homes and country estates, and stop for refreshments at any of the numerous restaurants and cafés. These 16 cycle routes will lead you to some of the best spots to relax as you take in the highlights of the Arnhem region.

All 16 cycle routes in this booklet make use of the Dutch cycle network. The routes are easy to follow by cycling from one numbered intersection to the next. All you need to do is keep track of the numbers of the intersections and follow the signposts. There are information panels at each intersection showing a map of the area and useful information.

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1



Hilly



Woods



Heathland

VELUWEZOOM ROUTE

46
km

The Veluwezoom National Park is in the southern part of the Veluwe region. The Veluwezoom is an outstanding area for cycling. This route takes you past a number of areas of natural beauty that change spectacularly with the seasons. The wooded, hilly landscape gives way to a river landscape. Start your route at Restaurant De Thermiekbel where the outdoor seating area provides views of Terlet airfield. Along the way, you will also pass the Bronbeek country estate: a museum and centre of expertise devoted to the Netherlands' colonial and military history. Park your bike for a while and deviate from the route to take a walk through the woods or over the heath and sand drifts. If you keep a lookout for animal tracks, you might even spot a deer or wild boar!



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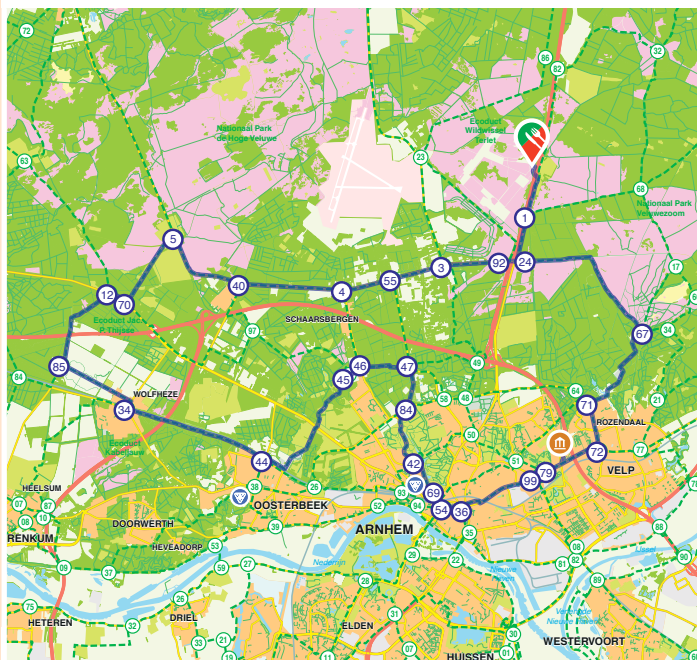
Restaurant De Thermiekbel
Apeldoornseweg 203, Arnhem



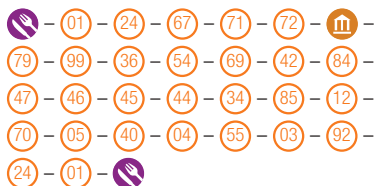
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VELUWEZOOM ROUTE

46
km

Numbers intersections cycle route:



Museum Bronbeek



Velperweg 147, Arnhem



2



Hilly



Varied

PAST STATELY HOMES AND COUNTRY ESTATES - EAST

45
km

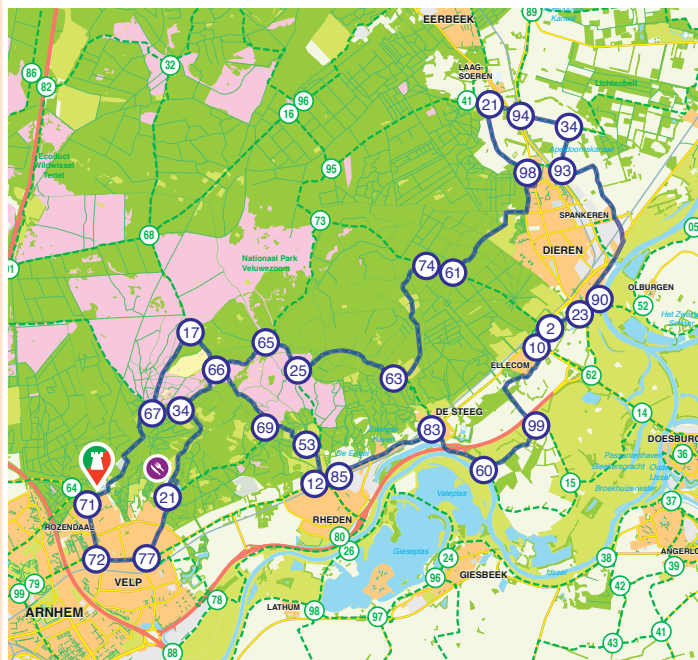
The hilly landscape of the Veluwezoom has always had a powerful appeal for well-to-do families. They built their country estates there and laid out the most beautiful gardens and parks, which is why the Veluwezoom is now known as 'Gelderland's Arcadia': an area of vast country estates, manors and stately homes. This route leads you through the eastern part of the area, past a number of stately homes and country estates. Start your route at Rosendaal, a magnificent castle and park. Along the way, you will cycle along the River IJssel and its floodplains, and through the Veluwezoom National Park. You will also pass the Buitenplaats Beekhuizen stately home situated on the Landgoed Beekhuizen country estate, where you can stop for refreshments.



Start and finish:

Rosendaal Park & Castle
Rosendaal 1, Rozendaal





Numbers intersections cycle route:



Beekhuizen
Stately Home



Bovenallee 1, Velp



3



Hilly



Varied

E-BIKE ROUTE - ARNHEM AND VELUWEZOOM

75
km

This e-bike route through the outskirts of Arnhem and the Veluwezoom takes you past the main highlights and some beautiful countryside in the area. The route has been specially devised for those on electric bikes, because there are several places where you can charge your bike along the way. From the Postillion Hotel (where you can also rent e-bikes from Veluwe Actief), you cycle from intersection (49) through the Veluwezoom woods. You can enjoy a delicious lunch and magnificent views at Paviljoen de Posbank. Afterwards, continue your route towards the centre of Arnhem (Arnhem Centrum) and over the Meinerswijk floodplains. Pause to reflect on the Second World War in Oosterbeek before continuing over the lateral moraine. If you would like to shorten the route, when you get to intersection (64), head in the direction of intersection (49) to arrive back at the Postillion Hotel.



Start and finish:

Postillion Hotel Arnhem
Europaweg 25, Arnhem

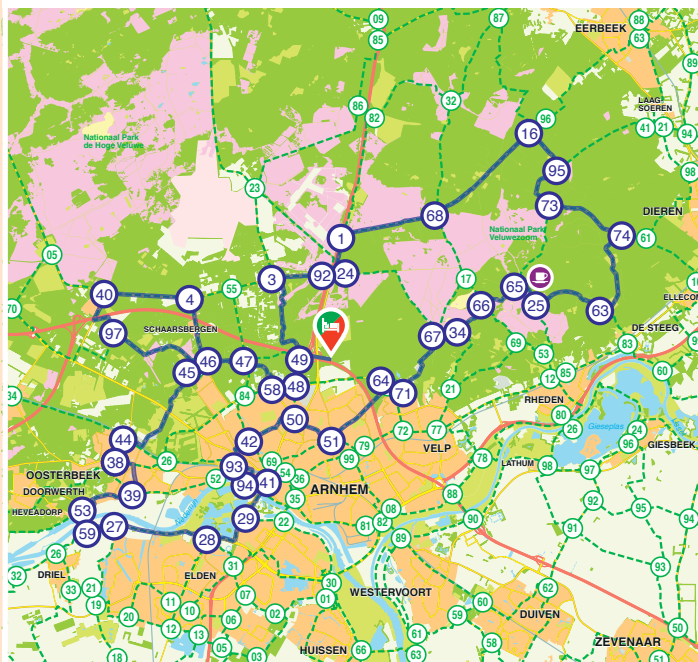


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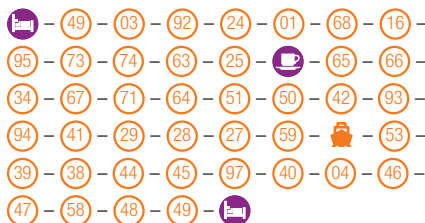


E-BIKE ROUTE - ARNHEM AND VELUWEZOOM

75 km



Numbers intersections cycle route:



Paviljoen de Posbank
At intersection 25, turn right
towards intersection 53.



Beekhuizenseweg 1, Rheden



4



Hilly



Woods



Dykes/rivers

PAST STATELY HOMES AND COUNTRY ESTATES - WEST

45
km

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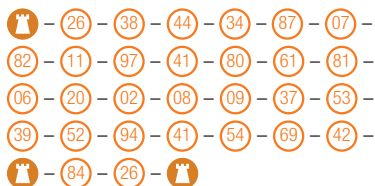
Start and finish:

Mariëndaal Country Estate
Schelmseweg 86, Oosterbeek





Numbers intersections cycle route:



Zypendaal House



Zijpendaalseweg 44, Arnhem



5

Flat



Dykes/rivers

THE BLUE GOLD - ALONG THE IJssel

47
km

Several rivers, such as the Rhine, the Nederrijn and the IJssel converge in the Arnhem region. These rivers are the precious 'blue gold' running through the landscape, supporting a treasure trove of cultural and historical heritage. This route along the IJssel River starts at the Landgoed Rhederoord country estate, where it is possible to spend the night in the authentic country manor and enjoy a gourmet dinner in the Koetshuis (coach house). Along the way, you will pass forts, picturesque villages, interesting architecture, locks and inviting outdoor cafés. The Laliq Museum at intersection (36) is holding an exhibition of De Stijl from July onwards. The exhibition highlights the similarities and differences between various Dutch artists and their influence on art elsewhere. In other words, there are plenty of highlights along the IJssel!



Start and finish:

Rhederoord Country Estate
Parkweg 19, De Steeg

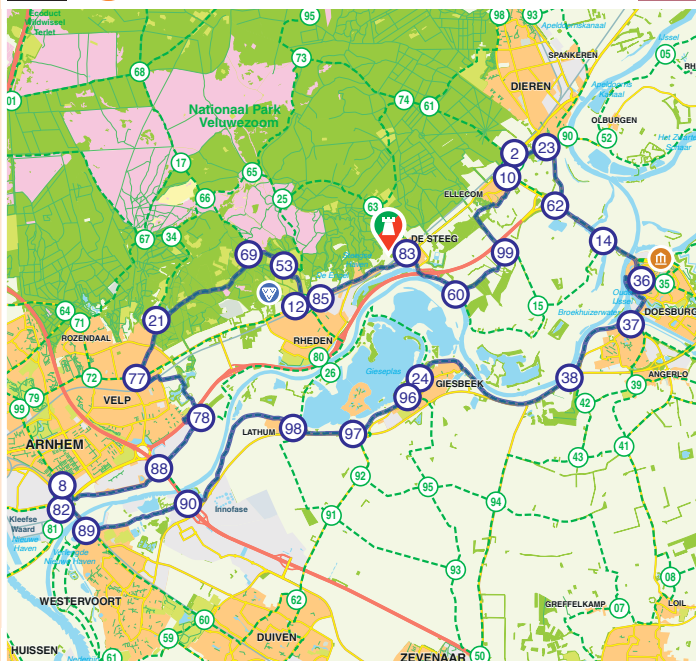


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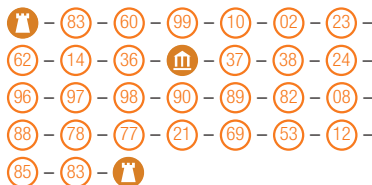


THE BLUE GOLD - ALONG THE IJSSEL

47 km



Numbers intersections cycle route:



Lalique Museum



Gasthuisstraat 1, Doesburg



6



Partly flat



Gentle inclines



Dikes/rivers

LIBERATION ROUTE ARNHEM

38
km

Fierce battles were waged in the area between Arnhem and Nijmegen during the Second World War, and the failure of the renowned Allied operation called 'Market Garden' in September 1944 cost thousands of lives. The Liberation Route Arnhem starts close to the Airborne Museum at Hartenstein, where you can learn about the Battle of Arnhem. After that, follow the Rhine for a while, crossing the river over the John Frostbrug. This bridge is widely known as the 'Bridge Too Far' due to the classic film of the same name about the battle between the Germans and the British to capture it. You will also pass part of the area where the parachutists landed in September 1944. If all that cycling has given you an appetite, Roadhouse Arnhem (after intersection 70) is an American-style steakhouse serving authentic American food.



Start and finish:

Airborne Museum at Hartenstein
Utrechtseweg 232, Oosterbeek



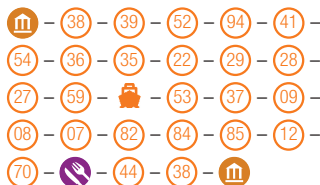
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LIBERATION ROUTE ARNHEM

38
km

Numbers intersections cycle route:



**Restaurant
Roadhouse Arnhem**



Amsterdamsesweg 467, Arnhem



Take Amsterdamsesweg after intersection 70. Follow the route along Dreijensesweg until you reach intersection 44.



7



Partly flat



Dykes/rivers



Gentle inclines

FERRIES ACROSS THE RHINE - RENKUMSE FERRY AND LEKKES FERRY

46
km

Discover the diversity of the Dutch countryside on this cycle route, which combines marshy floodplains and gently rolling landscapes on the lateral moraines of the Veluwe with local history. For an extra touch of adventure, you cross the Rhine twice on little ferries, the Renkumse ferry and the Lexkes ferry – which has been running since the Middle Ages! The route starts at the sports hub of Hotel Papendal, where the food is not only delicious but healthy too, so you will have plenty of energy for cycling. Later, you can stop for a break at Hotel de Wereld. Besides grabbing a bite to eat, you can learn more about the peace negotiations that took place there in 1945.

Please note: the ferry between intersections 02 and 76 only sails in the summer months. Consult uiterwaarde.nl for sailing times.



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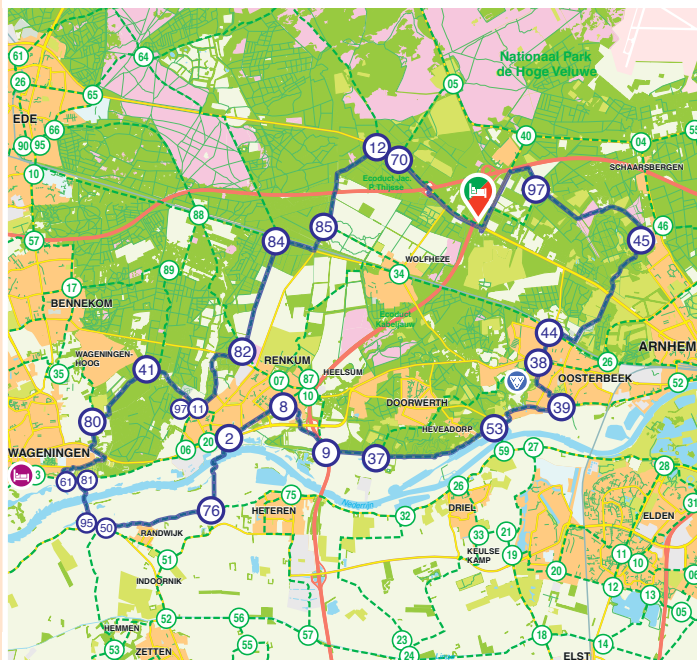
Hotel Papendal
Papendallaan 3, Arnhem



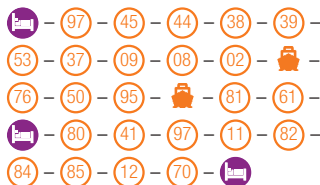
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FERRIES ACROSS THE RHINE - RENKUMSE FERRY AND LEXKES FERRY

46
km

Numbers intersections cycle route:



Hotel de Wereld



5 Mei Plein 1, Wageningen



8

Flat



Rural



Dykes/rivers

TOUR OF LIEMERS

49
km

If you want to get away from busy towns and cities, come and cycle in the Liemers! You'll pass through quiet, pretty areas of natural beauty and small towns. The Liemers region has a rich cultural history. The 'Tour of Liemers' starts in Zevenaar, where you can visit the Turmac Cultuurfabriek for a variety of social, educational and cultural programmes. Be sure to visit the Kunstwerk! Liemers Museum in the Cultuurfabriek to admire artworks and exhibitions of all sorts of objects that reflect the history of Liemers. This route then takes you through various river landscapes and grasslands, and passes places of interest such as the magnificent Huis Loowaard manor house farm and the former rooftile factory and brickworks called De Panoven.

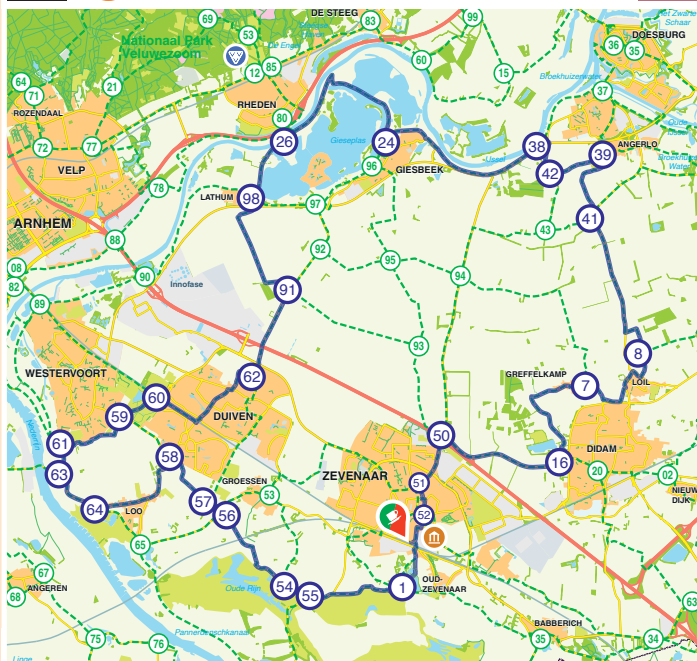
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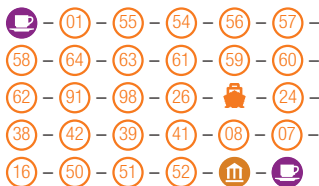
Start and finish:

Turmac Cultuurfabriek
Kerkstraat 27, Zevenaar





Numbers intersections cycle route:



Kunstwerk!
Liemers Museum



Kerkstraat 27, Zevenaar



 (based at the Turmac Cultuurfabriek)



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Flat



Dykes/rivers



Rural

HISTORIC LIEMERS

49
km

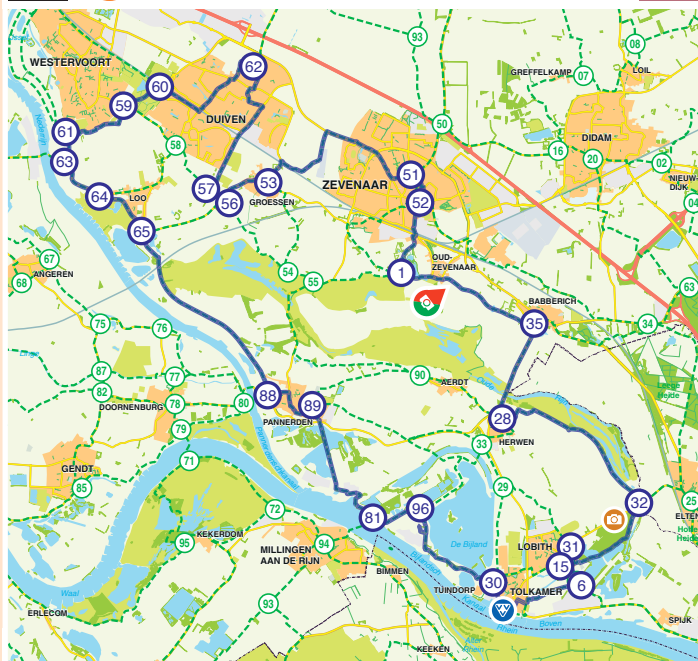
The rivers have always had a major impact on the landscape and the history of the Liemers. This route takes you past historical sites along the rivers Nederrijn (Lower Rhine), the Oude Rijn (Old Rhine) and the current Rhine. You will also cycle through the Geitenwaard and the Klijfwaard where the Rhine splits into the River Waal and the Pannerdensch Canal. The route starts in Oud-Zevenaar, a charming historical village protected by a dyke with the Sint Martinuskerk church – a national heritage site – built on a mound. Head south from the church to the Rosandse Polder observation point. From there, you have a magnificent view of the Rijnstrangen area of natural beauty. On a clear day, you can even see the church in Hoch Elten in Germany in the distance. Along the way, you will cycle past the former Roman fort of Carvium, a redoubt (an enclosed, defensive polygonal fortification) and the mediaeval manor, Havezate Magerhorst.






Start and finish:

Oud-Zevenaar Centre
Kerkweg 8, Oud-Zevenaar



49
km

	(35)	(28)	(32)		(31)
(15)	(06)	(30)	(96)	(81)	(89)
(88)	(65)	(64)	(63)	(61)	(59)
(60)	(62)	(57)	(56)	(53)	(51)
(52)	(01)				

Eltenseweg 7, Lobith



10



Flat



Dykes/rivers



Rural

THE LIEMERS

37
km

In the mid-1800s, the area around the rivers in Gelderland became the centre of Dutch brick manufacturing. The energy-efficient round kiln was introduced around that time and the rivers provided good transport links for raw materials. This cycle route takes you past the Liemers' brickwork heritage. The route starts at the country house known as Buitengoed de Panoven. Formerly a brick and tile factory dating back to 1850, it now serves good food and also offers accommodation. Halfway along the route, you will pass the water sports centre De Bijland. Nearby, Vandersanden BV – one of the last large brickworks in the Netherlands – is still operational and continues to make extensive use of the River Rhine.



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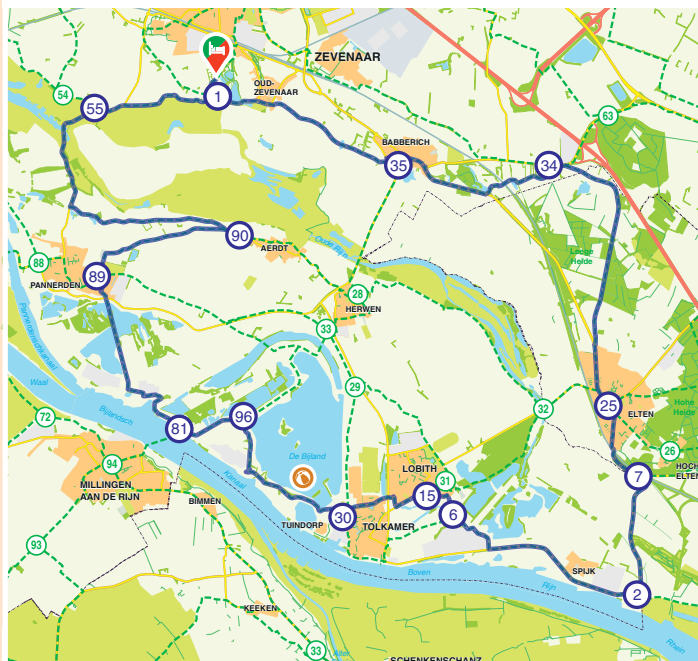
Country House De Panoven
Panovenweg 18, Zevenaar



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THE LIEMERS

37
km

Numbers intersections cycle route:

Recreation area
de Bijland

De Bijland 2a, Tolkamer



11



Flat



Dykes/rivers



Rural

DROWNED VILLAGES - EAST

44
km

The water flowing through the Rivers Waal, Rhine and IJssel always had a major impact on the landscape and daily life for the residents of the Arnhem region. The 'Drowned Villages' cycle routes enable you to explore the marshy areas in the surroundings. This eastern route takes you past villages where the water gained the upper hand: Herwen, Westervoort and Leuven. The route starts at the country house known as Buitengoed de Panoven, near marshland and an area that was formerly part of the Rhine: the Rijnstrangen. Follow the route through Nationaal Landschap de Gelderse Poort, taking the hand-operated mini ferry across the River Oude Waal between intersections **33** and **96**. You can see Fort Panterden on your left at intersection **80**. Follow the route northwards through the Betuwe region and, after crossing the River Nederrijn (Lower Rhine), cycle past the Hondsbroeksche Pleij, a former water meadow which played a crucial role in preventing flooding. This cycle route can be combined with route 16: 'Drowned Villages – West'.



Start and finish:

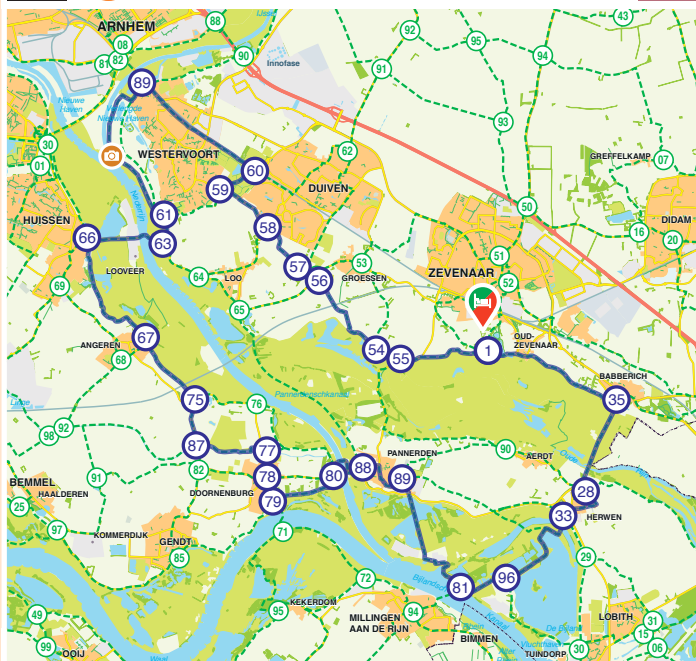
Country House De Panoven
Panovenweg 18, Zevenaar



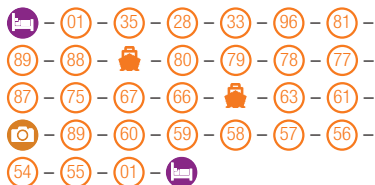
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DROWNED VILLAGES - EAST

44
km

Numbers intersections cycle route:



Hondsbroeksche Pleij

Pleijdijs, Westervoort



12



Partly flat



Dykes/rivers



Urban

THE BLUE GOLD - ALONG THE RHINE

44
km

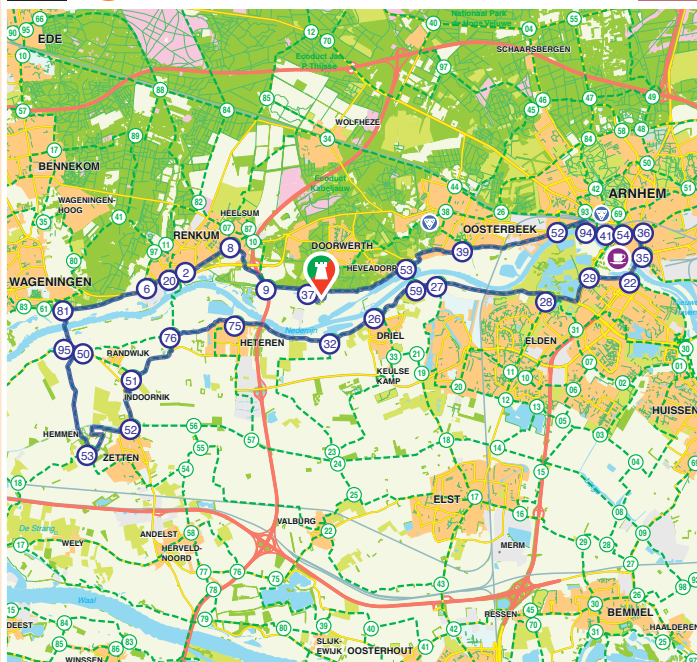
The rivers in the Arnhem region are the precious 'blue gold' running through the landscape, supporting a treasure trove of cultural and historical heritage. This route along the Rhine takes you past numerous places of interest and some of the best places to visit. It starts at the mediaeval Castle Doorwerth. The castle is surrounded by magnificent greenery in the floodplains, with a view of the Veluwe's lateral moraine. Inside, you can get a sense of how life used to be on the country estate. The route takes you through the centre of Arnhem, where you can stop for coffee and some delicious apple cake at restaurant Dudok in the characteristic 7straatjes district. Located in the former Van Ranzow's Bank, a national heritage site dating back to 1920, Dudok has a large sunny terrace with views of the imposing Eusebius Church. The route continues along the south side of the Rhine where you cycle along the dyke with views of the lock and dam complex at Driel.



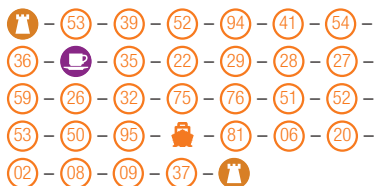
Start and finish:

Doorwerth Castle
Fonteinallée 2B, Doorwerth





Numbers intersections cycle route:



Dudok Arnhem



Koningstraat 40, Arnhem



After intersection (36), go right at the roundabout; from Walburgstraat turn onto Koningstraat.



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Flat



Dykes/rivers



Rural

ALONG THE LINGE

43
km

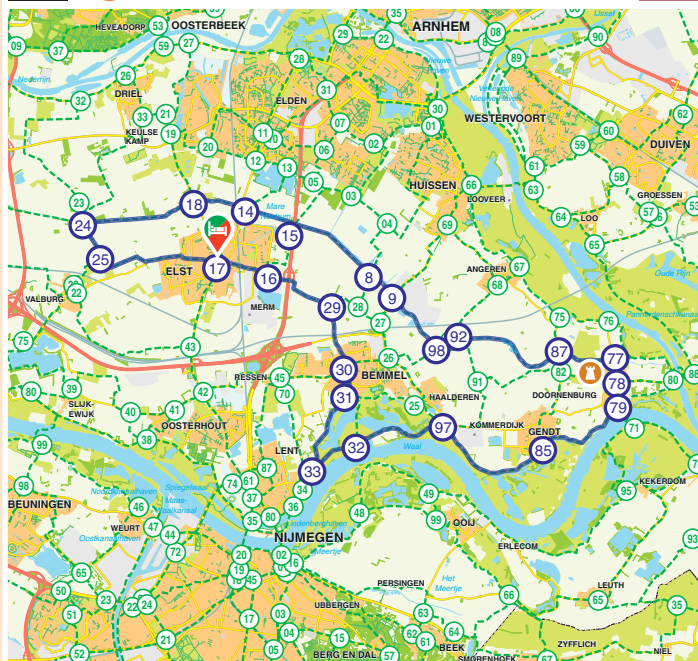
In old Dutch, 'Linge' was the word for 'long', which is how – at 108 kilometres in length – the River Linge got its name. The river starts at Doorenborg and flows through the Betuwe region to Gorinchem. The Linge landscape is magnificently varied, with orchards, meadows, osier beds and reed banks. Large parts of the Linge are narrow and no longer accessible for motorboats, which makes the surroundings particularly idyllic. This route starts at the Linge Hotel in Elst. Follow the river all the way to Doorenborg, where you will find the impressive mediaeval castle, Kasteel Doorenborg. A visit to nearby Fort Pansterdam is also worthwhile. To get there, deviate slightly from the route by cycling to intersection (80) from intersection (78). The fort actually has five levels, but many of them are hidden below ground! The route then takes you back to the start via the River Waal's floodplains. This area is a haven for birdwatchers.



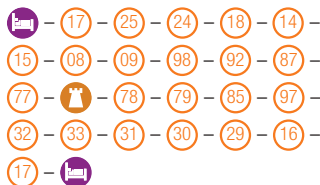
Start and finish:

Linge Hotel
Dorpsstraat 23 Elst, lingehotelelst.nl
Park at Land van Tap, Wagenmakersstraat 17 Elst





Numbers intersections cycle route:



Doornenburg Castle



Kerkstraat 27, Doornenburg



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Flat



Rural



Dykes/rivers

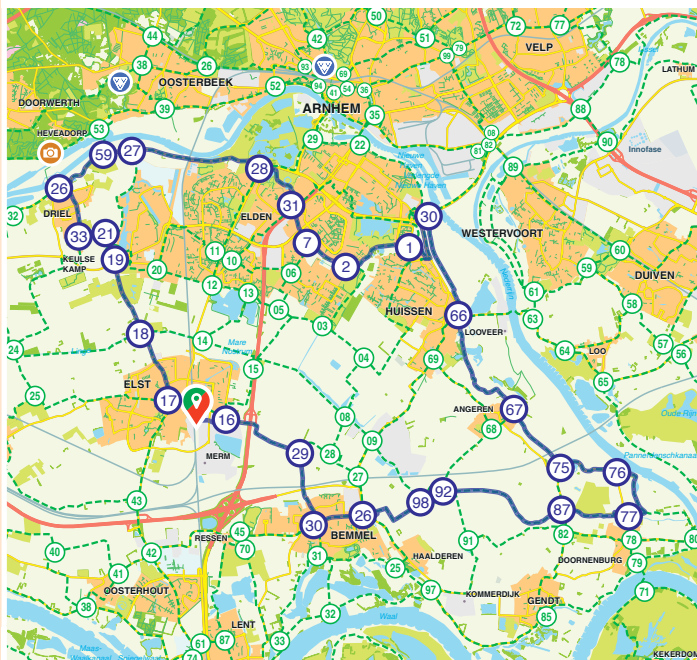
WATER AS A WEAPON

42
km

The fact that people could use water as a weapon became obvious during the Second World War. A large part of the border region between the Netherlands and Germany flooded in December 1944, and dykes near to Kleve in Germany were blown up in February 1945 as a means of defence. The soldiers made use of high river levels to defend themselves against the enemy. The floods had major consequences for residents, the warring factions and inland shipping. Nonetheless, the water was unable to prevent the advance of the allied forces. This cycle route takes you past sites where water gained historic significance during the Second World War. As you start, deviate from the route a little between intersections (24) and (25) to take in the Landgoed Schoonderlogt country estate, which was made famous by the TV series Band of Brothers. Halfway along the route, you will pass the lock and dam complex at Driel which regulates the water supply into the IJsselmeer and ensures that sufficient fresh water remains available for agriculture and shipping.

Start and finish:
Station Elst
Energieweg 12, Elst





Numbers intersections cycle route:



Lock and dam complex Driel



Drielse Rijdijk, Driel



15



Flat



Rural



Dykes/rivers

FERRIES ACROSS THE RHINE - RENKUMSE AND DRIELSE FERRY

40
km

This cycle route takes you through the magnificent water-meadow landscape of the Rhine and the varied Betuwe region. Along the way, you will cross the Rhine twice on little ferries: the Drielse Ferry and the Renkumse Ferry. The Drielse Ferry is sustainably driven by solar power. The route starts at Doorwerth Castle which houses three museums. The route takes you through bustling Elst and across the Betuwe region. Thanks to the rivers, the Betuwe has a lot of fertile farmland resulting in an abundance of colourful orchards in the region. For the ultimate holiday feeling, stop off at one of the numerous stalls along the way selling freshly picked apples, cherries and strawberries.

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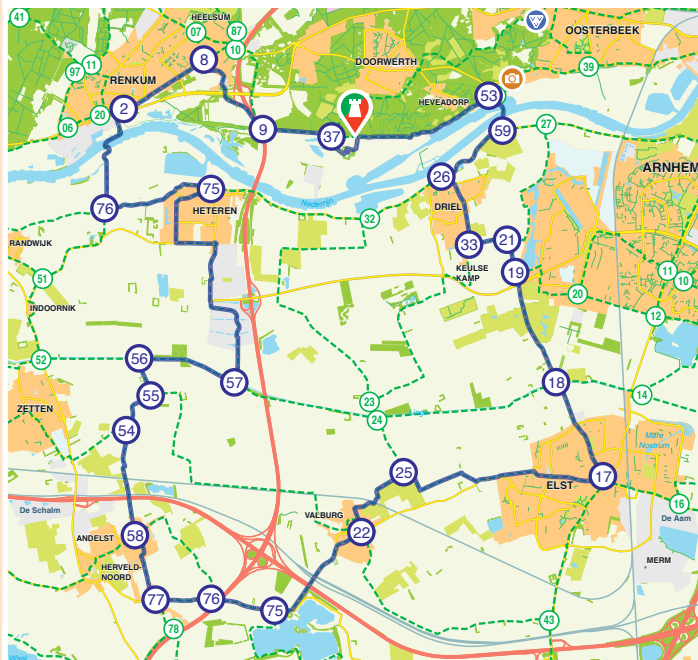
Start and finish:

Doorwerth Castle
Fonteinallée 2B, Doorwerth

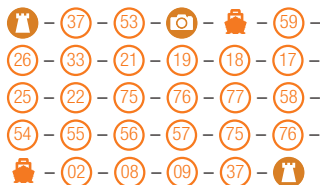




FERRIES ACROSS THE RHINE - RENKUMSE AND DRIELSE FERRY

40
km

Numbers intersections cycle route:



Drielse ferry



Rijnbeekstraat, Driel



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Flat



Dykes/rivers



Rural

DROWNED VILLAGES - WEST

56
km

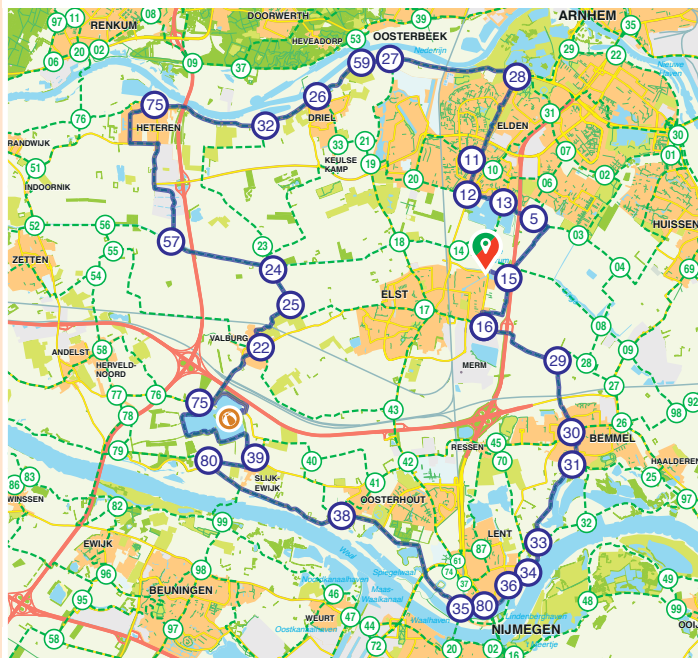
For centuries, the water in the Rivers Waal, Rhine and IJssel had a major impact on the landscape and daily life of the residents of the Arnhem region. The 'Drowned Villages' cycle routes enable you to explore the marshy areas in the surroundings. This western route takes you past villages where the water gained the upper hand: Doornik, Oosterhout and Heteren. Start your route at the car park called Het Waterrijk. When you reach the first intersection on your route, number 15, you'll see the Het Waterrijk bird hide: a treat for all birdwatchers. Follow the route clockwise and, about halfway around, you'll pass Strandpark Slijk-Ewijk: a man-made beach and watersports centre with plenty to do and see for people of all ages. From Heteren, the route follows the Rhine, passing the impressive lock complex at Driel and the Meinerswijk floodplains. This cycle route can be combined with route 11: 'Drowned Villages – East'.



Start and finish:

Car park Het Waterrijk
1e Weteringsewal, Elst





Numbers intersections cycle route:



Beach Park Slijk-Ewijk



Valburgsestraat 45,
Slijk-Ewijk