

Basic maps

LF routes network

The most complete bicycling holiday atlas
of the Netherlands

Information booklet

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Explore the Netherlands on National Bicycle Routes

The network of National Bicycle routes ("LF-routes") is the perfect foundation for any multiple-day bicycle trip in the Netherlands and this atlas offers the best map resource. With more than 4,500 kilometers (2,700 miles) of sign-posted routes brought together in 43 pages with topographical maps, you can plan an unlimited number of cycle routes. The routes take you on bicycle paths of peaceful country roads so you will fully enjoy what gives the Netherlands the nickname in Dutch of "Fietsland" (Bicyclecountry).

LF-routes cross through the entire country of the Netherlands and all its regions: they go through rural areas, nature preserves and along rivers, but also through historic city centers. The routes are signposted in both directions and as a whole provide a complete network for cycling vacations and other long-distance bicycle trips in the Netherlands. The LF-network consists of more than 20 long-distance bike routes that are numbered (LF1, LF2, etc.). The routes can be used separately, but the network is especially suited to planning longer, individually tailored cycling trips. A number of these have already been collectively tailored for this aim; for example, the "Ronde van Nederland", is made up of the LF1, LF10, LF14, LF4, LF3 and LF13. But there are also more modest treks such as the "Rondje Twente". The quality of LF-routes is guaranteed. With the assistance of many volunteers, they are carefully mapped out and monitored. With pleasantly surprising choices of paths and roads. The LF-routes make cycling the means to an unforgettable journey of exploration in the Netherlands.

Not the quickest, but the most scenic

The "Landelijke Fietsroutes" (national bicycle routes) are not the quickest routes. In order to remain on peaceful roads you'll often need to navigate over minor detours. Those who want to commute quickly from one location to another can take the usual routes, mostly next to busy thoroughfares. Those who would like to relax and enjoy bicycling choose the LF-routes. Though they may sometimes be somewhat longer, they are more scenic and many decibels quieter. That makes them the perfect routes for every short or long bicycle holiday lasting from one weekend to an extended cycle trek involving several weeks.

The LF-routes follow paths and roads that are navigable for a regular bicycle with respect to both the road surface as well as inclines.

LF and "knooppunten" (junctions)

Practically the entire country of the Netherlands has been signposted with regional bicycle route networks or networks of junction points ("knooppuntnetwerken"). The LF routes and the junction point routes complement each other: LF-routes offer a national network; junction points form a more detailed regional network.

The junction point networks are also signposted in two directions. The signs are similar to those of the LF routes: rectangular with green lettering.

The principle is simple. Every "knooppunt" or junction point (actually: choice point) in the network has a number. The signposting guides from number to number. You choose ahead of time through which numbers your route should pass and then follow the self-selected 'fietsmenu' (bicycle menu) from junction to junction.

Because the junction point routes and the LF routes are compatible, by using junction points you can bicycle to a destination that is not located directly on an LF route or deviate from the LF route that goes through a city center which you would prefer to detour around.

A distinct difference between these networks is that the LF routes are easier to follow when traveling longer distances, for example the LF7 from Alkmaar to Maastricht. When using the junction points you follow a different number for each leg of the journey so that a route of 30 kilometers can easily include 10 different junction point numbers.

Bicycling across the border

The Flemish LF network connects with the Dutch network. Various LF-routes, such as the LF1, LF2, LF5, LF6 and LF7 run partially through the Netherlands and partially through Flanders. The Flemish network is administered and maintained by Toerisme Vlaanderen in cooperation with Grote Routepaden. On www.groteroutepaden.be you can find an overview of the Flemish LF routes and the publications in which they are described. The website www.vlaanderen-vakantieland.be/fietsen gives information about the Flemish LF-net.

Germany also has many signposted, long-distance bicycle routes.

The LF8, a branch of the LF4 that runs between Borculo and Zwiłbroek, connects at the border to the Euroroute R(adweg) 1, a signposted route that cuts across Germany to a point within Poland, and that is slated to be extended to Saint Petersburg. And the LF-Rijn-deltaroute connects in Milligen to the Niederrheinroute as a segment of the international Rijnfietsroute. For more information about the route possibilities in Germany, contact the Allgemeine Deutsche Fahrrad Club, abbreviated as ADFC (www.adfc.de).

Europafietsers has a great deal of information about bicycle routes in Europe (www.europafietsers.nl).

You can also contact www.fietsvakantiewinkel.nl.

Directions

It is easy to follow an LF route: signs along the route point the way in both directions to attractive paths and roads. The overview map, the 43 detailed maps and the information book from this atlas help you plan and implement your bicycle trip.

Overview map

The overview map shows the division of detailed maps and the comprehensive courses of the LF routes. Based on this map, choose which LF routes or segments of LF routes you would like to follow to see which map pages you will need to take with you.

For the segments between the crossings of two LF crossings (the points where different LF-routes intersect) the distance of the given segment is noted in kilometers. This allows you to evaluate how long the journey will take and to divide the total distance into segments.

Blue numbers on the overview map indicate the ferry crossings on the LF-routes. These numbers correspond to the numbers given on the detailed maps and in the overview of the sailing times in this booklet. Be careful: some ferries do not sail on Sundays and there are ferries that sail only during the summer season.

Map pages

On the 43 maps you will see a topographical image of the entire country of the Netherlands. The LF basic map is the only bicycle atlas with loose-leaf pages of the country. The maps are printed on 22 double-sided map pages. On the reverse side of map 1 is map 23, on the reverse side of map 2, map 24, etc. This enables you to lay consecutive maps next to each other while you are planning your route.

The scale of 1:100,000 is especially suited for long-distance bicyclists with sufficient overview for route planning and good detail to determine your exact route choice. On the maps you will find the whole LF network as well as all of the regional networks based on junction points.

Not only are the exact courses and numbers of the routes shown on the LF route maps, but the ferries on the routes are also indicated. By referencing the ferry number in this booklet you can find the corresponding sailing times.

Fietsers Welkom!

A unique addition on the maps is the "Fietsers Welkom!" (bicyclists welcome!) businesses which include 1,000 restaurant and lodging addresses where--as a bicyclist--you enjoy special benefits. In addition, there are some other categories of bicyclist-friendly accommodations on the map: Trekkershutten (trekkers' huts), Stayokay-hostels, Natuurkampeerterreinen (nature campgrounds) and Nivonhuizen.

An extended LF trip actualized

You can begin your LF trip anywhere: from home, a train station or a location you ride to with a car (and perhaps return by bicycle). If there isn't an LF-route at your point of departure, then you can depend on the signposting from junction point network routes or the maps in this binder to help you find the closest LF route. Train stations are convenient places to begin and/or end your LF bicycle trip, if only because LF routes come in the neighborhoods of all the important stations. You will find the train stations indicated on the maps.

To plan each day's trip and the places where you can stay overnight, you can use the route distances that are shown per segment on the map.

LF bicycle holidays with a theme and LF arrangements

Based on the national network of LF-routes the bicyclists' organization, the "Fietsplatform", compiles routes with a theme fairly regularly, such as the route along the Dutch coast (Nederlandse Kustroute), the Rijneldtaroute/Rivierenlandronde and the Zuiderzeeroute. An especially classic route is the "Ronde van Nederland" with accompanying route guide, topographical maps (1:100,000), considerable background information and an overview of selected accommodations for lodging. Besides this route, several free folders with theme routes will be made available in 2012.

If you like to travel with all inclusive conveniences, then consider the LF bicycle route arrangements. These arrangements vary from weekend trips to a whole week of bicycling, with overnight accommodations in carefully selected hotels. Luggage transport service is included. For example, one of the bicycle holiday arrangements is the LF "Rondje Zuiderzee" that you can book as a seven-day bicycle roundtrip through Fietsrelax (www.fietsrelax.nl).

Signposting in practice

All LF routes are signposted in both directions. Standard information included on all LF signs is the route number--for instance LF4--as well as the letter "a" or "b" to indicate the direction. Generally speaking, the "a" direction goes from

north to south or from west to east while the "b" indicates the other directions.

The standard signposting consists of rectangular route signs. The small versions of these signs are fixed to posts or poles along the road shoulder/verge and you will encounter these in the rural areas. In addition, in more populated areas there are larger LF signs that are attached to poles. At junctions with other LF routes you will find other guides.

Along older LF routes such as for the LF1 or LF4 the route directions are given at the bottom edges of the ANWB "paddenstoelen" signs (these four-sided signs resemble toadstools with the 'umbrella' part with directions mounted on a short post). This information appears on stickers with the route number and the direction. Finally, you will sometimes encounter LF stickers that serve as temporary signposting whenever a sign has disappeared.

Types of LF signposting

Bicycle and train

Your own bicycle can be transported by train outside of rush hours and, regardless of the distance, costs €6.00 per day. At the ticket vending machine you would need to buy a "Dagkaart Fiets" (day ticket bicycle). You load your bicycle in the designated compartment of the train which you can recognize by the bicycle logo sticker above the door. For information about traveling by train:

www.ns.nl of www.9292ov.nl or by telephone with public transportation information number "OV Reisinformatie" 0900-9292 (€0,70 per minute).

LF-routeplanner on the internet

To compile your route you can also use the LF-routeplanner on the internet: www.nederlandfietsland.nl you can put together an LF bicycle trip according to your own wishes and then print out the description of the route to take with you and also possibly the points of interest along the way. You can also access this site for the most current information about the LF-routes and costs and tips from other LF bicyclists.

Sign gone?

If the signposting is not correct, then we would like to hear about it. You can report this at the Meldsysteem Bewegwijzering Fietsroutenetwerken at www.nederlandfietsland.nl. The system communicates the report to the correct maintenance authority. The concern here is a report about LF signs and junction point signs.

Note:

- route name, -number and direction of the LF route ("a" or "b") or number of the junction point sign*
- location: preferably the name of the town or city and the street names of the crossing (on the way draw the point on a map)*

LF and junction point signposting

Being the organization responsible for the management of the LF network, the Fietsplatform esteems to an optimal coordination of the national LF network with the junction point networks that are developed by regional tourism agencies. Currently, the courses of the LF routes are being modified at various places with the expectation that the LF routes and the junction point segments will be compatible during the year 2012. Out of consideration for the various target groups--long-distance bicyclists for the LF routes and day-trip bicyclists for the junction point networks--the current signposting will continue. Where the junction point network intersects with an LF route, the signs will be placed in close proximity as much as possible.

Thematic LF routes

The LF route network consists altogether of more than 4,500 kilometers of signposted routes. Within this network you can compile a route reflecting your own wishes. But as management of the network the Fietsplatform has also put together a number of attractive thematic routes for you. In the thematic routes (segments of) LF routes are linked together.

The Coast Route of the Netherlands

Cycling along the Dutch coast means bicycling with wind blowing through your hair. Sometimes a tailwind, sometimes a headwind, but you always experience the wonderful "flavor" of the coast. For this route you follow the LF1 and LF10 that are good for about 570 kilometers. The LF1 between Sluis and Den Helder are quite distinctive because of their long stretches of dunes along the Dutch coast and through the islands of South Holland and Zeeland. Small seaside resorts and historic cities provide for enjoyable stops along the route. The LF10 from Callantsoog to Nieuweschans runs through one of the most peaceful and sparsely populated portions of the Netherlands and yet offers a great deal of variety, including the former tidal flats (Wadden) island of Wieringen and various authentic ("terp") towns and small cities. For those who do not want to cycle over the Afsluitdijk or want to combine a visit to some of the tidal flats islands, a visit via Texel and Vlieland is an enjoyable alternative.

The LF1 and LF10 form the Dutch share of the 6,000-kilometer-long international "Noordzeeroute", the North Sea Cycle Route (www.northsea-cycle.com). So, if the mood strikes you, you can just cycle over the border.

Rijndeltaroute

The 255-kilometer-long Rijndeltaroute between Millingen and Hoek Van Holland consists of various segments of LF routes. You follow a beautiful course through the broad river region of the Rhine in the Netherlands. This river area is expansive with many branches. Also along the route is a great deal of newly developed nature areas resulting in a more wild and forested river landscape.

For this route you follow some of the LF4, the entire LF17 and then a segment of the LF12. During your trip you cycle along the branches of the Veluwe region, the Utrechtse Heuvelrug and the estates along the Kromme Rijn. Afterward you go through the Betuwe with its winding river, the Linge. You will see ships on the Waal, the Biesbosch, the Kinderdijk and, finally, the world-class harbor city of Rotterdam.

The "Rijndeltaroute" represents the Dutch portion of the impressive 1300-kilometers-long International Rhine Route.

Rondje Twente

This cycle route is an attractive option for a weekend of bicycling. The 165-kilometer route consists of sections from the LF18, LF14, LF15 and LF8. You will enjoy the scenic Twente landscape with its rolling fields and patchwork of pastures, wood hedges, woods, brooks and characteristic farm houses.

Twente is a region with great qualities: it has a diverse, small-scale and panoramic landscape with important nature preserves and many green estates. The farmland possesses unequaled charm and quietude. But you will also pass through characteristic cities such as Ootmarsum, Denekamp and Deldene. In Enschede and the surrounding area you will see the traces of a richly industrial past. Fortunately, many traditional folk customs have been able to be maintained in Twente, such as the "klootschieten". Perhaps this has contributed to feeling of the true 'Twente-experience'.

For more weekend trips, see
www.nederlandfietsland.nl.

Zuiderzeeroute

A round trip of the former Zuiderzee--now the IJsselmeer--is understandably a uniquely cherished bicycle adventure. By cycling the Zuiderzeeroute you experience the rich history of what is also called the 'Golden Circle'. The industriousness of the various fishing villages, the peaceful and spacious feeling in the Wieden and Weerribben, the extensive forests of the Veluwe, but also the wide horizons of the Flevoland polder landscape.

The Zuiderzeeroute consists of three LF routes: LF21, LF22 and LF23. The total length is about 400 kilometers. But you can shorten the route in a variety of ways, for instance by choosing a detour through the Flevopolder or by taking the ferry between Enkhuizen and Stavoren or Urk.

In the bicycling guide for this route you will find a loose information booklet and three double-sided, printed and folded sheets that are of A2-size water- and tear-proof material. On these sheets are detailed maps (topographical map, scale

1:100,000) with information about the route and a few city maps. Through convenient text insets you will read more about various sights and attractions along the route, such as the Zuiderzeemuseum and the Oude Haven in Spakenburg. The booklet also contains a great number of tips for lodging accommodations.

Ronde van Nederland

The "Ronde van Nederland" is the ultimate bicycle route for every holiday bicyclist. In the Ronde van Nederland bicycle guide various segments of LF-routes are connected to realize an ample 1,300 kilometers of bicycling pleasure. The route leads as much as possible along the borders of our country and reveals a great variation of landscapes. From the North Sea to the Achterhoek and from the "terpen" in Groningen to the Brabant fens, through forests, polders and characteristic villages and cities, over dikes, rivers, heathland and hills.

In the bicycle guide the route is given in segments. Depending on weather, stamina and planned excursions, the cycling distance can be determined from day to day. The 48 segment maps (scale 1:100,000) in the guide cover an ample area around the route along with the acknowledged bicycle junction points and accommodations. Next to the maps is a compact description of what is most important to see along the route. The guide---produced as a handy spiral binder---offers further useful addresses of museums and attractions, lodging accommodation possibilities, ferry services and Dutch tourist authority offices (VVV).

Current Information

You will find current information about the Dutch LF net, about LF expenses and LF theme routes on the website: www.nederlandfietsland.nl. It is always a good idea to check this website before beginning your bicycle trip.

Numerous examples of ready-to-use bicycle trips can be found on the website www.nederlandfietsland.nl. Below we have explained some appetizing options for you. On the map you will see each route indicated. More complete information can be found on www.nederlandfietsland.nl.

LF Bicycle guides

To bike the thematic LF routes, use this "Basiskaart" (basic map). The Fietsplatform has also published a separate bicycle guide for two thematic LF routes: from the Zuiderzeeroute and from the Ronde van Nederland.

Cycling ideas map

The ideal preparation for a bicycle outing in the Netherlands--whether long or short--is the 'Fiets-ideeën-kaart'. This is not a map to take when cycling, but rather a map that brings the recreational cycling possibilities into focus. There is a complete overview of all the LF routes, roundtrips that are signposted and the locations of junction point networks ('knooppuntnetwerken'). In addition, the map offers information on bicycle holidays or for bicycling in general as well as useful (Internet) addresses, for example for exceptional lodging accommodations.

Bicycle-friendly lodging accommodations

Besides having many bicycle paths and routes, the Netherlands is also an ideal bicycle holiday country because of the great and varied selection of bicycle-friendly lodging possibilities. You can recognize the best locations when you see the quality label 'Fietzers Welkom!' (Bicyclists welcome!).

Lodging can be found in many places, but when you're travelling by bike, you have different needs than when you're on holiday travelling by car or when you're staying at one location. For generations there have been lodging accommodations that have catered to long-distance bicyclists, among which are small-scale campgrounds and the many addresses of 'Vrienden op de Fiets'. To give you, as a cyclist, an overview of which restaurant and lodging accommodations are bicycle-friendly, the quality label '*Fietzers Welkom!*' has been developed.

Fietzers Welkom!

Spread throughout the entire country in the Netherlands are more than 600 lodging addresses that are associated with 'Fietzers Welkom!', the quality-assurance label of the 'Landelijk Fietsplatform'. At these accommodations the bicyclist can count on a hospitable welcome. These businesses give you, as bicyclist, the vital certainty of a successful bicycle trip or holiday, for instance in extended business hours, bicycle repair tools and a first-aid kit on site, facilities to dry clothes and gear, a source of free drinking water to fill bottles, lodging accommodation for a one-night stay and a secure bicycle shelter.

'*Fietzers Welkom!*' was started in Salland in 2010. In the meantime this has been introduced throughout the entire country and every day more businesses are joining this association. The 'Landelijk Fietsplatform' conducts sample appraisals of these businesses to see whether they satisfy the criteria for participation.

The lodging accommodations from '*Fietzers Welkom!*' are indicated on this "Basiskaart" (basic map); the contact details can be downloaded from www.allefietzerswelkom.nl/basiskaart2012. In addition, there are almost 400 daytime restaurant addresses listed on the map at which you can fill your water bottle for free, charge your e-bike and find supplies available to repair a flat tire.

Campgrounds and trekker huts

'Natuurkampeerterreinen' are campgrounds with peace and quiet; there are 140 with this designation in the Netherlands. A special membership card, a 'Natuurkampeerkaart', is required. The 'Groene Boekje' (Green Booklet) in which the campgrounds are described, together with the 'Natuurkampeerkaart', cost €14.95 and are available from the ANWB, travel bookstores and from the association, Stichting Natuurkampeerterreinen. Most of these campgrounds have joined '*Fietzers Welkom!*'.

Stichting Natuurkampeerterreinen,
Postbus 413, 3430 AK Nieuwegein,
tel. 030-6033701 (Tue through Fri 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)
www.natuurkampeerterreinen.nl

'**Trekkershutten**' are small, basic wooden huts for a maximum of 4 persons. They are at about 200 locations, mostly campgrounds, throughout the Netherlands. The recommended price for a 'trekkershut' is €37.00 per night. Reservations are required. A guide with addresses and other information is available for € 2.00 from the web shop of the nature campground organization ('Natuurkampeerterreinen') and the Dutch tourist offices (VVV).

Stichting Trekkershutten Nederland,
Ruigeweg 49, 1752 HC Sint Maartensbrug,
tel. 0224-563345
www.trekkershutten.nl

'**Kamperen by de boer**' refers to small campgrounds with basic facilities run by private individuals, mostly farmers.

There are thousands of these kinds of campgrounds spread throughout the country.

There are two associated organizations: from the VeKaBo there are about 1,000 member campgrounds. The general guide 'Kamperen op het Platteland' costs €5.00 and is available at Dutch Tourist Offices (VVV), ANWB and via the website.

VeKaBo Nederland,
Boekel 22, 1921 CE Akersloot,
tel. 072-5323547,
www.vekabo.nl

The **Stichting Vrije Recreatie (SVR)** has over 2,000 addresses for camping and lodging within and outside the borders of the Netherlands. Contributors receive an overview twice a year and can log onto the website to look up information on the addresses.

A minimum donation costs €10.00 per year.

*Stichting Vrije Recreatie (SVR),
Broekseweg 75, 4231 VD Meerkkerk (ZH),
tel. 0183-352741,
www.svr.nl*

Lodging

The association "**Stichting Vrienden op de Fiets**" has about 4,000 addresses in the private sector offering lodging with breakfast in the Netherlands and the areas around its borders. Hikers and cyclists can stay for bed and breakfast for €19.00 per person per night. By donating €8.00 per year, you become a member.

You will then receive the booklet and a membership card.

*Stichting Vrienden op de Fiets,
Postbus 7471, 2701 AL Zoetermeer,
tel. 079-3238556,
www.vriendenopdefiets.nl*

Other cooperating organizations for bed and breakfast are **Bed & Breakfast Nederland** (www.bedandbreakfast.nl) and Karakteristiek Bed & Breakfast **De Pronkkamer** (www.pronkkamer.nl).

Nivon Natuurvriendenhuizen consists of 14 holiday houses which are located in natural settings and which are maintained by volunteers. You will stay in simple two-person rooms with shared access to kitchen, dining and lavatory facilities. Prices range from €19.50 to €29.00 per night. Nivon members receive 25% discount. Reservations are recommended.

*Nivon Natuurvrienden Nederland,
Hilversumstraat 332, 1024 MB Amsterdam,
tel. 088-0990900,
www.nivon.nl*

Stayokay (formerly NJHC-herbergen) offers 28 hostels at beautiful and exceptional locations varying from city centers to rural areas throughout the Netherlands. You can stay here overnight for rates starting at €18.50 per person per night, including breakfast. Stayokay card-carrying members receive €2.50 discount per overnight stay.

*Stayokay informatieservice tel: 020-5513155,
www.stayokay.com*

On www.holland.com you will find an extensive list of hotels, which are sorted according to region and city. Within this large assortment the Logis hotels deserve special attention. There are 44 of these family-owned hotels in the country (see www.logishotels.com).

At Fietzers Welkom! businesses you can count on extra service:

- Daytime food services are open from May through September, at least 5 days per week from 11.00 a.m.
- Campgrounds keep a trekkers' hut available.
- Lodgings and campgrounds accept guests for 1 night stays
- Lodgings offer a locked bicycle shelter.
- There is a tire repair kit and a bicycle tire pump available.
- There is, of course, a first aid kit available
- Bicyclists can fill their water bottles free of charge.
- There are bicycle maps available to look at or to buy.
- Wet clothing is not considered objectionable
- Lodgings offer a dryer or a drying rack.

For a current overview of participating businesses, see www.allefietzerswelkom.nl

For an overview of the participating businesses presented on the map, see www.allefietzerswelkom.nl/basiskaart2012.

Ferry crossings on LF routes

The list below shows ferry crossings that are incorporated in LF routes. The information references the hours of service according to the schedules for 2012 in so far as these details were available for this guide. Clarification about details and changes can be obtained by contacting the telephone numbers noted.

In addition, the association Vrienden van de Voetveren provides an overview of all the ferry crossings in the Netherlands and Flanders, www.voetveren.nl.

1. **Den Helder - Texel** 0222-369600 (TESO), www.teso.nl
From Den Helder: Mon through Sat 6:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. From Texel 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., departs once every hour
On Sun first boat sails 1 or 2 hours later (depending on the season)
2. **Harlingen - Vlieland** 0900-3635736
(shipping company Doeksen), www.rederij-doeksen.nl
From Harlingen: Mon through Fri and Sun 9:00 a.m., 2:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., Sat 9:00 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. From Vlieland: Mon through Thrs and Sat 7:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Fri 7:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. In addition there are also express services although not for bicycles.
3. **Harlingen - Terschelling** 0900-3635736
(shipping company Doeksen), www.rederij-doeksen.nl
Daily from Harlingen: 9:45 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Daily from Terschelling 7:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Check website for changes and extra services. Besides these departure times there are also express services although not for bicycles.
4. **Holwerd - Ameland** 0900-4554455
(shipping company Rederij Wagenborg), www.wpd.nl
From Holwerd: Mon through Thrs 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Fri 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
From Ameland: Mon through Thrs 6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Fri 6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Sat and Sun 8:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
5. **Lauwersoog - Schiermonnikoog** 0519-349050
(shipping company Rederij Wagenborg), www.wpd.nl
From Lauwersoog: Mon through Sat 6:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., Sun 9:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. From Schiermonnikoog: Mon through Sat 7:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Sun 10:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. During high season extra departures.
6. **Tijnje - Nij Beets** (De Ulesprong) 0512-462162
(K. Rispens), www.tynje.nl
Self-service ferry, sails daily, except when there is floating ice.
7. **Velsen N. - Velsen Z.** (Noordzeekanaal)
0900-2666399 (Connexxion) www.connexxion.nl
Daily 24 hours a day. From Velsen-Noord: 10, 30 and 50 minutes past the hour. From Velsen-Zuid: every hour on the hour and at 20 and 40 minutes past the hour.
8. **Enkhuizen - Stavoren** (IJsselmeer) 0228-326667 (Shipping company Rederij V&O) or 0228313164 (Dutch tourist authority VVV-Enkhuizen), www.veerboot.info
May through Sept: daily 8:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. (from Enkhuizen), 10:05 a.m., 2:05 p.m. and 6:05 p.m. (from Stavoren), 14 through 29 April, weekends Oct and autumn vacation region North: 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (from Enkhuizen), 10:05 a.m. and 6:05 p.m. (from Stavoren) In Apr and Sept on Mon no service (except Monday after Easter)
9. **Urk - Enkhuizen** (IJsselmeer) Shipping company Veerdienst Willem Barentsz (www.willem-barentsz.nl)
4 July to 20 Aug: Mon through Sat 11:00 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. (from Enkhuizen), 3:15 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. (from Urk)
10. **Genemuiden - Zwartsluis** (Zwartewater)
0900-2666399 (Connexxion)
Mon through Fri 6:15 a.m. - 9:45 p.m., Sat 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. and Sun (Apr through Sept) 10:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
11. **Zwolle - Haerst** (Overijsselse Vecht) 0529-427666
May through Sept: daily 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
12. **Oldeneel - Hattem** (IJssel)
06-53549238 (Mr. Bosman)
Mid Apr through 28 Oct: daily 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
13. **Amsterdam De Ruijterkade - Buiksloterweg**
(Het IJ) 0900-9292 (OV-reisinformatie), www.gvb.nl
Daily: 24 hours a day.
14. **Nessersluis - Nes a/d Amstel** (Amstel)
0297-582992 (C.G. van Schaik)
Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Sat and Sun 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
15. **Nieuwer Ter Aa - Nieuwersluis** (Amsterdam-Rijnkanaal) 0294-231274 (Rijkswaterstaat)
Mon through Sat 6:10 a.m.-10:50 p.m., Sun 9:30 a.m. - 6:10 p.m.
16. **Eemnes Ervenweg** (Eemnesservaart)
Self-service ferry, sailings the whole year.
17. **Eemdijk - Eemnes** (Eem)
Mar and Oct: 7:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Apr and Sept 6:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m., May through Aug: 6:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m. The ferry never sails on Sunday.
18. **Deventer De Welle- De Worp** (IJssel)
0570-671337 (rederij Thuishaven Deventer B.V.)
Mon through Fri 8:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m., Sat 9:00 a.m.-11:00p.m., Sun 10:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.
19. **Hoek van Holland - Maasvlakte** (Nieuwe

Waterweg/Calandkanaal) 0900-5006010 (RET)

17 July-24 Oct: Mon through Fri 5:50 a.m.- 7:55 p.m., Sat and Sun 8:55 a.m.-7:55 p.m.

20. **Slikkerveer - Kinderdijk** (driehoeksveer
Noord/Nieuwe Maas/Lek) 078-6222233
(SVD Customer Service, Wed through Sat 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.), www.svd-stadsvervoer.nl
Mon through Fri 6:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m. and noon - 5:30 p.m., Sat and Sun 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m., Oct through March: not on Sat or Sun. Kinderdijk - Slikkerveer via Krimpen a/d Lek 10 min later. Sails once every half hour.
21. **Krimpen a/d Lek - Kinderdijk** (Lek) 0900-1824 (Ottevanger OV), www.driehoeksveer.nl
Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m. - 5:50 p.m., Sat and Sun 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
22. **Zwijndrecht - Puttershoek** (Oude Maas)
06-10885953 www.veerputtershoek.nl
3 Jan through 23 Dec Mon through Fri 6:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Sat and Sun 11:00 a.m. - 5:45 p.m.
23. **Papendrecht - Dordrecht** (Beneden Merwede, Waterbus) 0800-0232545 (9292OV)
Mon through Fri 6:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sat and Sun 6:37 a.m. - 9:07 p.m.
24. **Kop van 't Land - Werkendam** (Boven Merwede) www.veerdienstbiesbosch.nl
Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Sat 9:45 a.m. - 6:45 p.m., Sun 10:45 a.m. - 6:45 p.m.
25. **Biesbosch - Werkendam** (Steurgat)
06-2757418 (Thera van den Heuvel)
Daily: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
26. **Gorinchem - Woudrichem** (Boven Merwede)
www.veerdienstgorinchem.nl,
06-51604964 (gem. Gorinchem, Mr. Hania)
Departure Gorinchem: Mon through Fri 6:45 a.m. - 5:45 p.m. (through every hour 30 and 45 minutes past the hour), Apr Oct: Sat 8:15 a.m. - 5:45 p.m., Sun and holidays 12:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. (hourly service), Nov through March Sat 8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Departure Woudrichem: Mon through Fri 7:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Apr through Oct: Sat 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Sun and Holidays 2:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m., Nov through Mar: Sat 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
27. **Woudrichem - Loevestein** (Afgedamde Maas) 0183-447171 (Castle Loevestein)
Sat and Sun 12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., May through Sept: Sat through Mon 12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., Tues through Fri 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
28. **Herwijnen - Brakel** (Waal) 0418-671502,
0183-659314 (Ferry service Gorinchem)
Mon through Fri 5:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Sat 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
29. **Nieuwegein - Vianen** (Lek) 0255-262000
(Connexxion water)
Mon through Fri 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Sat and Sun 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Nov through March not on Sun.
30. **Wijk bij Duurstede - Rijswijk** (Lek)
0345-574384 (Wijkse Veer)
Mon through Sat 6:00 a.m. - midnight, Sun 9:00 a.m. - midnight
31. **Nederhemert-Noord - Nederhemert-Zuid**
(Afgedamde Maas) 0418-552671
(Stichting Het Veer Nederhemert)
July and Aug: Mon through Sat 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., March through June, Sept and Oct: Mon through Sat 8:00 a.m. - noon and 1.00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Nov through Feb: contact ferry to request service
32. **Maren/Kessel - Alem** (Maas) 0412-481568
(Stichting De Maasveren)
Apr through Oct: Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sat 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Oct through March Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Sat 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
33. **Alphen - Lith** (Maas) 0412-481568
(Stichting De Maasveren)
Apr through Sept: Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sat 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Oct through March: Mon - Fri 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Sat 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
34. **Brummen - Bronkhorst** (IJssel) 06-15020976 (G.D. Wijers)
May through Sept: Mon through Fri 7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Sat and Sun 9:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Oct through Apr: Mon through Fri 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Sat and Sun 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Dec through Feb on Sat and Sun till 5:00 p.m.
35. **Huissen - Loo** (Nederrijn) 06-12993838
(veerbedrijf Looveer) www.looveer.nl
Oct through Mar: Mon through Sat 6:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., May through Aug: Mon through Sat 6:30 a.m. - 11:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m., Apr and Sept: Mon through Sat 6:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
36. **Millingen - Pannerden** (Rijn) 06-22701825
(B. Kievits Veerdiensten)
Apr through Sept: daily 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. and once at 8:00 p.m. (the ferry sails on the odd numbered hours). Oct through Mar: daily 8:00a.m.-5:00 p.m. (the ferry sails on the odd numbered hours)
37. **Vlissingen - Breskens** (Westerschelde)
013-5499919 (BBA klantenservice), www.bba.nl
From Vlissingen: 5:50 a.m.-9:55 p.m.. From Breskens: 6:15 a.m.-10:23 p.m.
38. **Dussen - Capelle** (N.Br) (Bergsche Maas)
013-5491455 (Rijkswaterstaat)
Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m., winter 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
39. **Nederhemert-Zuid - Heusden** (Bern - Herpt) (Bergse Maas) 013-5491455 (Rijkswaterstaat,
A.P. Buijks)
Winter: Mon through Fri 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Sat and Sun 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., summer: Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m., Sat and Sun 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
40. **Middelaar - Cuijk** (Maas) 077-4722107 en
06-53354996 (Mr. Paulus)
Mon through Fri 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Sat 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., in the winter months the ferry does not sail later than 7:00 p.m.
41. **Afferden - Sambeek** (Maas) 0485-531758

(Mr. Denissen)

Apr through Sept: Mon through Fri 6:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., Sat 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., Oct through Mar: Mon through Fri 6:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m., Sat 7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m., Sun 9:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

42. **Vierlingsbeek - Bergen** (Maas) 0478-631281

(H. v.d. Boogaard)

Mon through Fri 6:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m., Sat 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m., Sun 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

43. **Blitterswijk - Wellerlooi** (Maas) 0478-532942 /

06-3960599 (Veerboot Kobus)

Apr through Aug: daily 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Sept: daily 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., Oct: Sat and Sun 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

44. **Broekhuizen - Arcen** (Maas) 077-4722107

(A.P.H. Paulus)

Mon through Fri 6:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m., Sat 7:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m., Sun 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

45. **Kessel - Reuver** (Maas) 077-4621906 (H. Naus)

Mon through Fri 6:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m., Sat 7:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m., Sun 8:00 a.m.-10:30 p.m.

46. **Berg - Meeswijk** (Maas) 077-4722107 (Mr. Paulus)

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www.nederlandfietsland.nl (LF-routes)

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www.anwb.nl

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tel. 030-2918171

www.fietsersbond.nl

- **Nederlandse Toer Fiets Unie (NTFU)**

(organization interfacing tour bicycling associations)

Postbus 326, 3900 AH Veenendaal,

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www.ntfu.nl

- **Vereniging Vrienden van de Voetveren**

(representing the interests of bicycle- and foot passenger ferries)

Burg. Kasteleinstraat 35,

1109 BA Amsterdam ZO

www.voetveren.nl

- **Nivon**

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tel. 088-0990900

www.nivon.nl

- **Fietsvakantiewinkel**

(digital 'bicycle route store', information on bicycle holidays, arrangements; bicycle maps-webshop)

www.fietsvakantiewinkel.nl

www.fietskaarten.nl

- **Landelijk Informatienummer**

Openbaar Vervoer (national information telephone number for public transportation)

0900-9292 (€ 0,70 p/min)

www.9292ov.nl

Other interesting websites

- fiets.startpagina.nl

(start page bicycle information)

- www.ns.nl

(train trips, combination bicycle and train)

- www.holland.com

(Nederlands Bureau voor Toerisme en

Congressen) (Dutch bureau for tourism and conferences)

- www.fietskaartinformatiestichting.nl

(bicycle routes in Europe)

- www.cycletours.nl

(bicycle-boat holidays in the Netherlands)

- www.fiets-fun.nl

(bicycling from tent to tent in the Netherlands)

- www.reisboekhandel.nl

(overview of travel bookstores in the Netherlands)

- www.dutchbiketours.nl

(bicycle holidays including but not limited to LF routes)

- www.fietsen.123.nl

- (everything about recreational bicycling)
- www.vvv.nl
(national Dutch tourist bureau or the VVV)
- www.fietskaarten.nl
(complete bicycle map webshop)

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