

The Netherlands

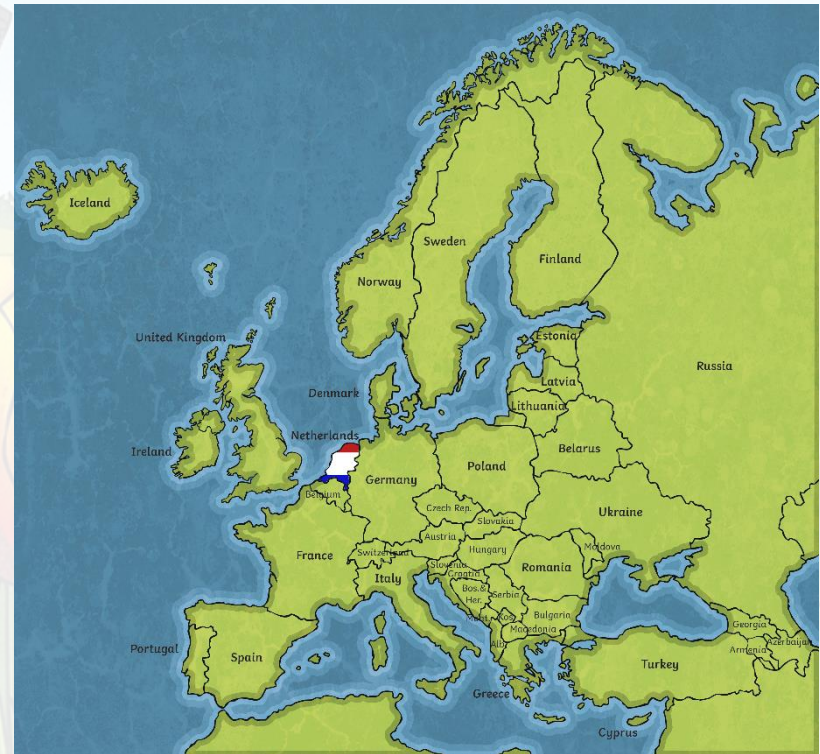


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Facts about the Netherlands

The Netherlands is officially called the Kingdom of the Netherlands, but some people call it 'Holland'.

People from the Netherlands are called 'Dutch'.



Culture

The national flag of The Netherlands consists of a horizontal tricolour of red, white and blue.

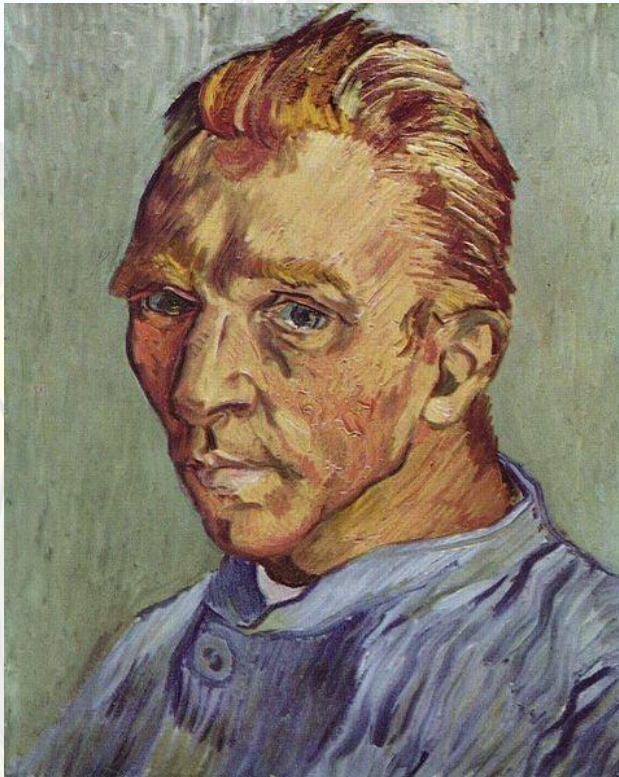
The red stripe on the flag used to be orange, but was officially changed in 1937.



Orange is an important colour to the Dutch people and many of their sports teams play in orange. This is because the royal family has adopted the name Orange-Nassau and they are known as 'the oranges'.

Culture

- Population: 17.08 million
- Capital City: Amsterdam



The official
language is
Dutch



Tulips

The Netherlands are known for growing flowers. They are especially famous for growing tulips!



Food

One of the Netherlands' most famous dishes is haring. This is a fish called herring that is served raw (uncooked) with onions and gherkins. Traditionally, people eat it in a special way too. They hold one end above their head and take a bite upwards.



Food



Patat

These are like chips, but thicker.



Kroket

These are deep fried rolls with meat ragout inside.

Food



poffertjes

These are like pancakes but much smaller and fluffier.



drop

This is what the Dutch call liquorice, it is very popular.

Cheese

The Dutch love to eat cheese and will eat it for breakfast, lunch and dinner.



Gouda



Edam

School

In the Netherlands, education is free for all those that live in the country. Children begin primary school at the age of 5 and finish when they are 12. They don't have school uniforms in the Netherlands.



At the age of 12, children in the Netherlands take a test which decides what type of secondary school they go to.

Secondary schools are split into three different types. This means that children can go to a school that matches their test score and interests.

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The background of the slide features a stylized illustration. In the upper left, a traditional Dutch windmill with four white sails is visible against a blue sky. The lower portion of the image is filled with a dense field of tulips in various colors, including red, yellow, and pink, with green grass at the bottom.

What have you learnt
about the Netherlands?



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