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24 Depot Boijmans Van Beuningen

MVRDV (2020)

The public art depot for the Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen provides an enormous amount of storage space for art, accessible to the public. Furthermore, there is a sculpture roof garden and a restaurant with a beautiful view over Rotterdam.

25 Feyenoord City

OMA (2023)

Feyenoord City is a city area development with a new stadium (to be built partly on the water) for football club Feyenoord at its core. There are also houses and restaurants planned for the area which will provide a boost for Rotterdam Zuid.

26 Coolingsingel

Adriaan Geuze (West 8) (2020)

The Coolingsingel is Rotterdam's central boulevard and will be completely renovated in the years to come. There will be less space for cars and more space for pedestrians, cyclists and for green.

The Dutch Windwheel

DoepelStrijkers (Dutch Windwheel Corporation) (2025)

The Dutch Windwheel must become the showcase for Dutch Clean Technology. The outer ring houses 40 rotating cabins on a rail system (giant coaster), the inner ring is an innovative windmill housing a panorama restaurant, hotel and apartments.

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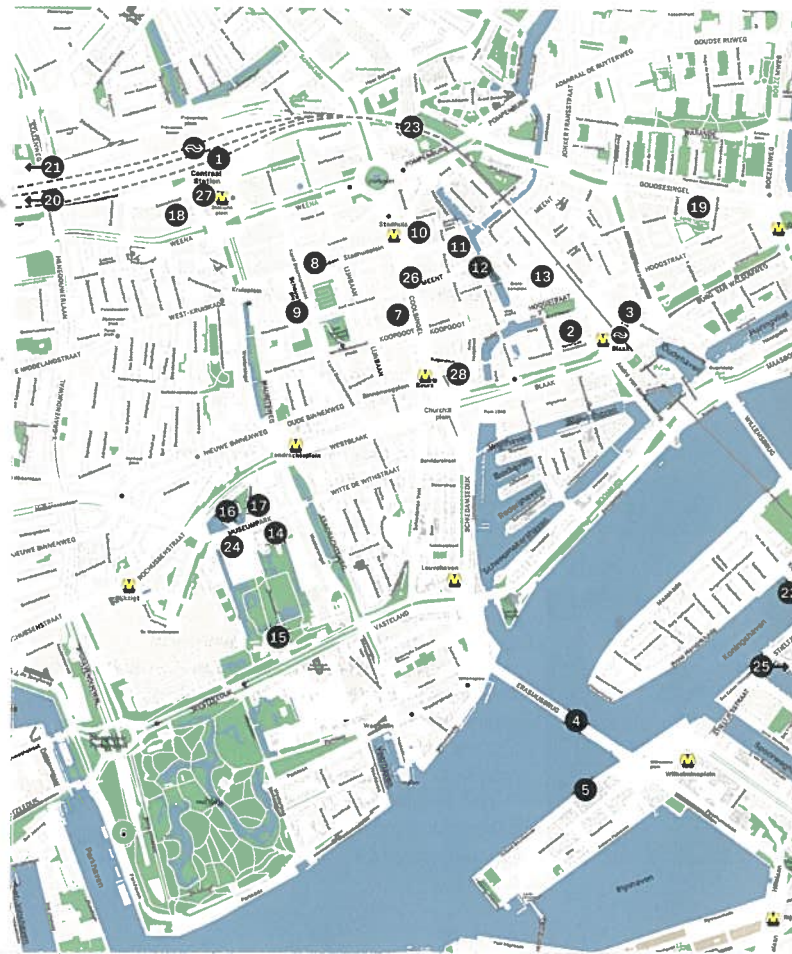


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18 Groot Handelsgebouw

Huig Maaskant, Willem van Tijen (1953)

This national monument is a typical symbol of post-war reconstruction. The huge structure, 220 by 85 metres in size, was built in the early 1950s. There are offices and shops distributed across various levels, with a 1.5 kilometre 'road' through them. It is a leading meeting place for entrepreneurs.



Barf Hoop, 18

DID YOU KNOW?

Urban Guides organizes tours for the factory. In under an hour, Van Nelle's architecture and history, the production and the transformation of the plant to a new future are all covered.

19 Het Industriegebouw

Huig Maaskant, Willem van Tijen (1952)

Het Industriegebouw is from the same architects as the Groot Handelsgebouw. Both buildings have been a national monument since 1991. Its function as a business complex has been restored, it houses a variety of companies from tech start-ups to architects (re)creating the city and from your favourite concept store to breakfast diner.

20 Van Nelle Fabriek

J.A. Brinkman and L.C. van der Vlugt (1931)

The Van Nelle Factory is a classic example of the Nieuwe Bouwen school of Dutch modernist architecture. The ingenious building was designed to provide all the facilities for the employees close at hand, keeping the building fully above-ground to create air, light and space. It was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in June 2014.

Daarzijn



Rob Doolaard

21 Diergaarde Blijdorp

Sybold Van Ravesteyn (1937)

In 1937, Rotterdam Zoo had to be moved from the city centre to make space for urban development. Architect Sybold Van Ravesteyn was commissioned to design the zoo. It was the first in the world to be entirely designed by one architect.

MUST DO!

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22 De Hef

Pieter Joosting (1927)

The railway drawbridge was originally part of the rail line between Rotterdam and Dordrecht. De Hef was no longer needed once the underground rail tunnel was completed, but this national monument is still a defining element in the city skyline.



Claire Droopert

Iris van den Broek



23 Luchtsingel

ZUS (2015)

The Luchtsingel connects Rotterdam North to the centre and revitalises a forgotten area. The project consists out of a wooden pedestrian bridge of 390 metres, The DakAkker (Urban Roof Farm) on Schieblock, a public area at the former station Hofplein and park Pompenburg. Crossing the pedestrian bridge brings you to Station Hofplein, the former station building that is now home to a number of restaurants, shops and a jazz club.



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11 Timmerhuis

OMA (2015)

The Timmerhuis is a historic building behind city hall which has a new addition designed by OMA. The new building is made up of square blocks. The construction only has contact with the ground at two points and this gives the effect of a swaying cloud of pixels.

12 Dudok

Willem Marinus Dudok (1953)

Once an insurance firm, it is now a lively meeting point named after the building's architect. Traces of the original structure of the glass-walled offices can still be seen in the large open space, as well as many authentic details.

13 Laurenskerk

Unknown (between 1449-1525)

The Late Gothic church is the only building still remaining from the medieval city centre. The church received its current shape around 1525, but took heavy damage during the bombardment in May 1940.

Jan Bijl



DID YOU KNOW?

In front of the Laurenskerk you can find the statue of Desiderius Erasmus, a famous Renaissance humanist, theologian and philosopher who was born in Rotterdam around 1468.



MUSEUMPARK

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DID YOU KNOW?

The car park underneath the Museumpark uses split levels and lots of glass for a light, spacious and transparent look.

14 Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen

Adrianus van der Steur (1935), Alexander Bodon (1972), Robbrecht & Daem (2003)

The building of the Netherlands' oldest museum consists of three parts, each with its own function and character. The tower above the old entrance is distinctive and still prominent in the city.

15 Kunsthal Rotterdam

OMA (1992)

The Kunsthal Rotterdam is housed in a striking building designed by OMA. The way that it joins the Westzeedijk, it resembles a modern version of a traditional Dutch dyke house. The six-metre gradient is bridged by a system of sloping ramps.



Jeroen Musch

16 Het Nieuwe Instituut

Jo Coenen (1993, modifications in 2011)

This striking building houses a museum of architecture, fashion, design and e-culture. The building consists of several elements which form a harmonic ensemble with the surrounding environment. By lifting the archive of the museum, an arcade was created beneath it.



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17 Huis Sonneveld

Johannes Brinkman, Leendert van der Vlugt (1933)

The Sonneveld House is one of the best-preserved houses in the Nieuwe Bouwen style, the Dutch branch of the International School of Modernism. A part of the New Institute, the Sonneveld House is a museum home open to the public.



Johannes Schwartz



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1 Rotterdam Centraal

Team CS* (2014)

The roof over the tracks of Rotterdam Central Station is covered in solar panels. The striking hall roof points towards the city centre. Historic elements from the former station building (1957) by Sybold Van Ravesteyn have been re-used, like the original clock in the front façade and the letters spelling out 'Centraal Station'.

* Benthem Crouwel Architecten, MVSA Architects, West 8 Urban Design & Landscape Architecture.

2 Markthal

MVRDV & INBO (2014)

You'll find a market hall in various world-class cities, but the combination with luxury housing makes the Markthal the first of its kind. The apartments are arched over the market in a horseshoe configuration. Look up to enjoy the massive artwork: the 'Horn of Plenty' by Arno Coenen and Iris Roskam.

DID YOU KNOW?
Sign up for an Open Tour on the weekend via De Rotterdam Tours: a one-hour tour of the Markthal.



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3 Kubuswoningen

Piet Blom (1984)

The Cube Houses are part of the Blaakse Bos (Blaakse Wood) development. The architect wanted to design a kind of village within the city and saw the houses as trees and the whole area as a wood. Visit the Kijk-Kubus (Show-Cube) to experience what life is like in a Cube House.

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Looking for a view of the city skyline from the water? Splashtours, a guided tour in a bright yellow amphibious bus, passes various Rotterdam sights before taking a dip ("splash") in the Nieuwe Maas.

DID YOU KNOW?
The ss Rotterdam is permanently moored at the tip of the Katendrecht peninsula. The general areas on the ship, including the restaurants, are open to the public.

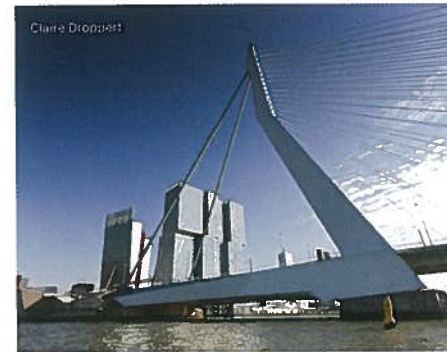


Beelden van Enith

4 Erasmusbrug

Ben van Berkel (1996)

The 800-metre long Erasmus Bridge spans the Nieuwe Maas River. The bridge is part of the redevelopment of an old port area and was specifically designed to be an iconic structure to give the area a strong presence. The suspension bridge has a 139-metre high steel pylon, which is secured with 40 cables. The shape of the pylon gave the bridge its nickname: The Swan.



5 De Rotterdam

OMA (2013)

Architecture aficionados will be astounded by the Wilhelminapier. The world's most famous 'starchitects' have erected buildings here. Álvaro Siza, Renzo Piano, Francine Houben, Norman Foster – and Rotterdam's own Rem Koolhaas (OMA). His De Rotterdam is an iconic example of urban architecture. The three linked towers are nearly 150 metres high, forming a 'vertical city'. The name refers to the ss Rotterdam, the steamship that once sailed a regular route to New York.

6 Euromast

Huig Maaskant (1960)

The Euromast observation tower was constructed to mark the Floriade gardening extravaganza. The tower is made from reinforced concrete. The Euromast lift takes just 30 seconds to whisk visitors to a height of 100 metres, where there is an observation deck and brasserie restaurant. The Euroscope revolving lift takes people up to 185 metres.



Maarten van Houten

7 Bijenkorf

Marcel Breuer, Abraham Elzas (1957)

The façade of this luxury department store is partly clad in hexagonal travertine panels that reference its beehive logo. Naum Gabo's untitled sculpture in front of the Bijenkorf is part of the building.

8 Lijnbaan

Jo van den Broek, Jaap Bakema (1953)

In the 1950s the Lijnbaan was the first car-free shopping promenade in Europe, it was seen as a revolutionary design and copied all over the world. It is still a shopping paradise.



Claire Droppert

9 Schouwburgplein

Adriaan Geuze (1996)

Acclaimed and denounced in equal measure by architecture critics all over the world, the square was built on the roof of a parking garage. Various materials were used in its construction, including an epoxy floor, steel and natural stone plates, and wooden flooring. The bent red lamp posts are evocative echoes of dockside cranes.



Ossip van Duivenbode

10 Stadhuis

Henri Evers (1920)

The City Hall was one of the few buildings to survive the bombardment in 1940. The listed building in Beaux Art style with Byzantine, Roman and Art Deco influences is symmetrically structured around an inner courtyard. The mayor's office is on the first floor of the right corner pavilion.

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