EINDHOVEN

Eindhoven is the heart of the southern Netherlands. It is the fifth-largest city in the Netherlands, with a population of about 212,000, almost a third of whom are foreigners.

HISTORY

Until the industrial revolution, Eindhoven was a small and unimportant town. But that all changed in 1891, when a little lightbulb manufacturing company known as Philips was founded in the small city.

During the early 20th century, industry grew exponentially in the city, and with it, the population and importance of Eindhoven.

The tobacco, textile, and later, automobile industries drove the continued growth of Eindhoven throughout the 20th century. During the Second World War, parts of the city were destroyed by air raids. The reconstruction that followed replaced many of the destroyed historical buildings with modern incarnations, including the first high-rises. Since then, the city has embraced modern architecture, and is now known as the capital of Dutch industrial design.

LANGUAGE

One of the things the Dutch are famous for are their language skills. The majority of the people speak English quite well and even a bit of a second or a third foreign language is not an exception.

EINDHOVEN IS VERY WELL KNOWN AS:

- City of lights
  Philips
- Intelligent Community of the Year
- Capital of Dutch Industrial Design
- Great Sports Facilities

as the birthplace of the multinational electronics corporation Philips and what made the city a major technology hub.

as declared by the Intelligent Community Forum (ICF) in New York a few years ago.

as the largest design event in the Netherlands.

which regularly host high-level (inter)national sports events.

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TRANSPORT

By Bus
Since Eindhoven has no trams or an underground, buses are the way to go as far as public transportation within the city is concerned. However, the bus network is very comprehensive, with most places outside of the city centre being accessible by bus.

> http://www.oveindhoven.nl

By Bike
The best way to travel around Eindhoven is to go Dutch - get a bike! As the city centre is compact, you can easily get anywhere you’d like to go by bike, and the comprehensive network of bike lanes mean you’ll never be dodging traffic. You’ll get the full Dutch experience!

By plane
Eindhoven Airport (EIN), the second largest in the Netherlands, lies, just over 4 km west of the city centre. Budget airlines Wizz Air, Ryanair, and Transavia.com service the airport, as well as Air France and several charter airlines. By car (15 min.). By bus: the city bus can take you to the city centre in under half an hour.

WEATHER

The Netherlands have a sea climate, which results in mild winters and relatively cool summers. You should be prepared for some rain; whether it’s autumn, winter, spring or summer, so take an umbrella or rain coat. Compared to other parts of the Netherlands in summer, the temperatures are highest in the southeast, east of Brabant, where Eindhoven is located.

CULTURE

For culture lovers, Eindhoven features a world-class art museum, the not-to-be-missed Van Abbemuseum, as well as a variety of private galleries for the art investor. In addition, a city as keen on design as Eindhoven always has something artistic up its sleeves, so it’s worth checking out events calendar for the most up-to-date information.

NIGHTLIFE

Stratumseind
The longest pub street in the Netherlands. With more than 50 bars and clubs. You can find anything from salsa to rock and roll, a lot of dance & techno, and (Dutch) party music. Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights turn this street into a party that lasts until 4:00.

Markt
Is the heart of the city. Patios line two sides of the square making it an ideal spot for people watching. The patios are comfortable all year long, blankets and heaters make it a great place during the winter but it really shines on warm sunny days.

Dommelstraat
This quiet street is lined mostly with restaurants. This is also a perfect street for a quiet drink after dinner and on a pretty weekend day the street is lined with patios. Choices are extremely varied; Greek, Italian, Spanish, Argentinian and British food are all represented.

Wilhelminaplein
This is where you can find a calmer bar with a more mature crowd. The square also hosts events throughout the year.

> http://www.local-life.com/eindhoven/pubs

> http://www.local-life.com/eindhoven

> http://www.local-life.com/eindhoven/entertainment

> http://www.thisiseindhoven.nl/en

> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z373W6ixsec