

PROGRAMME FOR EXCURSION NR. 2

Excursion to the National Park Hoge Veluwe

National Park Hoge Veluwe is a relict from glaciers that covered the Netherlands during Saalien (2 104 – 1.2 104 years ago). It is a large complex of ice-pushed ridges with an elevation up to 110 m+NAP. Excess rainwater can infiltrate in the sandy soil and feeds the underlying aquifer. This groundwater rises to the surface in springs and brooks in the surrounding area. In this excursion the geology and related water management of the region will be shown. The excursion will start on top of an ice-pushed ridge with an overview to the adjacent river landscape. Then we will visit an old mill-brook, which is fed by Veluwe water, and some of the upper branches of this brook (manmade springs). This field trip is followed by a visit in the afternoon to the National Park Hoge Veluwe and the Kröller Muller Museum which hosts many famous paintings of Dutch masters such as Van Gogh. De Hoge Veluwe National Park is the largest actively managed conservation area in private hands in the Netherlands. The Park covers 5,400 hectares of woodland, heathland, peat bogs and drift sand. It enjoys a wide variety of plants and animals and provides habitats to extremely rare Red List species. You have the possibility to bicycle on free bikes or walk in the park by yourself or enjoy a visit to the Kröller-Müller museum on your own.

This trip will leave by bus at the Hof van Wageningen on 08.30 hrs and return around 17.30 hours.

This excursion will be guided by Roel Dijksma, Wageningen UR, Section Hydrology and Quantative Water Management
Organization Coordinator: Ms Mascha Rasenberg

Max. 50 participants

Programme:

- 08.30 hrs departure by bus (nr. 2) at Hof van Wageningen, 08.45 Hotel de Wageningsche Berg
- Arboretum, Wageningse Berg
- Mill brook, Renkum
- Approx. 12.00 hrs lunch (if possible in the open air, otherwise in the bus)
- 13.00 hrs National Park Hoge Veluwe, see: [National Park Hoge Veluwe](#)
- 13.00-16.00 hrs Visit of the Park and the Kröller Möller Museum/sculpture garden on your own (the bus stops near the Kröller Möller Museum, see: [Museum Kröller Müller](#))
- 16.30 hours: bus departure to the Hof van Wageningen, refreshments in the bus
Return around 17.00-17.30 hrs at Hof van Wageningen

Coffee/tea, lunch and refreshment are included and will be offered in the field (depending on the weather, otherwise in the bus)

This excursion exists of walking trips in the open air in various terrains, so we advise you to wear watertight easy walking or hiking shoes and bring rainclothes with you. The average temperature in August is 18-20 degrees Celsius, with a fair possibility of rainfall.

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