

Ready to get to know your neighbourhood? This self-guided tour will cover the basics you need in your day to day life, as well as the hidden gems that make this section of the city unique.

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1 WASTE

You need a card to get rid of your general waste - contact your landlord or housing association if you don't yet have one. There are separate bins for paper and glass, which don't need a card. If you want to receive more information about waste collection, visit Groningen.nl and look up "Municipal Services".

2 BUURTCENTRUM

POORTERSHOES | Oosterweg 13

The Poortershoes (Porter's House) neighbourhood centre offers a wide range of sports activities, as well as a sewing club, language courses and drawing courses. You can also come here for lunch, dinner or take away.

3 EUROBORG | Boumaboulevard 41

Home to FC Groningen, the city's football team, this stadium also holds a large movie theatre (Kineopolis) and the biggest Jumbo in town, which is open 365 days a year.

4 WINKELSTRAAT

MEEUWERDERWEG | Meeuwerderweg

All the shops in this neighbourhood are located on this street: a Coop supermarket, a copy shop, a post office (Primera Tabakwinkel), a flower shop, a bike shop, a pharmacy and a cash machine. The Meeuwerderweg is also home to some pubs and eateries, such as the most famous spot for fries in town - Friet van Piet. Even prime minister Mark Rutte scored some fries here when he visited Groningen.

5 SPOT/DE OOSTERPOORT + CBK | Trompsingel 27

This Groningen music venue has been an institution for decades. It will be relocating to a brand new facility near the train station in the coming years, so try and see a show in the main hall, complete with a concert organ, while you still can. The CBK, which is also located here, is an art centre that loans out works of art that you can display in your own home.

6 HUISARTSENPRAKTIJK OOSTERPOORT | Meeuwerderweg 4

You will need to register at a general practitioner's office for when you need to see a doctor. Two general practitioners are located inside this building. You can find more information about the Dutch healthcare system at Groningen.nl.

7 BUURTTUIN OOSTERPOORT | Mauritsstraat

Hidden behind the Mauritshuis, this magical green space is better known as the secret garden by kids in the Oosterpoort. With its winding paths, stick huts and flower meadow, this 2,000 square meter playground appeals to the imagination of children of all ages.

8 SWIMMING IN THE WINSCHOTERDIEP | Verlengde Winschoterdiep

During the summer, you can go for an open air swim in the waters of the Winschoterdiep – in Groningen, canals are referred to as "diepen". You can climb right in at one of the swimming ladders along the water's edge.

9 SPORTAMICE TENNISBAAN | Verlengde Lodewijkstraat

This tennis court is free of charge and open to everyone.

10 KROEG VAN KLAAS | Oosterweg 26

It doesn't get more Dutch than this classic bruincafe.

11 PIKKERT FIETSEN | Oosterweg 27

You can stop by this bike shop to answer all your fiets-related questions.

12 PRINS CLAUS CONSERVATORY | Meeuwerderweg 1

The musical conservatory, which is part of the Hanzehogeschool, is filled with talented young musicians from around the world. Every month, the conservatory hosts classical, chamber and jazz performances inside their concert halls with impeccable acoustics.

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