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Maastricht boasts one-of-a-kind, genuine energy and vitality that is unmatched in the Netherlands. The city's dynamic blend of cultures, languages, and flavours fuels its creative spirit, cutting-edge research and innovation, entrepreneurial flair, trendsetting spirit, and gastronomic delights. All of these factors combined make Maastricht a popular destination for a shopping excursion, a romantic weekend getaway, or an elegant European vacation.



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# **COMPACT & CONTACT**

You will feel right at home in Maastricht. You can get to know the very compact city centre very quickly, and you'll be greeted warmly everywhere you go. The highlights are all within walking distance, and it's hard to lose your way on the charming, mostly car-free, streets. But if you ever do, there's always someone willing to point you in the right direction.

#### THE 'MESTREECHTER GEIS'

Charm, playfulness, a healthy dose of humour, and a zest for life: these are the ingredients of the Maastricht local character. This character has been immortalized by the artist Mari Andriessen in the bronze statue Mestreechter Geis, on the square near Stokstraat.

# HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND CONTEMPORARY ARCHITECTURE

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# IT'S ALL IN THE MIX

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# CITY OF FASHION AND SHOPPING

Designer boutiques and major labels are found in abundance, punctuated by genuine one-of-a-kind shops with unique must-have fashion, lifestyle, and design items and accessories. All this only adds to the rich setting of the historic city centre. The heart of the city is rightly legendary among fashion-lovers and shopaholics, who can shop to their hearts' content here, seven days a week.

# Wyck



Wyck has often been described as the up-and-coming part of Maastricht. And although it's still a dynamic area in development, it's already

seen a real

transformation from ten years ago. Today, it's hard to imagine that there was a time that this side of the Meuse was dismissed as 'outside Maastricht,' and the people of Wyck were considered bumpkins. But this history has also had a defining impact, and made Wyck into the unique urban borough that it is.



The many contemporary and exclusive shops, hotels, restaurants, and creative enterprises that have come here in recent years are a perfect fit with the long-standing local boutiques, fine food shops, and the locals themselves. That's what makes Wyck one of the best places in Maastricht to live, work, and shop. On weekdays Wyck is bustling with business from the train station to the river, and on weekends it is just as jumping, with the tourists and day visitors tarrying here to 'warm up' for a day out on the town. Today, it's rightly said that you haven't seen Maastricht until you've seen Wyck!

Photo: Peter Köves/flickr(image cropped)

Address: Wyck, Maastricht Internet: www.wyck.nl/en

# Céramique



In the Céramique district, you still feel the industrial past, even though you're standing in the newest and most modern part of the city.

It's the kind

of place where you look up and keep looking, to take in the impressive architecture, even as the ground around you buzzes with culture and activity.

Céramique arose in the early 1990s on the site of 'Société Céramique,' a ceramics factory that operated from 1850 to 1985, best known for its tableware.

When the factory was offered for sale to the municipality in the late 1980s, the idea to redevelop the area as a quality residential and commercial district quickly emerged, and Government Architect Jo Coenen was engaged to develop a master plan. One of his fundamental

premises was to bring something of a Mediterranean feel to this part of the city. To achieve this, he brought in a luminary architects from southern Europe for the design of the various residential and business complexes. The result is a total package of architectural high point after high point, like Mario Botta's 'La Fortezza,' Alvaro Siza's 'Tower of Siza,' and perhaps the crowning glory, Aldo Rossi's Bonnefanten Museum.

But despite all the forward-looking architecture, the connection to the past remains, in the street names, remnants of older buildings and tableware that turn up unexpectedly, and the exhibitions in the Bonnefanten Museum and Centre Céramique. Each and every one is a golden thread of history interwoven into the fabric of today.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Avenue Ceramique 50, Maastricht

Opening hours: Tue 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM Wed - Fri 9:00 AM -

6:00 PM Sat - Sun 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 350 56 00

Internet: www.centreceramique.nl/english

# **City Centre**



It's all here, whether you go for the big names or those cute little boutiques you find nowhere else.

And whether you prefer an upmarket department

store or a covered shopping centre for your whole new wardrobe,

or enjoy running from shop to shop in search of that one perfect item.

Here in the Maastricht city centre, there's something for every shopaholic, young or old, boy or girl.



Comb the Grote Staat and be dazzled by all the known and lesser-known chains you find here. Take a peek at the shopping centre Entre Deux, worth a visit for its architecture alone, and for the huge shops for famous labels you'll find here. There are still a few surprises for you in store at the shopping centre Mosae Forum, just next to the Markt. And don't overlook the basement floor, where you'll find some hidden gems (of the edible kind!).

But it's not all fashion, beauty, and lifestyle; there's also a special place for books, in the amazing bookshop in the medieval Dominican church, a highlight of the city centre not to be missed. Need a breather? When you're ready to take a break from your shopping adventure, you'll be pleased to find that the amazing array of shops is interspersed with pubs, cafés, and charming restaurants.

Photo: Marc Lechanteur/Shutterstock.com

#### Jeker Quarter



Those who live and work here say that you don't really need to explain where the Jeker quarter is: Once you're there, you'll know. This is where

the locals stroll the streets at their leisure, students read in the park, and you can spend a whole Sunday on a café terrace, a wisp of jazz music in the air in the background, and never get bored.

The Jeker quarter is nestled between the old city walls and centuries-old houses, bordered by the green of the city park. Although people have lived here for centuries, no one has ever explored it all. Enterprise is deeply rooted in the

genes of this community: A history full of crafts and trades has left its marks, and forged the unique, authentic, innovative and creative atmosphere you feel here today. And right through the middle of it, that impudent little river, the Jeker, flows brazenly on.

The quaint streets, stately homes, and idyllic parks have everything to make history come alive, while the rich student life, mix of young and old, culinary highlights, and abundant art and culture pull you back to the present.

Photo: Mark Ahsmann/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped) Address: Sint Pieterstraat, Maastricht

#### Stokstraat Quarter



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two statues, 'De Mestreechter Geis' and 'Slevrouwe'. All of these streets ultimately lead to the ever-charming, intimate and romantic Onze Lieve Vrouweplein. In this part of the city, you can find the warmth and charm of a classic Maastricht pub on virtually every corner.

The quarter takes its name from what may be the city's most famous (or infamous) street. Today, Stokstraat is known as the place for the most exclusive and luxury shops in the Netherlands, but it was not always so. If there's any street that has seen its fortunes turn over the years, it's this one. In the Middle Ages, its reputation was dubious thanks to its many bathhouse-brothels; later, the street enjoyed a renaissance with many



reputable merchants established in it, until, as the Industrial Revolution took hold and the city centre became overpopulated with wave after wave of migrants from the countryside, the street became synonymous with grinding poverty. Living conditions here became so dire that there was even talk of demolishing the entire street.

The Stokstraat quarter of today is the result of a dramatic redevelopment between 1950 and 1973, which succeeded in preserving its historic character but transforming it into a fashionable address for living, shopping, and dining.

Photo: Svetlana Pechenkina/Shutterstock.com

Address: Stokstraat, Maastricht

# **Sphinx and Bassin**



'This is where the cultural, creative, and enterprising urban district Sphinx will arise.' So reads the ambition behind the plans for the

development of the Sphinx area. Plans focus on the place where Maastricht's industrial revolution began. It was here that Petrus Regout built his 'Sphinx Factory,' the start of what grew into an enormous industry, producing bathroom fixtures, tiles, and the products that made Maastricht great. The factory operated until 2006, and since then efforts have been under way to redevelop this area as a district that fits in with the city, but as something Maastricht does not already have. That's why this district is being designed to attract creative types, young residents, national and international students, and expatriates. It will be internationally oriented, with room for flexible space and temporary functions. Where this area is going is

becoming clearer and clearer, in things like the arrival of the pop music stage in a former sawmill, and the newly opened
Brandweer(kantine), with workspaces and meeting places for creative entrepreneurs. But not everything in this part of the city is new and different. The historic and picturesque river harbour 't Bassin, adjacent to the Sphinx area, makes a perfect buffer for the transition from the more familiar and better known Maastricht to this new part of town.

Photo: Kleon3/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Bassin, Maastricht Phone: +31 65 396 03 49 Internet: www.tbassin.nl Email: info@tbassin.nl

#### Vrijthof



You would almost miss them. Almost. Because as soon as you pass the entryway to the St. Servaas Basilica, you'll figure out that it's worth

walking on. You'll see for yourself that
Maastricht doesn't end at the Vrijthof.
Sometimes you just have to take those few extra
steps. That's when Maastricht will surprise you
with just how surprising the city centre really is.

The Vrijthof has a number of little streets leading into it from all directions. They include Brusselsestraat, Grote Gracht, and De Kommel. Unlike the more idyllic boulevards in most of the rest of the city, these streets evoke a feeling of the urban, the artistic, the unknown. Here, students and locals come and go: artists, designers, professionals. It's an area that's moving fast: new shops, start-ups, young businesses, surprising concepts. Yet at the same time, it's bursting with historic buildings, and is



still very much a place where locals want to live. In truth, you can't really describe the streets around the Vrijthof in a few words. It's where local, university, business, authentic, forward-looking, and surprising Maastricht all come together.

Photo: DutchScenery/Shutterstock.com Address: Vrijthof, Maastricht

#### St. Pieter



You'll feel like you've crossed the border, but you're not quite there yet. Of course, you're aware that Maastricht's central location in the Euregio

means you can be in Belgium very quickly. But you don't really feel it until you see how the city, and the countryside around it, is layered with a unique mix of foreign influences. With the Sint Pietersberg hill, the historic caves, the vineyards, Fort Sint Pieter, and Château Neercanne as backdrop, this part of the city has everything you need to capture that holiday feeling. Sint Pieter was its own municipality until 1920. This part of the city was always outside the city walls (and so had it the toughest in times of war). Then, it was mainly farmers who lived here; now, it's mostly families, epicureans, and a few descendants of the inhabitants of that old Sint Pieter. Today, Sint Pieter is Maastricht's most popular residential district, not just for its beautiful houses but because of its ideal location between city and green. And it still feels like its own town, with its own social life, and charm, even though it's just a stone's throw away from the city park. In fact, it has the best of both worlds: village and city. Nature and culture.

Photo: Ivica Drusany/Shutterstock.com

Address: Luikerweg 71, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 325 21 21

# **UNIQUE SPOTS / TOP 10**



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# **Bookshop Dominicanen**



Heavenly bookshop.
Spectacular old church,
and thankfully preserved
as a bookshop due to the
efforts of the people of
Maastricht. Great coffee

as well.

Photo: Jorge Franganillo/flickr(image cropped) Address: Dominicanerkerkstraat 1, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Tue - Sat 10:00 AM  $\,$ 

- 6:00 PM Sun 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 304 01 30

Internet: www.boekhandeldominicanen.nl

# Bisschopsmolen



The smells of fresh-baked bread and vlaai. You just can't walk past that smell of fresh-baked spelt bread and Limburg's favorite sweet tart,

'vlaai', without stopping in here!

Photo: Jorge Franganillo/flickr(image cropped)

Address: Stenenbrug 3, Maastricht

Opening hours: Tue - Sat 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sun 10:00 AM -

5:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 327 06 13

Internet: www.bisschopsmolen.nl

# Cellebroederskapel (chapel)



Silent monument. Hidden behind a historic gateway in the facade of number 58, you find this domain of silence.

Photo: NATNN/Shutterstock.com

Address: Cellebroederstraat, Maastricht

Phone: +31 62 236 06 04

Internet: www.cellebroederskapel.nl

#### **Sint Servaas Treasure Chamber**



Sacred treasures. This is where Maastricht keeps her greatest treasures. The most precious is the reliquary of St. Servaas, the Netherlands' first

bishop.

Photo: milosk50/Shutterstock.com Address: Keizer Karelplein, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 321 20 82 Internet: www.sintservaas.nl

#### **Market Square**



The Markt square is the heart of Maastricht, boasting the contemporary architecture of the municipal offices and

crowned by the beautiful seventeenth-century city hall. The Markt's character suits the centre of a city, with the bustle of businesspeople and a noisy weekly market.

Photo: Mali lucky/Shutterstock.com Address: Market Square, Maastricht

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and romantic Onze Lieve Vrouweplein. In this part of the city, you can find the warmth and charm of a classic Maastricht pub on virtually every corner.

Photo: DutchScenery/Shutterstock.com Address: Stokstraatkwartier, Maastricht

# **Vrijthof Square**



It's been called the most beautiful square in the country. Maybe it's because when you stand in the middle of the Vrijthof and look around,

you could almost forget you're in the Netherlands. But perhaps it's also because it's the cultural heart of the city. The place where the theater is framed by intriguing museums and spectacular churches. But it's also the place that undergoes a metamorphosis almost weekly, smoothly transitioning from each cultural season and event to the next.

Photo: Jeroen Moes/flickr(image cropped) Address: Vrijthof, Maastricht

# Hells Gate (Helpoort)



The Hells Gate, dated to 1229, is the oldest city gate in the Netherlands. It was originally a part of the city wall of Maastricht and has been

used as meeting point for cloth fullers. Today you will instead find helpful guides to answer your questions.

Photo: Leonid Andronov/Shutterstock.com Address: Sint Bernardusstraat 24b, Maastricht Opening hours: Sun - Sat 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Phone: +31 43 343 30 71

# **Apostelhoeve Vineyard**



In the Limburg region just outside Maastricht, vineyards cover the hills. At the 15th century farm Apostelhoeve, guided tours, around the growths

and the wine cellars are held. A wine tasting with some light snacks are provided after the tour.

Photo: Chumash Maxim/Shutterstock.com Address: Susserweg 201, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 9:00~AM - 5:00~PM

Phone: +31 43 343 22 64 Internet: www.apostelhoeve.nl

# **Charles Eyck Park**



Green on the Meuse. Céramique's park, along the Meuse, is a favourite picnic and gathering place for students and locals.

Photo: Kleon3/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Wyck, Maastricht

More Info: On the river bank in the Céramique discrict

# DO & SEE



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No matter what you do, in Maastricht culture is always an experience. You are submerged in a blend of shapes and styles, colours and



fragrances. The past and the present are intertwined in the countless imposing monuments and modern architecture. Its cultural palette gives Maastricht a unique character - mysterious and provocative with its underground cultural treasures and characteristic towers, and dynamic and extroverted with its lively festivals, expositions, and breathtaking performances.

Whatever your taste, Maastricht is guaranteed to tickle your senses.

# Go for a walk with a guide



Memorable stories, exciting anecdotes and interesting trivia you might never have been able to uncover yourself. Why not discover the real

Maastricht? Experience the tales of the city with a local guide who would be happy to show you our true highlights. Don't miss the chance to take a walking tour of the city with a professional VVV guide.

Photo: Daxiao Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: Kleine Staat 1, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 325 21 21 Internet: www.vvvmaastricht.nl Email: info@vvvmaastricht.nl

# Maastricht from the water



A boat trip is a great way to discover and experience the city and relax at the same time. You won't even have to lift a finger... Floating

along the Meuse, with the contours of the city as your backdrop, on board with a cup of coffee and a delicious piece of sweet tart... Simply delightful. As soon as you board one of the tour boats, you will feel that holiday feeling taking hold, and you can relax and enjoy learning even more about this beautiful city.

Photo: Allard One/Shutterstock.com Address: Maaspromenade 58, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 351 53 00 Internet: www.stiphout.nl

# **Caves of St Pietersberg**



Do you dare go underground? Not afraid of the dark? Go exploring in the caves below the St. Pietersberg hill. No light, no sound, no smell, no

radiation, no pollution, no mobile phone signal, no idea of time...Over the centuries, the mining of marl in the caves has created a labyrinth of more than 20,000 tunnels. 'Block breakers' and artists alike have left their marks here. The caves also served as a refuge for the people of Maastricht during the many sieges of the city, including during the Second World War.

Photo: Freedom Master/Shutterstock.com Address: Luikerweg 80, Maastricht

Public Transport: Bus or taxi to St Pietersberg district

Phone: +31 43 325 21 21

Email: info@maastrichtunderground.nl

# **Fort Sint Pieter**



Step back in time and experience history on a tour of Fort St. Pieter.
Your enthusiastic guide will take you to the well, the embrasures, and the

cannon gallery while entertaining you with wonderful stories, anecdotes, and facts. The tour ends atop the Fort with a spectacular view of the city, the Meuse, and the surrounding



countryside.

Photo: Ivica Drusany/Shutterstock.com Address: Luikerweg 71, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 325 21 21

Internet: www.maastrichtunderground.nl/eng

# **City Hall**



Heirloom of Maastricht.
Built from 1659-1664 by
the architect Pieter Post;
the tower dates from
1684 and houses a
carillon with 49 bells that

is still played regularly.

Photo: Olha Rohulya/Shutterstock.com

Address: Markt 78, Maastricht Phone: +31 43 350 40 40 Internet: www.maastricht.nl

#### St Servaasbasiliek



Transition from authentic to urban. That lingering moment when you stop here and decide whether you will or won't go in to view the St. Servaas

Basilica.

Photo: Leonid Andronov/Shutterstock.com Address: Keizer Karelplein 3, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun 12:30 PM - 5:00 PM Mon - Sat 10:00 AM

- 5:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 321 20 82 Internet: www.sintservaas.nl

More Info: Located in the Old Town

#### **Onze Lieve Vrouwebasiliek**



Light a candle and enjoy a meditative moment. If you're there at the right moment, you'll also experience the bells.

Photo: Zairon/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped) Address: Onze Lieve Vrouweplein 20, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 325 18 51 Internet: www.sterre-der-zee.nl More Info: Located in the Old Town

#### Kazematten



Between 1575 and 1825, a network of underground passageways or mine galleries was created on the western side of

Maastricht. In times of siege, these tunnels were used to surprise the enemy from underground. During the Second World War, the people of Maastricht spent many anxious hours here sheltering from the bombardments. Visit the vaulted chambers, powder rooms, and imposing bombproof shelters, and learn more about this unique monument of military engineering. You can also see the above-ground and underground fortifications in a single tour. The Fortifications Maastricht Foundation has developed two different tours to show you them: the Du Moulin Line tour and the Long Kazematten Walk.

Photo: Zack Frank/Shutterstock.com

Address: Waldeckbastion - Waldeckpark, Maastricht Public Transport: Bus or taxi via Tongerseweg N278

Phone: +31 43 325 21 21

 $Internet: www.maastrichtunderground.nl/locaties\_en\_rondlei$ 

dingen/rondleidingen kazematten

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#### **Bonnefanten Museum**



Old Masters & Modern Art. This iconic building, designed by Italian architect Aldo Rossi, is home to an always exciting programme of

temporary exhibits,

museum tours, lectures, and children's activities. The Bonnefanten Museum is also the place to find unusual art gifts (online too!), and to have lunch.

at the famous Museumcafé Ipanema.

Photo: Greet Landman/Skitterphoto

Address: Avenue Ceramique 250, Maastricht Opening hours: Tue - Sun 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 329 01 90 Internet: www.bonnefanten.nl

More Info: Close to the river on the East Bank

#### **Natuurhistorisch Museum**



A trip through time.
Everything about the wild animals of the Limburg landscape, from the Mosasaurus that lived here in the Cretaceous

sea to the fish you'll find living in Limburg's streams today and the bees in the beehive. The story

of how humans and nature interact. Plus: exhibits, garden, and shop.

Photo: kikujungboy/Shutterstock.com Address: De Bosquetplein 6-7, Maastricht

Opening hours: Tue - Fri 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sat - Sun 1:00

PM - 5:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 350 54 90

Internet: www.nhmmaastricht.nl/english.html

Email: meuseum@maastricht.nl

More Info: Close to the Old Town boundary

#### Marres



Contemporary art, lovely garden, southern charm and exquisite
Mediterranean / Arabic cuisine (Marres Kitchen).

Photo: Pla2na/Shutterstock.com

Address: Capucijnenstraat 98, Maastricht Opening hours: Tue - Sun 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 327 02 07

Internet: www.marres.org/en/home-en

Email: info@marres.org

# **Bureau Europa**



Architecture forum.
Exhibitions and other
activities in the field of
architecture and design,
with a social/sociological
angle.

Photo: Photographee.eu/Shutterstock.com Address: Boschstraat 9, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 350 30 20

Internet: www.bureau-europa.nl

# Brewery De Keyzer NA Bosch



Steam Brewery De Keyzer, a craft brewery with equipment dating from 1900-1929, still operating in a building of industrial and

archaeological

significance. If you book ahead, you can get great tours here. And enjoy a real old-fashioned beer afterwards.

Photo: Judd Irish Bradley/Shutterstock.com Address: Wycker Grachtstraat 26, Maastricht Opening hours: Sat 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Phone: +31 43 325 21 21



Internet: www.brouwerijbosch.nl Email: info@brouwerijbosch.nl

# Thiessen Wijnkoopers



Oldest wine merchant in the Netherlands Beautiful rooms, spectacular cellars, and their own vineyard at the back. Tastings and tours on

Saturdays and Sundays.

Photo: Rido/Shutterstock.com

Address: Grote Gracht 18, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Tue - Sat 10:00 AM -

6:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 325 13 55 Internet: www.thiessen.nl

# **DINING**



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If you love food, you won't be bored in Maastricht, because you'll find at least one restaurant for just about every type of cuisine here. From Mediterranean classics, to Asian specialities, to the delights you'll only find here; and from Michelin-starred restaurants to wine bars to good old-fashioned pubs, Maastricht has it all. The countless restaurants offer hospitality and quality for every budget. You will find Maastricht's restaurateurs eager to showcase local products, not only in traditional local dishes, but in exciting and original "world

cuisine" combinations. And don't miss the chance to visit some of the many unique dining opportunities in castles, estates, vaulted cellars, warehouses, and churches. Culinary highlights abound throughout the city. Chef Hans van Wolde of Beluga Loves You has retained his two Michelin stars for another year, and the guide has also heralded Château Neercanne and Tout à Fait as "très bonne cuisine" with one star each.

#### **Pakhoes**



This is a popular and contemporary eatery, housed within a former warehouse – a pakhuis – beside the river. It serves French and Belgian

inspired cuisine.

Photo: Dream79/Shutterstock.com Address: Waterpoort 4-6, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 325 70 00 Internet: www.pakhoes.nl

More Info: Located close to the Old Town

#### **Bouchon d'en Face**



The lights are dim,
French chansons are
playing, and the menu is
French from start to
finish. Bouchon d'en Façe
is the place for your

romantic evening.

Photo: Visionsi/Shutterstock.com

Address: Wycker Brugstraat 54, Maastricht Opening hours: Wed - Sun 5:00 PM - 12:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 311 64 38

Internet: www.bouchondenface.nl

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# Beluga (loves you)



Beluga is the top of the top restaurants in Maastricht and a real must if you have the budget. With its artistic cuisine the 2 Michelin

stars are well deserved. Don't miss their own beer to accompany your meal.

Photo: Maksim Toome/Shutterstock.com Address: Plein 1992-12, Maastricht

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM Mon 12:00 PM -

1:30 PM

Phone: +31 43 321 33 64

Internet: www.belugalovesyou.com Email: info@belugalovesyou.com

#### **Restaurant Harrys**



Harry's serves timeless international brasserie favourites, made from the best ingredients, served seven days a week for lunch and dinner - and

brunch on

Sundays too. Harry's serves unpretentious food and beverages in a relaxed, comfortable setting.

Photo: Olinchuk/Shutterstock.com

Address: Wycker Brugstraat 2, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM Mon - Sat 12:00 PM

- 2:30 PM 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM Phone: +31 43 328 13 66

Internet: www.harrysrestaurant.nl/en Email: reservations@harrysrestaurant.nl

#### Wine restaurant Mes Amis



Classic French cuisine
with traditional Limburg
accents, with wine
pairings poured with
every dish. No one knows
regional wines better

than mes amis.

Photo: Douglas Freer/Shutterstock.com Address: Tongersestraat 5, Maastricht

Opening hours: Wed - Mon 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 325 78 66 Internet: www.mesamis.nl Email: mail@mesamis.nl

# Grand Cafe' D'n Ingel



Classic French cuisine with traditional Limburg accents, with wine pairings poured with every dish.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: Vrijthof 13, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Mon 10:00 AM - 2:00 AM

Phone: +31 43 321 72 26 Internet: www.ingel.nl/en Email: info@ingel.nl

More Info: Call +31 43 321 7226 for reservations or make

reservations online.

# TastyThai



Authentic Thai food.
Winner Maastrichtse
Toppers 2013 in the
category of "Most
Dazzling Dining:. Tasty
Thai for lunch, dinner,

and takeaway.

Photo: naito29/Shutterstock.com Address: Rechtstraat 29, Maastricht



Opening hours: Mon 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Wed - Sun 12:00 PM

- 9:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 852 49 62 Internet: www.tastythai.nl Email: info@tastythai.nl

#### Brasserie Keizer



Provençal-inspired cuisine that is simply delicious. Located in the heart of old Maastricht, between the St. Servaas Basilica and Theater aan

het Vrijthof.

Photo: GreenArt/Shutterstock.com

Address: Keizer Karelplein 15, Maastricht Opening hours: Tue - Sat 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 321 11 15

Internet: www.brasseriekeizer.nl Email: info@brasseriekeizer.nl

More Info: Sunday closed in January / February

# Basilica



A hotspot for lunch, dinner, and nightlife. Dedicated chefs transform fresh local ingredients into culinary delights. Beer lovers

come for the eleven beers on tap and 55 different bottled beers. On weekends, Maastricht's most famous DJs keep you dancing late into the night.

Photo: nadianb/Shutterstock.com Address: Vrijthof 15a, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Thu 10:00 AM - 2:00 AM Fri - Sat 10:00

AM - 3:00 AM

Phone: +31 43 321 39 36

Internet: www.basilicamaastricht.nl Email: info@basilicamaastricht.nl

#### Café Zuid



From lounging in a beach bed on the riverside to attending a show at our theatre, everything at Café Zuid is all about the good life. The menu

ranges from irresistible tapas to inspired main dishes.

Photo: RossHelen/Shutterstock.com Address: Plein 1992 15, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Tue 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM Wed - Sat

10:00 AM - 1:00 AM Phone: +31 43 361 05 55 Internet: www.cafezuid.nl Email: info@cafezuid.nl

#### La Bonne Femme



Your day out in
Maastricht should start
right here, tucked away
between the Onze Lieve
Vrouweplein square and
the river. Whether it's

breakfast, lunch, or dinner, the atmosphere is always welcoming. The highlight is always the afternoon aperitivo on the sunny terrace or at the comfortable bar.

Photo: Ryzhkov Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: Graanmarkt 1, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Sat 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 321 68 61 Internet: www.labonnefemme.nl Email: info@labonnefemme.nl

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#### La Chine



A Maastricht favourite for lunch, dinner, a quick bite, or a takeaway. Enjoy delights of Chinese cuisine like their signature original recipe

Peking duck with pancakes. Or, if you like surprises, the chef will put together a special menu just for you.

Photo: AS Food studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Markt 33, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Sat 12:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 321 61 23 Internet: www.lachine.nl

#### Lure



Contemporary hospitality in an ambience that takes you back to days gone by. Afternoon and evening dining, with an extensive menu of house

specialities.

Photo: symbiot/Shutterstock.com

Address: Grote Looiersstraat 7, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Thu 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM Fri - Sat

10:00 AM - 1:00 AM Phone: +31 43 321 17 75

Internet: lure.nl Email: info@lure.nl

#### Pieke Potloed



In the charming
Sporenstraat, between
Amorsplein and Grote
Staat, look for Pieke
Potloed and its lovely
summer/ winter terrace.

Authentic local dishes, with the honesty of the good old days and the attention to quality you

expect today.

Photo: stockcreations/Shutterstock.com Address: Sporenstraat 5, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun 12:00 PM - 12:00 AM Tue - Wed 12:00

PM - 12:00 AM Thu - Sat 11:00 AM-12:00 AM

Phone: +31 43 321 59 68 Internet: www.piekepotloed.nl Email: info@piekepotloed.nl

#### **Petit Bonheur**



Just 200 metres from Vrijthof square and Onze Lieve Vrouweplein square, it's one of the Jeker quarter's best-kept secrets. Petit Bonheur is

a little piece of France, serving extended dinners in the interior courtyard all year long. The kitchen serves Italian and French dishes based on fresh, seasonal products.

Photo: vsl/Shutterstock.com

Address: Achter de Molens 2, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon - Sat 6:00 PM-10:00 PM Sun 5:00 PM -

10:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 321 5109 Internet: www.petitbonheur.nl Email: info@petitbonheur.nl

#### Laus



If you're looking for 'la cucina Italiana' with a twist, look for Restaurant Laus between the Vrijthof and Onze Lieve Vrouweplein squares.

There's no mistaking the traditional Mediterranean hospitality at Laus; the staff make personal contact with every guest.

Photo: alicja neumiler/Shutterstock.com Address: Bredestraat 7, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM Mon - Tue 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM Wed - Fri 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM Sat 12:00 PM - 4:00



PM 5:00 PM -10:00 PM Phone: +31 43 303 00 04

Internet: www.restaurantlaus.nl Email: info@restaurantlaus.nl

#### Brasserie van Buuren



Inside, there is a nice ambiance because of the cozy seating, relaxing music and cuisine.

Outside, the large terrace is the ideal place to enjoy

a good beer on a summer day or to eat one of the popular salads. Besides the many dishes, there are also delicious snacks with drinks available in the evening.

Photo: Marian Weyo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Onze Lieve Vrouweplein 25, Maastricht Opening hours: Sun - Sat 10:00 AM - 2:00 AM

Phone: +31 43 321 22 33 Internet: www.bvbmaastricht.nl

#### Café Sjiek



Although the name might suggest otherwise, Café Sjiek (Chic) is a casual restaurant where you can enjoy 'posh' food and wine in the Maastricht

sense. The menu includes dishes from the region, such as "zoer vleis', 'bloedworst' and sauerkraut. It is also a classy wine bar with fine wines per bottle or glass.

Photo: Brent Hofacker/Shutterstock.com Address: Sint Pieterstraat 13, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon - Wed  $5:00\ PM$  -  $2:00\ AM\ Thu$  - Sun

12:00 PM - 2:00 AM Phone: +31 43 321 01 58 Internet: www.cafesjiek.nl Email: info@cafesjiek.nl

#### **CAFES**



Bodnar Taras/Shutterstock.com

Street cafes and select little shops make a magnet for residents and visitors alike, keen to relax and watch the world go by. Much of Maastricht's evening entertainment is found in the cafes that can be found on most streets.

#### **Brasserie Bonhomme**



Popular with locals and visitors alike, this light, bright grandcafé lies on the banks of the river and serves international light meals and snacks. Sip a

cup of coffee and enjoy the view.

Photo: PPstock/Shutterstock.com

Address: Maaspromenade 78, Maastricht Public Transport: Bus or taxi to the riverside

Opening hours: Mon - Fri 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sat - Sun

10:00 AM - 8:00 PM Phone: +31 43 351 05 18 Internet: www.bonhomme.nl

#### **Ut Lieuwke**



An intimate grandcafé serving Italian-inspired light dishes and wines, the Ut Lieuwke is popular with theatregoers to the nearby Vrijthoftheater.

This is a perfect spot for a relaxed meal.



Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva/Shutterstock.com Address: Grote gracht 62, Maastricht

Opening hours: Thu - Mon 5:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 321 04 59 Internet: www.lieuwke.nl

More Info: Located near Vrijthof square

#### Rilette



Serving French and Italian dishes, this grandcafé doubles as an art gallery and lies within easy reach of the city centre. Don't miss to try

the homemade pesto.

Photo: PRESSLAB/Shutterstock.com Address: Sint Pieterstraat 54, Maastricht Opening hours: Sun - Sat 5:00 PM - 11:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 325 52 84 Internet: www.eetcaferilette.nl

#### Café Sjiek



Café Sjiek is a welcoming little café where good wholesome Dutch dishes are served by a friendly staff. It has a nice terrace overlooking a park. This

is also a good place to go in need for free Wi-Fi.

Photo: baranq/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sint Pieterstraat 13, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon - Wed 5:00 PM - 2:00 AM Thu - Sun

12:00 PM - 2:00 AM Phone: +31 43 321 01 58 Internet: www.cafesjiek.nl

#### **Coffeelovers Plein 1992**



If you want the real deal coffee you should go to Coffeelovers. This is a chain of 6 cafes, all of them with the main purpose to make the best

coffee for their guests. Light snacks and pastries are also available and free WiFi is provided.

Photo: De Repente/Shutterstock.com Address: Ruiterij 2, Plein 1992, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 356 19 44 Internet: www.coffeelovers.nl

# **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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Maastricht has a lot to offer the restless or socially hungry traveller who wishes to explore the nightlife scene. A nice and quiet night at a pub with a thirst quenching beer, or a head spinning dance night? You choose!

#### Café de Bóbbel



Voted best cafe in the Netherlands 2012. The famously good service, unique menu with both regional and house specialities, and the four

house secret recipe cocktails add up to make a visit to Café de Bóbbel a true experience. The house drinks are also available to take home or



as a gift.

Photo: Nykonchuk Oleksii/Shutterstock.com Address: Wolfstraat 32, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Wed 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM Thu - Sat

11:00 AM - 12:00 AM Phone: +31 43 321 74 13

#### Café Forum



Café Forum combines good music with the most delicious craft beers, great food and a full bodied glass of wine. The ideal location for a drink,

lunch, dinner, a live show and some socialising.

Photo: DisobeyArt/Shutterstock.com Address: Sint Pieterstraat 4, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun 11:00 AM - 2:00 AM Mon - Wed 10:00 AM - 2:00 AM Thu 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM Fri 10:00 AM - 3:00

AM Sat 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM Phone: +31 43 851 94 75 Internet: www.cafeforum.eu

# In den Ouden Vogelstruys



Café In den Ouden Vogelstruys (the ancient Ostrich) was the "cafe of the year 1996" in Holland. On its walls you find portraits of regular

customers back in the olden days. Delicacies as the Maastricht cheese "Rommedoe" make a visit to this establishment a true feast.

Photo: Jack Frog/Shutterstock.com Address: Vrijthof 15, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 321 48 88 Internet: www.vogelstruys.nl

#### **Tribunal**



Enjoy real Maastricht sociability every day, from early morning until late at night. Good beers, soup and people. From time to time you can

catch a football game on TV here.

Photo: DisobeyArt/Shutterstock.com Address: Tongersestraat 1, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM Mon - Sat 8:00 AM -

2:00 AM

Phone: +31 43 321 03 90 Internet: www.detribunal.nl

#### Cafe Local



Café Local offers excellent food and a great panorama of the square from their terrace.

Photo: Jacob Lund/Shutterstock.com Address: Markt 38, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM Mon - Thu 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM Fri 9:00 AM - 11:00 PM Sat 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM

Phone: +31 43 326 38 55 Internet: www.cafelocal.nl

#### Wienkontor Bk7



Wienkontor is a trendy wine bar located at Bassinkade 7. The name Bk7 is a reference to the street name and the house number, so it's

very easy to find. Enjoy some sangría under a parasol — perfect for those hot summer days.

Photo: wavebreakmedia/Shutterstock.com Address: Bassinkade 7, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM Tue 2:00 PM - 10:00

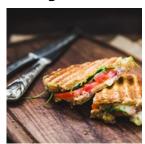


PM 11:00 PM - 2:00 AM Wed - Thu 2:00 PM - 11:00 PM Fri -

Sat 12:00 PM - 2:00 AM Phone: +31 43 711 30 16

Internet: www.wienkontor.nl/english

### Zondag



Since 2001 specialised in panini's and parties. Start your day with breakfast, super coffee and the newspaper. A panini or salad for lunch. Take a

Red Stripe or wine with your tapas. Drink a caffeine bomb carajillo and hop on the dance floor.

Photo: locrifa/Shutterstock.com

Address: Wycker Brugstraat 42, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Thu 10:00 AM - 2:00 AM Fri - Sat 10:00

AM - 3:00 AM

Phone: +31 43 321 93 00 Internet: www.cafezondag.nl

#### In de Karkol



An authentic small typical Maastricht bar that's definitely worth a visit.

Nothing fancy — just good honest staff, cheerful patrons and cold

beer.

Photo: Estrada Anton/Shutterstock.com Address: Stokstraat 5, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon - Wed 12:00 PM - 12:00 AM Thu - Sun

12:00 PM - 2:00 AM Phone: +31 43 321 70 35

Internet: www.indekarkol.nl/c/english

#### **Take Five**



Serving every generation since 1985, Take Five Bar has acquired landmark status in Maastricht. With an eclectic approach to drinks, music and food

Take Five is a spot frequented by the bourgeois, bohemians as well as hipsters

Photo: baranq/Shutterstock.com Address: Bredestraat 14, Maastricht

Phone: +31 43 321 09 71

Internet: www.theneighbourhood.nl/#/take-five-bar

#### Café Falstaff



Café Falstaff is located alongside the romantic St. Amorsplein square in the heart of Maastricht. This cosy pub is famous for its extensive selection

of beers, including no less than 70 specialty beers.

The venue also has a separate upper floor for serving drinks and buffets or à la carte dinners. During the summer, you are also welcome to sit outside in the company of the statue of St. Amor which graces the square.

Photo: Syda Productions

Address: St. Amorsplein 6, Maastricht

Opening hours: Sun - Thu 9:00 AM - 2:00 AM Fri - Sat 9:00

AM - 3:00 AM

Phone: +31 43 321 72 38 Internet: www.cafe-falstaff.com

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#### Café De Pieter



Café De Pieter is a nice old-fashioned cafe with a small terrace on a side street. You can enjoy food with reasonable and good atmosphere both inside

and outside.

Photo: Master1305/Shutterstock.com Address: Sint Pieterstraat 22, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon 3:00 PM - 2:00 AM Tue - Thu 12:00 PM - 2:00 AM Fri - Sat 12:00 PM - 3:00 AM Sun 12:00 PM - 3:00

AM

Phone: +31 43 321 20 02

Internet: www.facebook.com/CafedePieterMaastricht

#### **SHOPPING**



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# CITY OF FASHION AND SHOPPING

Designer boutiques and major labels are found in abundance, punctuated by genuine one-of-a-kind shops with unique must-have fashion, lifestyle, and design items and accessories. All this only adds to the rich setting of the historic city centre. The heart of the city is rightly legendary among fashion-lovers and shopaholics, who can shop to their hearts' content here, seven days a week.

General opening hours

Monday: 1:00 PM-6:00 PM Tuesday: 9:30 AM-6:00 PM Wednesday: 9:30 AM-6:00 PM Thursday: 9:30 AM-9:00 PM

Friday: 9:30 AM-6:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM/6:00 PM

Sunday\* open from 12:00 noon

\*Except New Year's Day, Carnival Sunday, Easter Sunday, Whit Sunday, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day. On the days of the Sacramental Procession (Easter Monday, 6 April) and the city procession (17 May), shops in the city centre open at 1:00 PM.

#### READY, SET, GO: WYCK

This is the place to be if you're looking for a unique outfit or an eye-catching decoration for your home. In Wyck's trendy shops, galleries, cafés, eateries, and delicatessens, Maastricht's gourmets are regular customers.

# FOLLOW THE JEKER

This characterful district is known for its authenticity, charming cafés, and its galleries and interior decor shops alternating with jewellers and delicatessens

# STOKSTRAAT QUARTER

Discover the cream of the crop of haute couture in the Stokstraat quarter, Maastricht's most exclusive shopping district.

# **ENTRE DEUX**

The Entre Deux shopping centre, situated between the Vrijthof square and the Markt square, is the kind of place where you can expect to be surprised and impressed.

#### MOSAE FORUM

Mosae Forum exemplifies everything you expect from shopping in Maastricht At Mosae Forum, you will find dozens of different fashion houses, general shops and speciality shops.



VRIJTHOF SQUARE

Are you looking for special lingerie, Dutch design, unique shoes, or a tailored suit? You'll find what you want in one of the shopping streets surrounding famous Vrijthof square.

# MARKT SQUARE

In the historic vaulted cellars epicures can explore the many culinary shops. The side streets between Markt square and Grote Staat house many original shops selling trendy fashion, jewellery, baby clothes, and cooking utensils.

# Mayfair



Dressed to the nines.
British-oriented men's clothing shop, with a dynamic mix of famous names in English fashion and lesser-known or new

designers.

Photo: Creative Lab/Shutterstock.com Address: Stokstraat 16, Maastricht

Opening hours: Wed - Fri 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sat 10:00 AM -

5:00 PM Sun 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 321 66 10

# Adriaan de Smaakmaker



Taste sensations you just have to try! The tastiest Maastricht souvenirs: mustards, jams, chutneys, dressings, mayonnaises, and much more. All of it

artisan-made and organic.

Photo: ziashusha/Shutterstock.com Address: Sint Pieterstraat 36, Maastricht

Opening hours: Tue - Fri 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sat 10:00 AM -

5:00 PM

Phone: +31 43 325 88 65

Internet: www.adriaandesmaakmaker.nl

#### **De Joffers**



Fashion size 42 and up.
An institution famous in
Maastricht and beyond.
Come by and discover for
yourself that plus sizes
don't have to mean

dressing out of style. Fashion consultants can offer honest, sound advice. Just give it a try, because if you change your mind they do take returns.

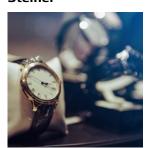
Photo: Ivan Kurmyshov/Shutterstock.com Address: Rechtstraat 74, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Tue 10:00 AM - 5:00

PM

Phone: +31 43 321 82 53

#### Steiner



Vintage watches and jewels. This tiny shop has the atmosphere that everything on the Stokstraat should have! Gorgeous antique jewelry

and watches.

Photo: Creative Lab/Shutterstock.com Address: Stokstraat 2, Maastricht

Opening hours: Mon 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Tue - Wed 11:00 AM

- 5:00 PM Thu - Fri 11:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Phone: + 31 43 325 62 82

Internet: www.steinermaastricht.nl

#### **Bookshop Dominicanen**



Heavenly bookshop.

Spectacular old church,
and thankfully preserved
as a bookshop due to the
efforts of the people of
Maastricht. Great coffee



as well.

Photo: Jorge Franganillo/flickr(image cropped)

Address: Dominicanerkerkstraat 1, 6211 CZ Maastricht Opening hours: Mon 10AM-6PM Tue-Sat 10AM-6PM Sun

12PM-6PM

Phone: +31 43 304 0130

Internet: www.boekhandeldominicanen.nl

# Bisschopsmolen



The smells of fresh-baked bread and vlaai. You just can't walk past that smell of fresh-baked spelt bread and Limburg's favourite sweet tart,

'vlaai', without stopping in here!

Photo: Jorge Franganillo/flickr(image cropped)

Address: Stenenbrug 3

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 9AM-6PM Sun 10AM-5PM

Phone: +31 43 327 0613

Internet: www.bisschopsmolen.nl

# **TOURIST INFORMATION**



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# Passport / Visa



The Netherlands can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

Photo: TukTuk Design/Shutterstock.com

# **Best Time to Visit**



Maastricht enjoys a temperate climate, with relatively mild summers and moderately cold winters. The best times to visit Maastricht for ideal

weather are from mid-April to mid-October based on average temperature and humidity.

Photo: VectorA/Shutterstock.com

# **Airport**



Maastricht is served by the Maastricht Aachen Airport, which is located 9.3 km northeast of Maastricht and 28 km northwest of Aachen,

Germany.



Arriva bus line 30 takes you to the airport, with its bus stop conveniently positioned right in front of the terminal. It has 14 stops departing from Maastricht, Station Perron F and ending in Beek, Maastricht-Aachen Airport.

Taxis are available on demand. You will find a taxi rank with a list of telephone numbers in front of car park P1, to the right of the passenger terminal.

Car rental companies, such as Hertz, Sixt, and Europe car are also offered at Maastricht Aachen Airport.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Maastricht Aachen Airport

Phone: +31 43 358 9898 Internet: www.maa.nl/en/

#### **Public Transport**



The best way to get around Maastricht city centre is on foot, but there are buses and taxis available. Car parking is scarce in the centre. Bus

timetables are displayed at all bus stops, and information is available from the Public Transport Travel Information operator.

From the train station you can get to the centre of Maastricht easily by bus. You can catch any of the buses numbered 1 to 11 leaving from platform B (at the bus station in front of the train station).

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclai

#### Taxi



Taxis are available from the airport and rail station, or by telephone. It is not allowed to hail a taxi on the street. Please note that taxi is not a

common form of transport and is therefore quite expensive. It is also good to know that the drivers often not accept short fares.

Photo: ArrivalGuides Internet: www.taxi.nl

### **Pharmacy**



Pharmacies are generally open from 8AM or 9AM-5:30PM or 6PM weekdays, with Saturday and Sunday openings on a rota basis. Rotas are

displayed at each pharmacy. Telephone 112 (local number) in the event of a medical emergency.

Pharmacy Maastricht UMC+

Address: P. Debyelaan 25, 6229 HX Maastricht Opening hour: 24 hours, seven days a week

Phone: +31 43 387 6543

Photo: Gemma Garner

#### **Post**



Post offices are located in grocery stores and bookstores. The mail boxes are orange coloured and for letters mailed to an international

address, the left slot should be used.

Photo: Andy Fuchs



# **Telephone**



Country code: +31 Area code: 043 Emergency number: 112 In addition to the Dutch, the calls can be answered in German and in English.

Photo: Jardson Almeida

# **Electricity**



230 Volts, 50 Hz

Photo: Stirling Tschan

#### **Population**

Approximately 121,000 (2022)

#### Currency

Euro, 1 € = 100 cents

#### **Opening hours**

General opening hours are from 9:30am–6pm Tuesday to Saturday. Mondays and Sundays have late opening hours.

#### Newspapers

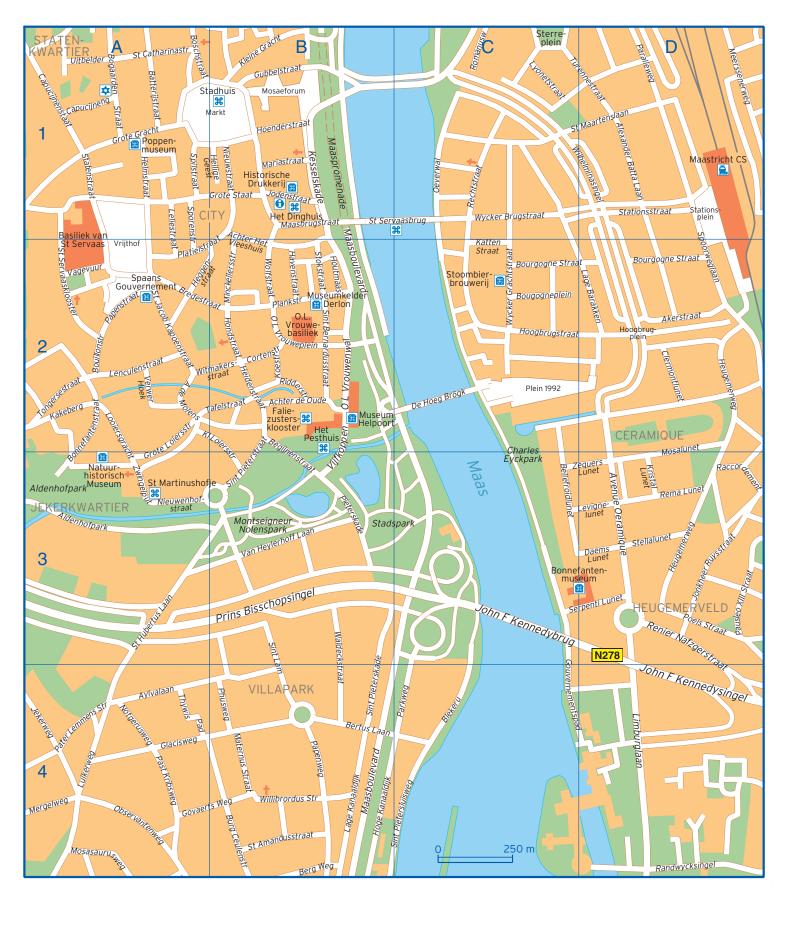
De Limburger – www.limburger.nl De Telegraaf – www.telegraaf.nl Dutch News (in English) – www.dutchnews.nl

# **Emergency numbers**

Police, fire and ambulance: 112

# **Tourist information**

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Achter de Oude Minderbroeders	B2	Jonkheer Ruysstraat	D3	Raccordement	D3
Achter Het Vleeshuis	B1 B2	Kakeberg	A2	Randwycksingel	D4
Akerstraat	D2	Katten Straat	C2	Rechtstraat	C1
Aldenhofpark	A3	Kesselskade	B1	Rema Lunet	D3
Alexander Batta Laan	D1	Kleine Gracht Je	B1	Renier Nafzgerstraat	D3 D4
Avenue Oeramique	D3	Kleine Loiersstraat	A2 B3	Ridderstraat	B2
Aylvalaan	A4	Koestraat	B2	Romanusweg	C1
Batterijstraat	A1	Kristal Lunet	D3	Serpenti Lunet	C3 D3
Begijnenstraat	B2 B3	Lage Barakken	D2	Sint Bernardusstraat	B2
Bellefroidlunet	C3	Lage Kanaaldijk	B4	Sint Lam	B3 B4
Berg Weg	B4	Leliestraat	A1 A2	Sint Pieterskade	B3 B4
Bertus Laan	B4	Lenculenstraat	A2	Sint Pietersluisweg	C4
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Bonnefantenstraat	A2 A3	Looiersgracht	A2 A3	Spoorweglaan	D1 D2
Boschstraat	A1	Luikerweg	A4	Sporenstraat	A1 A2
Bougogneplein	C2	Lyonetstraat	C1	St Amandusstraat	B4
Bouillonstraat	A2	Maasboulevard	B1 B2 B4	St Catharinastraat	A1
Bourgogne Straat	C2 D2	Maasbrugstraat	B1	St Hubertus Laan	A3
Bredestraat	A2 B2	Maaspromenade	B1	St Jacob Kapoenstraat	A2
Burg Ceulenstraat	B4	Mariastraat	B1	St Maartenslaan	C1 D1
Capucijnengang	A1	Markt	A1 B1	St Servaasbrug	B1 C1
Capucijnenstaat	A1	Maternus Straat	B4	St Servaasklooster	A2
Clermontlunet	D2	Meerssenerweg	D1	Statenstraat	A1
Cortenstraat	B2	Mergelweg	A4	Stationsplein	D1
Daems Lunet	D3	Minckellersstraat	B2	Stationsstraat	D1
Glacisweg	A4	Mosaeforum	B1	Stellalunet	D3
Gouvernementspad	C3 C4	Mosalunet	D2 D3	Stokstraat	B2
Govaerts Weg	A4 B4	Mosasaurusweg	A4	Tafelstraat	A2 B2
Grote Gracht	A1	Nieuwenhofstraat	A3	Thywis Pad	A4
Grote Loiersstraat	A2 A3	Nieuwstraat	B1	Tongersestraat	A2
Grote Staat	A1 B1	Notgerusweg	A4	Turennestraat	C1 D1
Gubbelstraat	B1	Observantenweg	A4	Uitbelder	A1
Havenstraat	B2	Onze Lieve Vrouwenwal	B2	Vagevuur	A2
Heggenstraat	A2 B2	Onze Lieve Vrouweplein	B2	Van Heylerhoff Laan	В3
Heidenstraat	B2	Papenstraat	A2	Verwer Hoek	A2
Heilige Geest	B1	Papenweg	B4	Vijfkoppen	B2 B3
Helmstraat	A1	Paralleweg	D1	Vrijthof	A2
Heugemerweg	D2 D3	Parkweg	C4	Waldeckstraat	B3 B4
Hoenderstraat	B1	Past Kribsweg	A4	Wilhelminasingel	C1 D1
Hoge Kanaaldijk	B4	Pater Lemmens Straat	A4	Willibrordus Straat	B4
Hondstraat	B2	Pausleo XIII Straat	D3	Witmakersstraat	A2 B2
Hoogbrugplein	D2	Phusweg	B4	Wolfstraat	B2
Hoogbrugstraat	C2	Pieterskade	В3	Wycker Brugstraat	C1
Houtmaas	B2	Plankstraat	B2	Wycker Grachtstraat	C2
Jekerweg	A4	Platielstraat	A2 B2	Zequers Lunet	C3 D3
Jodenstraat	B1	Plein 1992	C2	Zwingelput	A3
John F Kennedybrug	C3	Poels Straat	D3		