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Netherlands Primate Park & Zoo Expedition

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TRIP OVERVIEW

Rodbaston College – Booking Reference 4595

Trip Dates:

1st July – 5th July 2025

Ferry Crossing:

1st July Ferry Port– Rotterdam Ferry Port arriving 2nd July 2025*

4th July Rotterdam Ferry Port –Hull Ferry Port arriving 5th July 2025*

*Always check the timings on your final documents

Project:

The Netherlands Primate Park and Zoo Expedition

Trip Cost:

£945.00 per person based on 25 students

£300.00 deposit

£322.50 Instalment due 12/03/2025

£322.50 Balance due 09/04/2025

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ABOUT THE PROJECT

Location and project content

The Netherlands

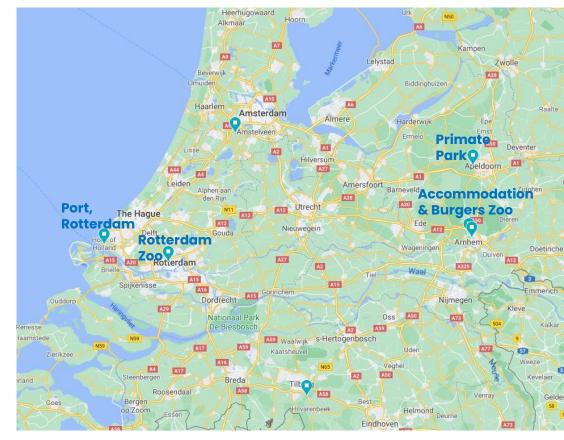
Officially, the country is named the Kingdom of the Netherlands. It's often referred to as Holland, but this references the two provinces of Noord-Holland and Zuid-Holland.

The trip to the Netherlands is in and around the areas of Appeldoorn, Arnhem and Rotterdam. Within striking distance of the UK, you will have the opportunity to experience three fantastic facilities and see some of the beautiful countryside.

Appeldorn is a municipality and city in the province of Gelderland in the centre of the Netherlands.

Arnhem is a city that lies within the Veluwe, a nature park in the east of the Netherlands. It is famous for its spectacular Burgers Zoo and the Open-Air Museum.

Rotterdam city was almost completely reconstructed following WWII, it's known for bold, modern architecture and is the largest port in Europe.



Your Wildlife Park and Zoo Programme

- Experience a park with forested enclosures and roam free with primates.
- Animal behavioral studies during guided talk of primates.
- Presentation by a university level lecturer on diets and enrichment methods for primates (subject to availability).
- Be guided by subject matter experts though some of the largest and best kept environmental displays in the world.

- All guided tours and curricular activities are given with clear learning objectives that you can set.
- See indoor controlled bushlands and a central American desert, landscaped with rocks and vegetation.
- Observe manatees in the largest indoor mangrove swamp in the world.



Venues

- Apenheul Primate Park Their principle is simple: people enjoy animals more when they are having fun. The animals must be able to go their own way and be themselves. So no monkeys in cages or behind bars, but in large, natural outdoor enclosures in wooded areas. You'll roam free with the primates in their forested areas. It's been like this since 1971, with a few stray monkeys and developed into a foundation in 1986 with the objective of nature education and conservation.
- Royal Burgers' Zoo is a 45-hectare zoo in Arnhem, Netherlands and is one of the biggest zoos in the country. The Zoo prides itself on their environmental (eco) displays, where large scale natural habitats are recreated, rather than the traditional zoo enclosures.

See indoor controlled bushlands and a central American desert, landscaped with rocks and vegetation. Observe the largest indoor mangrove swamp in the world and home to the Burgers Zoo manatees. It even boasts the largest living coral reef in Europe.

 Rotterdam Zoo (Diergaarde Blijdorp), is a zoo located in the north western part of Rotterdam. It is one of the oldest zoos in the Netherlands, zoos are an important place to conduct research and Rotterdam zoo is no exception; they have a large number of research projects and in many cases, they work closely with different organisations including universities and research institutions. A number of breeding programmes are co-ordinated at the zoo.

Itinerary

- Day 1 Coach transport from College you will travel up to Hull Ferry Port for an overnight crossing to Europoort, Rotterdam.
- Day 2 On arrival in the Netherlands you will go straight to Apenheul Primate Park where you will spend the day experiencing a forest of free-roaming primates. An educational tour and Q&A with subject matter experts is included. A short transfer to Arnhem where you will be staying overnight at the Arnhem Youth Hostel. Dinner included
- Day 3 After breakfast at the hostel, you will spend the day at Burgers Zoo, Arnhem.

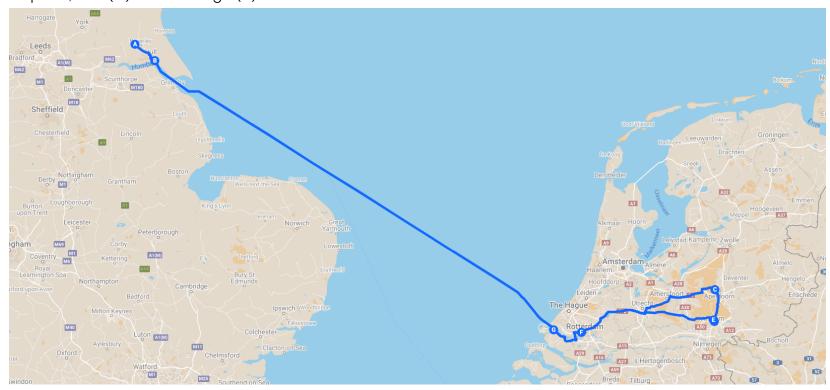
Late afternoon there will be a visit to the shopping mall Kronenburg, before returning to the youth hostel for dinner and overnight stay at the Arnhem Youth Hostel.

- Day 4 After breakfast at the hostel, you will travel to Rotterdam Zoo which will take approximately 1.5 hours. The day will be spent here where you can see the striking feature of the giraffe barn in the African savannah. Packed lunch provided. After a short visit to the local shopping mall, you will head to the ferry port for the overnight crossing to the UK.
- Day 5 It's an early arrival into the port of Hull, from here you'll finish your journey at your chosen drop-off point.



Itinerary Map

(A) -> Ferry Port, Hull (B) -> Europoort, NED (G) -> Apenheul Primate Park,
(C) -> Accommodation (D/E) -> Royal Burgers Zoo (E) -> Rotterdam Zoo
(F) -> Europoort, NED (G) -> BB College (A)



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USEFUL INFORMATION

Details on Accommodation, What's Included, Kit List

ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

Ferry & Arnhem

Shared 4 person cabins are provided on the overnight ferry. Breakfasts and dinner are included for outbound and return.

Accommodation at the Hostel in Arnhem is in 6person rooms each with their own bathroom facilities, bed packs are provided. Breakfast and dinner is provided at the hostel with a packed lunch (self prepared) on days 3 & 4.

There are plenty of cafes & restaurants in Arnhem, the centre is a 10 minute bus ride away, buses run every 10-20 mins; an evening at the bowling alley can be arranged as an optional activity. Or the Open Air museum.









USEFUL INFORMATION

Suggested kit list

- Short sleeve shirts
- T shirts
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Rain jacket
- Sweatshirt/Fleece
- Padded parka jacket/windbreaker warm
- Socks
- Warm Hat (for winter) /Hat for sun protection
- Gloves for warmth (for winter)
- Changes of casual clothes for evenings
- Underwear
- Sandals / flip flops / comfy shoes to wear
- Toiletries
- Personal medical items

Other useful items

- Refillable water bottle
- Camera
- Spare batteries
- Sunglasses /Sunscreen
- Mammal/bird book
- Notebook/diary

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Included

- Coach transport for the duration of the trip
- Ferry crossing
- Accommodation, including a cabin on the ferry
- All meals, except as stated
- Zoo/Park Entry Fees
- Educational talks and tours
- 24/7 support

Not Included

- Personal travel insurance
- Lunch on day 2 and also on departure and return days in the UK
- Any activities not specified as part of the project





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