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What we do

Historic country estates, medieval castles and ruins, country houses from the 17th and 18th century and a largely nationally registered museum collection of 18,000 pieces. Cultural heritage - nature reserves and parks with very rare plant and animal species, centuries-old tree-lined lanes, burial mounds, celtic fields, thickets and wildlife hedgerows and moors. Natural heritage - the Gelderland Trust is responsible for several extremely valuable estates. Numerous monuments take us back to a spectacular and educational past. From prehistory up to the 20th century. Areas of natural beauty take us back to the essentials of life. We preserve and protect all these riches and would like you to enjoy them as well.

Who we are

Gelderland is the largest and most varied province in the Netherlands. We have already saved many natural and cultural gems from decline here. We are an independent NGO, carrying out preservation and management work ourselves, with the support of more than 42,000 benefactors, the National Postcode Lottery and the government. In total The Gelderland Trust already owns some 11,000 hectares of historical land and over thirty historic houses; altogether more than 135 of the most beautiful places in Gelderland. Almost all areas are accessible to the public, and seven castles and historic houses are open to the public as well. Many people have already visited these places to feel, taste and smell for themselves. We will be pleased to welcome you as well!

Because there are many stairs in the castles, only Zypendaal House is accessible to wheel chair users. All sites are closed on the Queen's Birthday, 30 April.

Members have free entry to the castles open to the public during normal opening times. Members often receive a discount on entry for special events. Dogs are not allowed into the castles and houses.

Ammersoyen Castle

Kasteellaan 1, 5342 JR Ammerzoden

Tel: (073) 594 9582

An impressive 14th century stronghold. The upper floor has an exhibition of everyday utensils found in the moat. These archaeological finds give a picture of daily life in the castle over a period of 600 years.

Open: 1 Apr to 31 Oct, Tue-Fri - guided tours 11am - 4pm, on the hour, Sat and Sun guided tours from 1pm on the hour; 1 Nov to 31 Mar, Wed guided tours from 1pm - 4pm on the hour. Also open on Easter Monday and Whitsuntide (1pm - 5pm, guided tours to 4pm on the hour). Ammersoyen Castle is closed on the Queen's Birthday, 30 April.

Cannenburg Castle

M. van Rossumplein 4, 8171 EB Vaassen

Tel: (0578) 571 292

Built by Marten van Rossem, Marshall of Gelderland, in the middle of the 16th century. The rooms have been furnished to give them a 'lived-in' atmosphere, with an important collection of furniture, china and paintings.

Open: 15 Apr to 30 Jun and 1 Sep to 26 Oct, Tues-Thurs, guided tours from 10am on the hour until 4pm (last tour), Sat and Sun guided tours from 1pm every half hour, until 4pm (last tour); Jul and Aug, Tues-Fri, guided tours from 10am every half hour (with the exception of 12:30pm) until 4pm (last guided tour), Sat and Sun guided tours from 1pm every half hour, until 4pm (last tour). Also open Whitsuntide 11am-5pm, tour schedule similar to Sundays. Cannenburg Castle is closed on the Queen's Birthday, 30 April.

Doorwerth Castle

Fonteinallee 2, 6865 ND Doorwerth

Tel: (026) 339 7406

An impressive castle, situated close to the Rhine, originally dates from 13th century, enlarged several times over following centuries. The castle was badly damaged during WW II but has since been restored. There are three museums in the main stronghold - the Castle Museum including an exhibition on the history of native forestry, the Veluwezoom Museum, and the Dutch Museum for Hunting.

Open: all year, Tue-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 1-5pm, Sun 11am-5pm. Last admission 4pm. Also open on Easter Sunday and Monday,

Whitsuntide, and Christmas Monday 11am–5pm. Doorwerth Castle is closed on the Queen's Birthday, 30 April, Christmas Sunday, New Years Eve and New Years day.

Hernen Castle

Dorpsstraat 40, 6616 AH Hernen

Tel: (048) 753 1976

This sturdy fortress is one of the most important examples of a fortified house in the Netherlands. The wall walks from the Middle Ages are unique in the Netherlands. The Castle has hardly been lived in since the 17th century and retains a great deal of its original character with little change to the exterior.

Open: 15 Apr-31 Oct Wed, Thur & Sat, guided tours from 1pm-4pm on the hour.

Also open on Whitsuntide (guided tours from 1pm-4pm on the hour). Hernen Castle is closed on the Queen's Birthday, 30 April.

Rosendael Castle and Rosendael Park

Rosendael 1, 6891 DA Rozendaal

Tel: (026) 364 4645

Rosendael Castle gives a wonderful picture of what life was like in a castle. The collections of furniture, silver and china from the 18th and 19th century are exceptional, but Rosendael's history goes back to the period when it was the residence of the Earls and Dukes of Gelderland. There are exceptional ornaments in the garden and the Dutch National Agapanthus Collection.

The Park is open 15 Apr-31 Oct Tue-Sun guided tours at 11:30am, and 1pm-4pm on the hour. The Castle is open Tues to Sat guided tours at 11:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm 4pm. Sun guided tours at 11:30am, 1pm, 1:45pm, 2:30pm, 3:15pm and 4pm. Also open on Easter Sunday and Monday and Whitsuntide (11am – 5pm, opening times similar to Sundays). Rosendael Castle is closed on the Queen's Birthday, 30 April. The Castle can only be visited with a guided tour, although the park can be visited on your own.

Verwolde House

J. Emilelaan 4, 7245 TL Laren (near Lochem)

Tel: (057) 340 1825

This classicist nobleman's house dates back to 1776 and is located in a privately owned estate. Hugo Poortman designed the garden in 1926. The guided tour takes in the Chinese room, the reception hall and the bedchambers.

Open: 15 Apr-31 Oct, Tue-Fri guided tours from 11am-4pm on the hour. Sat and Sun guided tours from 1pm-4pm on the hour. Also

open on Whitsuntide (11am-5pm tour schedule similar to Sundays).
Verwolde House is closed on the Queen's Birthday, 30 April.

Zypendaal House

Zypendaalseweg 44, 6814 CL Arnhem

Tel: (026) 355 2555

A 20-minute walk from the railway station in Arnhem, through Sonsbeek Park and the 19th century Zypendaal country park. This authentically furnished country house dates back to 1762 has many memories of its former occupants the Brantsen family.

Open: 1 Apr-31 Oct, Wed and Sun guided tours from 1-4pm on the hour. Also open on Easter Sunday and Monday and Whitsuntide (guided tours from 1-4pm on the hour). Zypendaal House is closed on the Queen's Birthday, 30 April.