

Meet in Maastricht

Looking to combine business with pleasure? Then check out Maastricht. This compactly laid out city offers excellent facilities for congresses and conferences, for large and small groups alike. And Maastricht is also very internationally oriented - in terms of language skills as well as accessibility. Five airports are nearby and there are fast and comfortable railway links to Brussels, London and Paris. Maastricht is well accessible via various highways: E25/A2 (Amsterdam-Luxembourg), E40 (Cologne-Brussels), E42 (Luttich-Paris), E314 (Maastricht-Aachen). Find out more at www.maastrichtconventionbureau.com

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Legend

pedestrian zone

park

districts :

Vrijthof

Markt

Stokstraatkwartier

Jekerkwartier

Wyck

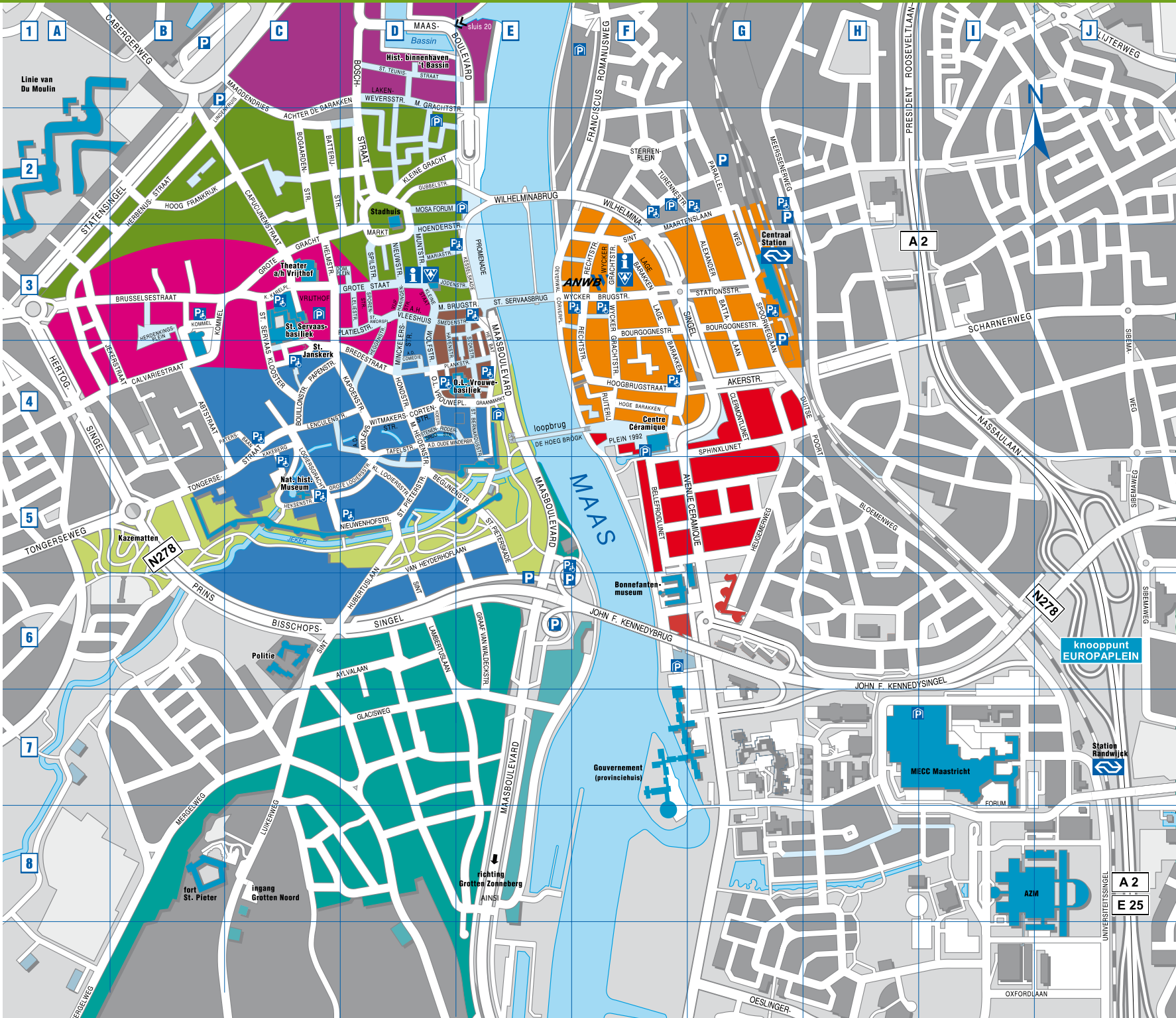
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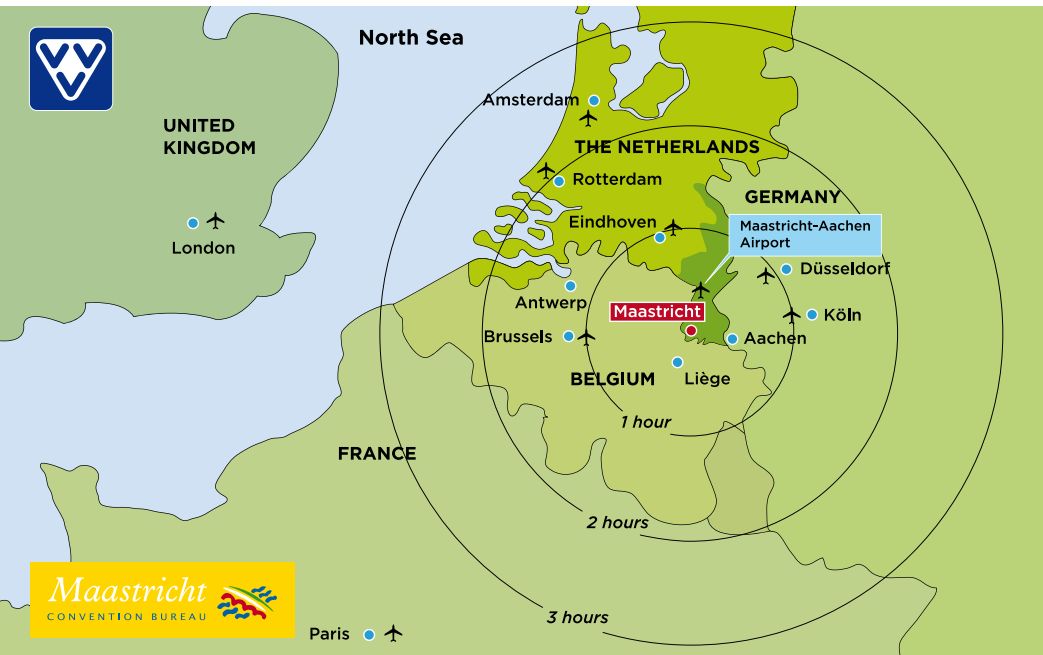
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edge of city centre

500 m



maastricht :
seductive



Seductive Maastricht

Maastricht is often described as a very un-Dutch city. Perhaps this is because of the contemporary, almost Mediterranean atmosphere of the historic centre, or the joie de vivre of the city's inhabitants, or its location in the rolling hill country of South Limburg or some other elusive, indefinable quality. At any rate, everyone agrees that the rich pallet of alluring boutiques, the quality and richness of the cultural opportunities on offer, and the varied gastronomic landscape give the city a decidedly international flavour. Maastricht has it all and more! One day is simply not enough: opportunities galore to find a warm welcome in one of the luxurious, trendy, smaller, larger, family-style or business-oriented hotels which attest to the quality and spirit of the city. Let Maastricht charm and seduce you!



Traces of a rich past

Maastricht can justly refer to itself as one of the oldest cities in the Netherlands. The city itself is a rich outdoor historical museum. All around you in the streets, you will find reminders of the Maastricht that once served as a Roman border checkpoint city, as a pilgrimage city in the Middle Ages, a garrison city, and as the city where the Dutch Industrial Revolution began. Europeans know Maastricht as the city where the Treaty of Maastricht was signed in 1992, leading to the birth of the euro. And Maastricht is still making history: at the end of 2008, Maastricht decided to compete for the title of 'European Capital of Culture' in 2018.



Culture that makes a difference

Discover the artistic side of the city during one of the many cultural festivals, embracing a variety of genres from religious and secular music, opera, modern dance and theatre, to design, pop and modern youth culture. Maastricht encourages creativity; from talented amateur artists to top-level stars. The visual arts can be enjoyed year-round at the Bonnefanten Museum. And 10 days a year, connoisseurs gather to focus on the world's leading art and antiques fair: The European Fine Art Fair, TEFAF. For all events and activities, see www.vvvmaastricht.eu or www.uitburo.nl/maastricht.

City style Maastricht

Fun-shopping may not actually have been invented in Maastricht, but in the Netherlands Maastricht definitely leads the pack! It's the dream of every woman: exclusive fashion and accessories, and a rich array of boutiques. In Maastricht, shopping, culture, galleries, and wining & dining are all part of the landscape. Why not treat yourself or surprise your partner? Maastricht is the place to be!



Maastricht's stars

Dine beside the water or enjoy lunch in a church. In terms of location and cuisine, this gastronomic capital offers a rich smorgasbord of opportunities. No less than five restaurants bear the famous Michelin star, but you can find culinary quality at all price levels here. This is no surprise in a region where traditional craftsmanship is still very highly regarded and where a variety of local wines and cheeses are produced and sold in various specialty shops. Meet the local traditional craftsmen, and share their passion.



Joie de vivre

Maastricht is also synonymous with wellbeing: the surrounding green, hilly countryside invites you to get out and enjoy life. The choices are endless for young and old alike. Practice your swing on one of the rolling golf courses, cycle through the Meuse River valley, or take up the challenge of the green, rolling hills around you. Take a leisurely hike or race down the piste on a snowboard. Relax and enjoy yourself at a health spa. Get the most out of life in Maastricht!

