

Travel the Benelux

View Dutch masterpieces at the Mauritshuis

Make a date with the most famous girl in Holland. Meet the bird that is the title object of a bestselling novel. Take an anatomy lesson with Dr. Nicolaes Tulp.

The Mauritshuis museum is located in The Hague (Den Haag in Dutch), the Netherlands, in a beautiful 17th century mansion. It houses the Royal collection of Dutch Golden Age art.

Visit there and you can see "The Girl with the Pearl Earring" by Vermeer, meet "The Goldfinch" by Fabritius, the title object of Donna Tart's bestselling novel and view "The Anatomy Lesson of Dr. Nicolaes Tulp" by Rembrandt.

One of the greatest small art museums in the world, with about 200 paintings on display, it's a joy to visit without getting overwhelmed with too much art like you might at a large museum. This is a not to be missed place to see while you are in Europe. Until May 10, the Mauritshuis also hosts the Frick Collections from New York. More info at <http://www.mauritshuis.nl>.

While in the area

You may want to visit one of the following while in the area:

- **Binnenhof and Ridderzaal** on Lange Poten 4 - The Binnenhof is the center of the Dutch government; the Ridderzaal is the oldest building at the Binnenhof, dating from the 13th century.
- **The International Court of Justice** is housed in the Peace Palace, a beautiful Neo-Renaissance style building on Carnegieplein 2.
- **Scheveningen** is a famous seaside resort on the North Sea.



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GPS address:

Plein 29,
2511 CS The Hague,
the Netherlands
From Mons: 243 km
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- **Somme Battlefield and Peronne Museum, June 20**
- **Phantasia Land, Bruehl, Germany, June 27**
- **Pamplona Running of the Bulls, July 6 to 9**
- **Prague with Heidelberg and Nuremberg, July 26 to 29 (Register by June 26.)**
- **Disney Paris, July 15**
- **Dolfinarium in Harderwijk, the Netherlands, July 23**
- **Atlantic Wall Museum and Oostende, Belgium, Aug. 8**
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