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Candidate Information Pack

Venlo, The Netherlands
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1. Venlo



1.1 Overview

Venlo is a municipality and a city in the south-eastern Netherlands, next to the German border. It is situated in the province of Limburg.

In 2001, the municipalities of Belfeld and Tegelen were merged into the municipality of Venlo. Tegelen was originally part of the Duchy of Jülich centuries ago, whereas Venlo has a past in the Duchy of Guelders. On 1 January 2010, the municipality of Arcen en Velden, was merged into the municipality of Venlo.

Roman and Celtic coins and remains of a Roman bridge across the river Meuse have been found in Venlo; it may have been the settlement known as Sablones on the Roman road connecting Maastricht with Xanten. Blerick, on the west bank, was known as Blariacum.

Documents from the 9th century mention Venlo as a trade post; it developed into one of the more important ones in the Meuse-Rhine area, receiving city rights in 1343, and becoming a member of the Hanseatic League in 1375.

Because of its strategic importance, the city of Venlo was besieged several times. The most significant siege was that of 1702, carried on by Menno van Coehoorn. Consequently, Venlo was incorporated into the Generaliteitslanden of the United Provinces and later became part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

1.2 Things to do in Venlo

Filia Mosae runs boat trips on the Meuse or the Leukermeer lake almost every day. Choose from trips lasting 1½ hours, 2 hours or 3 hours. For more information about the various pleasure cruises and the schedule, please visit www.filiamosae.nl



Discover the natural beauty of plants and flowers in the gardens around Arcen Castle. The castle forms a grand backdrop for regular exhibitions and events.

The Castle Gardens have an abundance of colours and scents in store for you, including the Rosarium which features over 10,000 rosebushes of no less than 500 varieties. Embark on a journey through the world gardens, discover the world of Mediterranean plants in

the Casa Verde and stop for a rest in the shade of the 'Lommerrijk'. Each individual garden offers a new 'green' experience

Wines & Golf at Kapelkeshof

Located in Grashoek, Kapelkeshof offers a wide range of facilities to ensure a day of maximum enjoyment.

Kapelkeshof features an 18-hole golf course, a vineyard, a winery, a welcoming restaurant and a wonderful terrace offering views out over the golf course. After a brief introduction to golf, anyone is allowed to take to the golf course, even without a GVB licence.

Anyone can play on the Kapelkeshof 18-hole short golf course. With lengths ranging between 40 and 116 metres, the distances are shorter than in regular golf, so that each hole can be completed in three shots, also known as 'par 3'.

After a round of golf, you can relax and enjoy a lunch or dinner of regional dishes accompanied by a delicious glass of wine from our own vineyard.

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The Tiendschuur ceramics centre is situated on the unique and historic Kasteel Holtmühle estate, surrounded by splendid gardens in a range of styles. The ceramics centre provides interesting insights into ceramics made locally in Tegelen through the centuries, and also displays highlights from the world of ceramics today.

The Tiendschuur organises temporary exhibitions featuring ceramics from around the world, as well as workshops, demonstrations, guided tours, treasure hunts and children's parties.

TREF Venlo Shopping Center

Tref in Venlo offers plenty of shopping fun - whether for your everyday groceries or you just fancy wandering around the shops looking for something nice to brighten up your wardrobe or your home. The Tref indoor shopping centre features no less than 11 different shops, all under one roof.

Not only is Tref easy to reach and open every day (including Sundays), it also offers free parking!



2. Cost of Living

Restaurants	Avg.	Range
Meal, Inexpensive Restaurant	15.00 €	12.00 - 20.00
Meal for 2, Mid-range Restaurant, Three-course	42.50 €	30.00 - 50.00
Combo Meal at McDonalds or Similar	6.25 €	6.00 - 7.00
Domestic Beer (0.5 liter draught)	3.00 €	1.20 - 4.00
Imported Beer (0.33 liter bottle)	2.70 €	1.30 - 4.00
Cappuccino (regular)	2.00 €	1.00 - 2.50
Coke/Pepsi (0.33 liter bottle)	1.68 €	1.00 - 2.50
Water (0.33 liter bottle)	1.38 €	1.00 - 1.80

Markets	Avg.	Range
Milk (regular), 1 liter	0.80 €	0.58 - 1.00
Loaf of Fresh White Bread (500g)	1.35 €	1.00 - 2.00
Eggs (12)	1.62 €	1.25 - 2.10
Fresh Cheese (1kg)	10.50 €	6.00 - 15.00
Chicken Breasts (Boneless, Skinless), (1kg)	6.38 €	5.00 - 7.70
Apples (1kg)	1.32 €	1.00 1.50
Oranges (1kg)	2.12 €	1.50 - 2.75
Potato (1kg)	0.60 €	0.50 - 0.70

Lettuce (1 head)	0.88 €	0.80 - 0.95
Water (1.5 liter bottle)	0.82 €	0.48 - 1.00
Bottle of Wine (Mid-Range)	4.00 €	4.00 - 4.00
Domestic Beer (0.5 liter bottle)	0.95 €	0.70 - 1.20
Imported Beer (0.33 liter bottle)	1.23 €	1.00 - 1.40
Pack of Cigarettes (Marlboro)	5.00 €	

3. Transport

The most common means of transportation in the Netherlands is the bike. The country is also known for its convenient and punctual transportation- train or bus

The Venlo railway station is a junction station. It provides regular connections to the Dutch cities of Eindhoven, Roermond, and Nijmegen. Furthermore, it provides regular international connections to Germany, via Kaldenkirchen (the first stop in Germany) and Viersen to Mönchengladbach

Transportation	Avg.	Range
One-way Ticket (local transport)	2.27 €	1.80 - 2.60
Monthly Pass	55.00 €	40.00 - 70.00
Taxi Start (Normal Tariff)	8.00 €	8.00 - 8.00
Taxi 1km (Normal Tariff)	3.00 €	2.00 - 4.00
Gasoline (1 liter)	1.61 €	1.50 - 1.70
Volkswagen Golf 1.4 90 KW Trendline (Or Equivalent New Car)	28,695.00 €	22,390.00 - 35,000.00

4. Accommodation

Utilities (Monthly)	Avg.	
Basic (Electricity, Gas, Water, Garbage) for 85m2 Apartment	146.31 €	100.00
		216.36
Internet (6 Mbps, Unlimited Data, Cable/ADSL)	24.23 €	17.50
		35.00
Rent Per Month	Avg.	
Apartment (1 bedroom) in City Centre	826.35 €	450.00
		1,200.00
Apartment (1 bedroom) Outside of Centre	624.44 €	350.00
		950.00
Apartment (3 bedrooms) in City Centre	1,339.12 €	800.00
		2,000.00
Apartment (3 bedrooms) Outside of Centre	1,010.00 €	650.00
		1,500.00
Buy Apartment Price	Avg.	
Price per Square Meter to Buy Apartment in City Centre	3,097.21 €	2,000.00
		5,000.00
Price per Square Meter to Buy Apartment Outside of Centre	2,308.59 €	1,500.00
		3,053.00