

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

You start at the Aldermen's House 1, where the tourist service 1 has been located since 2018. With your back to the Schepenhuis, go straight on until you reach the statue of Our Margret 2. Then turn right into the Grote Markt 3. Cross diagonally to the Town Hall. You will also find an accessible toilet 1 at the Grote Markt. The Grote Markt and part of the route have been constructed in small, flat cobblestones that are quite easily navigated.

In front of the town hall and to the right, you can see the Opsinjoorke 4 statue. As you look at the Town Hall 5, turn left under the gallery. There is a small threshold of 2 to 3 cm. Then turn right on the corner, into Befferstraat. Stay under the gallery until about half way along, where you leave via a short slope. On the right hand side of the street you can follow a strip of slightly flatter cobblestones. In the street behind the town hall, the Reuzenstraat, you will find an adapted toilet 2 in the Huis van de Mechelaar.

Follow the street for a while and go through a gate on your right at house number 38. This passage takes you to the Rik Wouters garden 6. Here you will find a few benches. At the end of the garden turn left, and then left again in the Rik Woutersstraat. You will then arrive at the Veemarkt, where you turn right. After the Veemarkt, follow the Keizerstraat straight on, until you reach the Palace of Margaret of Austria 7. After that you return to the Vee-markt via the same route. On your right you pass the Palace of Margaret of York 8 and

the Church of St Peter and St Paul 9. On the Veemarkt you cross the street near the awning (car park entrance) towards the bus shelters. Pass behind the bus shelters and cross the square to the street called Biest. On the square and on Biest you will find a few benches.

A little further down the street, you have a choice:

- Continue on Biest via a strip of approximately 50 metres of tricky cobblestones before and around the bend. Then go straight on into the Sint-Janstraat.
- Or take another route to the left via the passage between the buildings (follow the signs to the Diocesaan Pastoraal Centrum). You will then arrive at the Jan De Smedt-plein, where you turn right. That's how you get to the Varkensstraat, which you follow to the end. There is a transverse slope along part of the street. At the end, turn right into the Frederik De Merode-straat. Follow this for a while, until you reach the intersection with Sint-Janstraat. Turn left and cross without a threshold.

In the Sint-Janstraat, walk on the left. On your right-hand side at the corner you will see 't Schipke 10 and then the Hof van Busleyden 11. A little further on you will pass the Church of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist 12. Here, you will find some benches. After the church turn left into Sint-Janskerkhof. At the end, turn right into the small passage-way called Klapgat 13. Follow this to the end.

You then arrive in the Goswin De Stassart-straat. Go to the right and then, at Sint-Jans-straat, cross the street (without a threshold) to the left. Then continue left along the Goswin De Stassartstraat. Walk on the right side of the street, where you will be able to cross the Ankerbrug a little further on. Here, you will see the Groen Waterke 14.

Further on, follow the street to the left. Just before the bend you will find the Archbishop's Palace on your right 15. You then come out on the right, at Sint-Romboutskerkhof. Here, you can see the St. Rumbold's Cathedral and St. Rumbold's Tower 16. The accessible entrance is on the other side. Near that entrance you can also see the statue of den Uil (the Owl) 17. If you are not visiting the cathedral, go through the park which runs parallel to the street. At the end, go a few metres to the left, where you can cross the street without a threshold to Minderbroedersgang.

If you want to visit the cathedral, you have two options:

- Go around the cathedral to the left. To do so, cross the street at the beginning of Sint-Romboutskerkhof, just after the entrance to the car park, and follow it to the left around the cathedral. The small cobblestones are bumpy here and there.
- Go around the cathedral to the right. At the end of the Sint-Romboutskerkhof, cross the street on your left and pass by the front of the cathedral. Further on, to the left, you are advised to go around all of the plants. The

last section of the route towards the accessible entrance, on the side of the Grote Markt, consists of large, rounded cobblestones.

Follow Minderbroedersgang diagonally to the right. You'll pass a few benches here, on the Cultuurplein 18. Further on you will see De Cellekens 19 on your right. At the end, cross the bridge and immediately turn left into Melaan 20. Turn left and continue along the water. After a while you will cross another street on a bridge. A few slopes lead you to the water, and back to the pavement. Here you will find a few more benches.

Cross the street to Persoonshoek and follow it to the right. At the end, turn left and cross the water via a short slope and the Kraanbrug. Here you have a beautiful view of the Huizen Sint-Jozef - De Duiveltjes - Het Paradijs. Turn left into the Haverwerf 21. Follow this until you reach the Lamot site 22, and onwards via the Van Beethovenstraat. You will also find an accessible toilet 3 in the Lamot building. At the end of the street go right for a while, until you reach the Korenmarkt. There you can see the Hof van Cortenbach 23 and the Hof van Schoofs 24.

You can return via the same route. Stay on the left and then go over the Grootbrug via the Guldenstraat. This is an incline. Some of the small cobblestones are uneven on and after the bridge. You will come out in Uzerenleen 25. Follow this to the end. There, you will return to the Aldermen's House, the end point of the tour.




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