

Maastricht, Limburg, Netherlands

The Netherlands' most un-Dutch city — birthplace of the EU, laced with medieval walls and underground limestone caves, and famous for its love of good food, wine, and slow living on the Meuse.

- River dock (no tender)
- Typical call: 8–10 hrs
- Euro (€)
- Dutch / English widely spoken

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date:	Arrive:	All aboard:
Excursion:	Notes:	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: River quays along the Maas (Maaspromenade / Kesselkade) — walk straight into town

Best For: History, food & wine, medieval architecture, underground cave tours

Walk to center: 5–10 min to Vrijthof or Markt (flat, ~500 m; cobblestones inside)

Don't Miss: Dominicanen Bookstore, St. Pietersberg Caves, Vrijthof Square, Limburgse Vlaai

Getting around: **Taxi** €10/person one-way · **Rideshare** **Uber**

TOP THINGS TO DO

- St. Pietersberg Caves** — Over 20,000 tunnels carved into limestone — used as WWII shelters and to hide Rembrandt's Night Watch.
- Dominicanen Bookstore** — A 700-year-old Gothic Dominican church converted into one of the world's most beautiful bookstores.
- Vrijthof Square & Basilica Tour** — The city's grand public square, flanked by the Basilica of St.
- Burgundian Food Walk** — Maastricht is the culinary capital of the Netherlands — try Limburgse vlaai (fruit pie) at the Bisschopsmolen...
- Helpoort & Jeker Quarter** — The oldest surviving city gate in the Netherlands (1229), linked to medieval stone walls and the charming Jeker Quarter...

BEST WALKS

- Quay to Vrijthof Loop** ~2 km | 45 min | Easy (flat to cobbles) — Walk off the ship along the Maaspromenade, cross the Sint Servaasbrug (oldest bridge in the Netherlands), stroll through the old town...
- Wyck District Coffee & Boutiques** ~1.5 km | 30–45 min | Easy — Cross to the east bank of the Maas into the trendy Wyck neighborhood for artisan coffee, independent boutiques, and the best bakeries...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	58°	41°	10d
Jun	73°	56°	12d
Aug	74°	58°	14d
Sep	68°	53°	11d
Oct	60°	49°	14d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:42AM–8:32PM · Jun 5:23AM–9:52PM · Aug 6:25AM–8:57PM · Sep 7:13AM–7:50PM · Oct 8:00AM–6:44PM

Euro (€)

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

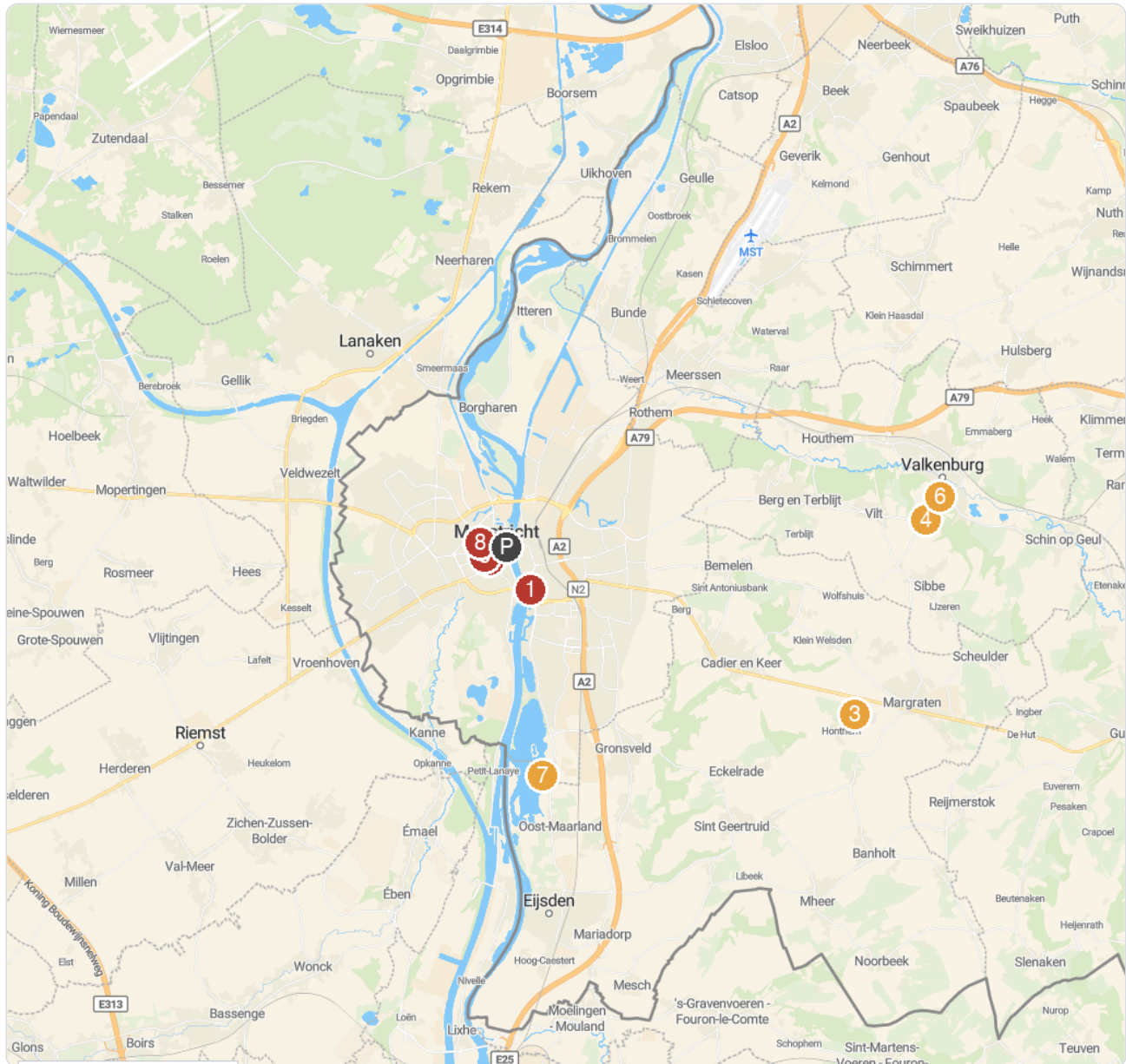
- Watch the bike lanes. Reddish-brown paved strips are cycle lanes with right of way. Cross only at marked crossings — cyclists move fast and quietly.

Etymology of the Bisschopsmolen: The Dickshof Mill is a working 7th century watermill that bakes its own Limburgse vlaai — the

Maastricht, Limburg, Netherlands — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1 Bonnefanten museum** Bonnefanten is a museum for modern and contemporary art.
- 3 Netherlands American Cemetery** A solemn WWII American military cemetery and memorial.
- 5 Treasury St. Servaas** See precious religious relics in St. Servaas Basilica's treasury.
- 7 Fun Valley Maastricht** Fun Valley is a large outdoor adventure and recreation park.
- P Cruise port / terminal**

- 2 Museum aan het Vrijthof** Museum aan het Vrijthof showcases Maastricht's history and art.
- 4 Steenkolenmijn Valkenburg** Explore an authentic, historic coal mine in Valkenburg.
- 6 Fluweelengrot (Velvet cave)** Explore a historic cave system beneath Valkenburg Castle ruins.
- 8 Marres** Marres is a house for contemporary culture and art.