

Special days in the Netherlands 2015

We love to party. And each year it looks like more special days are added to this (already) long list. Like: planting a tree day. Or: the non-shopping Saturday.....

Some celebrations are national holidays what means everything is closed. Next to our 24 vacations days each year we add a few national holidays what brings the total amount of non-working days at a very reasonable level (at least for employees.) Employers do have a total different opinions about it. They have to pay because vacations days and national holidays means no labor but getting paid doing nothing. Not bad don't you think.

ProHolland made a list of interesting days for tourists. Please let us know in case you what to visit one or more and we will do our utmost best to make it happen.

January 1 st	Nieuwjaardag + Nieuwjaarsduik Scheveningen – New Year dive into the North Sea
February 14 th	Valentijn dag – Valentine's day
February 15 th – 17 th	Carnaval – carnival
February 25 th	Herdenking februari staking WWII – Memorial Feb. strike during WWII, resistance against German occupation
February 26 th – March 1 st	Motorbeurs Utrecht – Motorshow Utrecht
March 20 th	Opening Keukenhof (open until May 17 th) – Flower Gardens Lisse
March 29 th	Start zomertijd – Start daylight saving time
April 1 st	1 April – Fools day
April 3 rd	Goede vrijdag – Good Friday
April 5 th + 6 st	Pasen – Easter
April 12 th	Marathon van Rotterdam – Marathon of Rotterdam
April 16 th	Secretaresse dag – secretary day: our girls exist we mention it in this list.....
April 18 th + 19 th	Nationaal museum weekend – National museum weekend
April 19 th	Superbike races TT circuit Assen – Superbike races Assen
April 25 th	Bloemencorso in Keukenhof Lisse – Flower parade in the Flower Gardens
April 27 th	Koningsdag – King day
May 1 st	Dag van de arbeid – Labour day

May 4 th	Dodenherdenking – Memorial day casualties of war – Memorial day
May 5 th	Nationale bevrijdingsdag – Liberation day
May 9 th -10 th	Nationale molendag – National day of the windmill (or 9 or 10 it depends on the wind)
May 10 th	Moederdag – Mother’s day
May 14 th	Hemelvaartsdag – Ascension day
May 24 th + 25 th	Pinksteren - Pentecost
May 25 th	Dag van het Kasteel (2e pinksterdag) – Castle day
June 13 th	Vlaggetjesdag Scheveningen – the first catch of herring
June 21 st	Vaderdag – Father’s day
June 18 th	Start Ramadan – Beginning of the Ramadan
June 27 th	Veteranendag – Veteran’s day
June 27 th	GP races TT circuit Assen – GP races Assen
June 28 th	Parkpop – Parkpop the Hague: free pop festival
June 28 th	Optocht Goor – Mad Max Parade Goor
July 18 th	Suikerfeest – Eid ul Fitr - End of Ramadan
July 21 st	Nationale feestdag België – National celebration Belgium
July 21 st – 24 th	Nijmeegse 4 daagse – 4 day Marches Nijmegen
July 24 th + 26 th	Zomercarnaval Rotterdam – Summer carnival Rotterdam Optocht – Parade is at July 25 th
July 18 th – 31 st	Skutjesilen Friesland – Sail event with very old sailboats
July 24 th – 26 th	Zwarte Cross Lichtenvoorde – Black cross (crazy motorcycle event) (sold out!!)
July 27 th - August 2 nd	Gay Pride A’dam - Gay pride A’dam
Aug 1 st	Kanaal parade – Canal parade (Gay Pride)
Aug 1 st – 6 th	Sneek week – Festival week Sneek

Aug 28 th – 30 th	Uitmarkt Amsterdam – Beginning of the Cultural season
Aug 30 st	Bavaria city race Rotterdam – Motorsport event Rotterdam
Sept 4 th – 6 th	Wereldhavendagen Rotterdam – Harbor days
Sept 5 th	Bloemencorso Eelde – Flower parade Eelde
Sept 12 th – 13 th	Open monumentendag – National monument day
Sept 15 th	Prinsjesdag (3 ^e dinsdag sept) – Budget day (including a tour of our Queen in her Golden coach)
Oct 18 th	Marathon Amsterdam – Marathon of Amsterdam
Nov 4 th	Dank dag voor gewas en arbeid – Thanksgiving
Dec 5 th	Sinterklaas – St. Nicolas
Dec 25 th + 26 th	Kerstmis – Christmas

Official holidays VS 2015

Jan 1 st	New Year Day (Nieuwjaarsdag)
Jan 19 th	Martin Luther King's birthday (geboortedag Martin Luther King)
Feb 16 th	President's day (geboorte dag 1e president: George Washington)
May 16 th	Memorial day (herdenking oorlogsslachtoffers)
July 4 th	Independence day (onafhankelijkheids dag)
Sept 7 st	Labor day (dag van de arbeid)
Oct 12 th	Columbus day (ontdekking van America)
Nov 11 th	Veterans day (veteranen dag)
Nov 26 th	Thanksgiving (dank dag voor al het goede wat ons is toegekomen)
Dec 25 th + 26 th	Christmas (Kerstfeest)

Official holidays the Netherlands 2015

1 januari 2014	Nieuwjaarsdag- New Year day
3 april 2014	Goede vrijdag – Good Friday
5 april 2014	1e Paasdag - Easter
6 april 2014	2e Paasdag
27 april 2014	Koningsdag – Kings day
5 mei 2014	Bevrijdingsdag – Liberation day
14 mei 2014	Hemelvaartsdag – Ascension day
25 mei 2014	1e Pinksterdag - Pentecost
26 mei 2014	2e Pinksterdag
25 december 2014	1e Kerstdag - Christmas
26 december 2014	2e Kerstdag