

**Greater Moerdijk**

The Municipality of Moerdijk in the Netherlands consists of eleven distinctive towns and villages. The largest are Zevenbergen, Klundert, Standaardbuiten, Willemstad and Fijnaart. Moerdijk is surrounded by waterways: Hollands Diep to the north, Volkerak to the west and Mark and Dintel to the south. Consequently, Moerdijk is an excellent location to spend your time on and near the water.

Cultural history lovers should visit the fortified towns of Willemstad and Klundert and fortresses Sabina, Bovenluis and De Hel. All of these are part of the Zuidewaterlinie: the oldest, longest and most used Dutch Inundation zone – a defence line with fortresses and waterworks. The fortifications remind us of a turbulent past: from the battle against the Spanish oppressors and wars against Napoleon to the German oppressors.

Cyclists and hikers can enjoy the vast polder landscape with farm fields, areas of natural beauty and the streams. Also, visit one of the special events that are hosted throughout the year. For instance, the Light Parade in Standaardbuiten, the Oldtimer Festival in Moerdijk, Klundert by candlelight, or the Fendertse Feestweek (Festival Week) in Fijnaart: Moerdijk is surprisingly versatile!



**Zevenbergen**

Shopping, enjoying culinary delights in one of the outdoor cafés or restaurants, visiting an event, or enjoying the peace and quiet in the surrounding countryside: Zevenbergen caters for all tastes.

Zevenbergen is the largest town of greater Moerdijk. It was first described at the end of the 13th-century when it already flourished thanks to its own harbour. Originally, cutting peat and extracting salt were key activities. Later on, this changed to growing wheat and flax.

Between 1858 and 1987, Zevenbergen was known as a sugar town with no less than four sugar factories at its peak. One of the four, the so-called Old Sugar Factory, is now a listed building.

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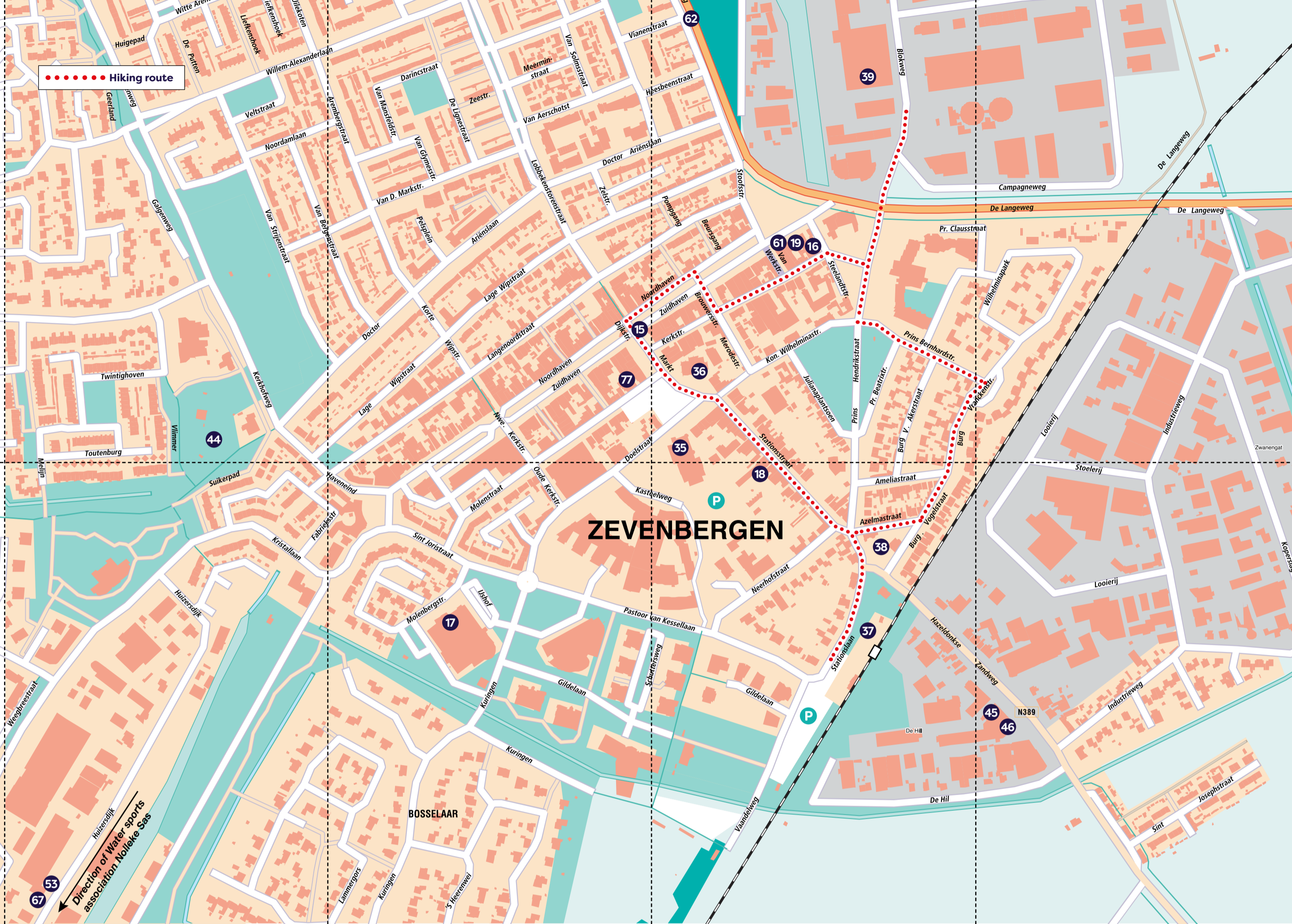
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The former boiler room of the factory often hosts exhibitions.

Zevenbergen's cosy town centre is located on the newly (2021) created harbour. Together with Market Square, this is the bustling centre of Zevenbergen. You will find a wide range of shops, restaurants, bars and outdoor cafés.

The countryside offers plenty of leisure facilities as well. Cycle along the Molendijk and enjoy the views across the river Mark. Or take a break on one of the benches or angling jetties. Zevenbergen offers a range of overnight accommodations and is therefore ideally suited for a multi-day break.



**44 De Dierenploeg**

Petting farm and environmental educational centre De Dierenploeg. A lovely combination of nature and education; petting zoo, herb garden and an information/exhibition centre about plants and animals.  
[Vlimmeren 1, Zevenbergen](http://Vlimmeren.1.Zevenbergen)



**15 Market square and harbour**

Atmospheric heart of Zevenbergen. The square adjoins the new harbour. Its terraces, trees and church buildings form the lively centre of greater Moerdijk.  
[Markt, Zevenbergen](http://Markt, Zevenbergen)

**18 Former boarding school Vincent van Gogh**

In 1864, 11-year-old Vincent van Gogh was sent to this boarding school by his parents. Later, the building became a presbytery.  
[Stationsstraat 16, Zevenbergen](http://Stationsstraat 16, Zevenbergen)

**35 St. Bartholomeuschurch**

Roman Catholic, neo-Romanesque cross church built in 1929/1930. Remarkable is the decorative whitework under the eaves and the portal frames.  
[Markt 19, Zevenbergen](http://Markt 19, Zevenbergen)

**36 St. Catharinachurch**

The oldest parts of this Gothic church date from the 14th-century. The clock dates from 1450 and weighs no less than 700 kilos.  
[Markt 4, Zevenbergen](http://Markt 4, Zevenbergen)

**37 Railway station Zevenbergen**

Built in 1854 to allow the required transport from the four local sugar mills. Today, a national monument and restaurant.  
[Stationslaan 1, Zevenbergen](http://Stationslaan 1, Zevenbergen)

**38 Villa Waterloo**

Villa Waterloo, built in an eclectic style, had, among others, the function of director's house, girls' boarding school and town hall. Next to the villa is the former coach house.  
[Prins Hendrikstraat 4 + 10, Zevenbergen](http://Prins Hendrikstraat 4 + 10, Zevenbergen)

**39 Historic sugar factory**

The historic sugar factory recalls the period when sugar production was the primary local source of income. The former boiler house regularly hosts exhibitions and is a popular photoshoot location for photographers.  
[Blokweg 15, Zevenbergen](http://Blokweg 15, Zevenbergen)