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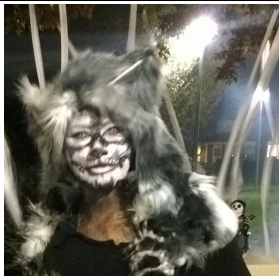

Event Title	New Years swim in the North sea and since some years also in the lakes.
Place of event	Northsea beaches at Scheveningen, Noordwijk, Zandvoort etc. Lakes all over the country. Nearby Scherpenzeel: go to Voorthuizen
Date or month	January, 1.
Contact	http://www.nieuwjaarsduik.info http://www.oudjaarsduik.nl at Voorthuizen
Photos and/or videos	http://www.nieuwjaarsduik.info http://www.oudjaarsduik.nl at Voorthuizen, see "foto's"  
Event Title	Carnaval , especially in the South of the Netherlands. Above the "great rivers" in a very simple way.
Place of event	In all towns and villages in the South of the Netherlands. Great parades in big cities like Den Bosch, Tilburg, Eindhoven, Maastricht, Roermond etc. etc,
Date or month	February, 15-16-17 (2016: February 7-8-9)
Contact	Every local community in the South of the Netherlands, VVV's
Photos and/or videos	http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=carnaval&qpvt=carnaval
Event Title	Matthäus Passion
Place of event	A lot of cities in the Netherlands, most famous concert is at Naarden in the big church
Date or month	Good Friday, April 3 (2016: March 25)
Contact	www.bachvereniging.nl
Photos and/or videos	http://www.grotekerknaarden.nl/wp/fotos/



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Event Title	Eastern, searching eggs
Place of event	A lot of villages and towns, also private houses, included Scherpenzeel-Renswoude- Woudenberg
Date or month	Eastern, April 5 and 6 (2016: March 25-26)
Contact	http://ymlp.com/zfAsBm for Scherpenzeel
Photos and/or videos	http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=paaseieren+zoeken&qvvt=paaseieren+zoeken&FORM=IGRE  pct
Event Title	Kings day , The birthday of king Willem-Alexander is celebrated and everybody dresses in the Dutch national color orange. Parties are organized everywhere and especially Amsterdam has a large 'free market', where you can buy everything.
Place of event	All over the Netherlands. Scherpenzeel
Date or month	27 April
Contact	www.ovscherpenzeel.nl/programma and other "Oranjeverenigingen" in the Netherlands
Photos and/or videos	http://ymlp.com/zfAsBm#VVV http://koningsdagnederland.com/koningsdag-2015/  pct  pct
Event Title	May fires (Dutch: meivuren). According to ancient tradition, May is the fertility month. The start of this special month is celebrated by igniting large fires. Celebrations are especially large on the islands in the North.
Place of event	Islands of Vlieland, Texel and Terschelling.
Date or	May, 1.



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Contact	http://www.frieslandactueel.nl/2013/05/01/eilanders-genieten-bij-meivuren-op-terschelling/ http://www.waddenpost.nl/de/node/2409
Photos and/or videos	http://www.frieslandactueel.nl/2013/05/01/eilanders-genieten-bij-meivuren-op-terschelling/ http://www.waddenpost.nl/de/node/2409
Event Title	Memorial day (Dutch: dodenherdenking). On this day, all deaths caused by armed conflicts since the Second World War are memorialized.
Place of event	All over the Netherlands, big memory events at Amsterdam, De Dam, National Monument and at Wassenaar, Waalsdorpervlakte
Date or month	May, 4 at 20.00
Contact	Townhalls, VVV's
Photos and/or videos	http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=dodenherdenking  <p>pct pct old postcard by pct</p>
Event Title	Liberation day (Dutch: bevrijdingsdag). The day after memorial day is called Liberation day. On the day of the liberation of the Netherlands in 1945, the entire country celebrates its freedom. Traditionally, a large old fashioned military parade is held in the city of Wageningen
Place of event	All over the Netherlands, especial at Wageningen
Date or month	May, 5
Contact	Townhalls, VVV's
Photos and/or videos	http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=bevrijdingsdag+2015+Wageningen  <p>pct</p>
Event Title	National Mills day, the old wind mills are still working and the public can visit the mills looking at the old machinery and tools still working
Place of event	Mills all over the Netherlands
Date or month	May, 9-10 (2016:May.....)
Contact	http://www.molens.nl/site/nationale-molendag/content.php?cid=317&sub=317
Photos and/or videos	

	
Event Title	Grebbeleine day (Dutch: <i>Grebbeliniedag</i>). The Grebbeleine is an historical Dutch defense line. On this day, activities are organized in order to keep the memory of the defense line alive.
Place of event	Grebbelinie, from Rhenen till Amersfoort
Date or month	May, 16 (2016: May)
Contact	http://www.grebbelinie.nl/page/themapad
Photos and/or videos	www.bing.com/images/search?q=Grebbeliniedag+2015 
Event Title	Traditonal year market Scherpenzeel with all kind of old trades and professions like bee keeping, spinning, weaving, wood scarving etc.
Place of event	Scherpenzeel
Date or month	May, 27.....(2016: May...)
Contact	VAV Scherpenzeel or VAV Scherpenzeel www.vav.nl/detail/vvagentschap-scherpenzeel-in-kulturhus-de-breehoek/fa578edd-a05c-4d61-a425-33cde45d1ea1
Photos and/or videos	
Event Title	Haantjesdag, Traditonal year market Scherpenzeel with all kind of old trades and professions like bee keeping, spinning, weaving, wood scarving etc
Place of event	Woudeberg Centre
Date or	June, 8

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Contact	http://www.haantjesdag.nl
Photos and/or videos	http://www.haantjesdag.nl  <p>pct</p>
Event Title	Spakenburger Days. Historical old fisher ships called bidders are sailing and the inhabitants of Spakenbuerg are wearing the traditional clothes of the 19th century.
Place of event	Spakenburg, harbour
Date or month	22 en 29 juli / 5 en 12 augustus 2015
Contact	http://spakenburgse-evenementen.nl/project/spakenburgse-dagen/
Photos and/or videos	http://spakenburgse-evenementen.nl/project/spakenburgse-dagen/  <p>pct</p>
Event Title	Traditional harvest day at the estate of Den Treek. Demonstrations of old fashioned mowing, making hay, harvest etc. with horses and old agricultural machines. Every active participant is dressed in the old traditional costumes. Old Dutch children plays are also practiced.
Place of event	Estate Den Treek. Leusden
Date or month	August, 8
Contact	http://www.paardenwerktuig.nl/index.php/oogsten http://www.np-utrechtseheuvrug.nl/Activiteitenkalender/08-08-2015-Oogstdag
Photos and/or videos	http://www.paardenwerktuig.nl/index.php/oogsten http://www.np-utrechtseheuvrug.nl/Activiteitenkalender/08-08-2015-Oogstdag
Event Title	Castle tour with 45 carriages pulled by horses, driving through the landscape of the Utrechtse Heuvelrug. The coachmen and passengers are dressed as in the old times.
Place of event	Doorn
Date or month	August, 16
Contact	http://www.kastelentochtdoorn.nl/
Photos and/or videos	http://www.kastelentochtdoorn.nl/
Event	Lampegietersoptochten (Dutch, roughly translated as lantern makers' walk). Traditional festival held

Title	in the town/village of Veenendaal and Renswoude. Children make paper lantern and parade with them around town.
Place of event	Veenendaal/Renswoude
Date or month	September, third Monday
Contact	www.vvv.nl/detail/vvv-veenendaal/2a3231b5-c544-4d01-8783-7e47c4dc7c19
Photos and/or videos	www.lampegetersfestival.nl/fotos
Event Title	King's speech (Dutch: Prinsjesdag). The presentation day of the Dutch estimated budget for the coming year by the King which arrives at the Houses of Parliament in the Golden Coach accompanied by traditional dressed guards and military forces, some on horseback
Place of event	The Hague
Date or month	The third Tuesday in September
Contact	Townhall, VVV at the Hague.
Photos and/or videos	www.bing.com/images/search?q=prinsjesdag  nrc
Event Title	Halloween. In a tradition imported from the US, children dress up as ghosts or other creepy figures and ask for candy.
Place of event	Scherpenzeel
Date or month	October, 30
Contact	pct@wxs.nl
Photos and/or videos	 pct  pct
Event Title	St. Martin's day (Dutch: St. Maarten). St. Martin is the patron saint of Utrecht. On this day, kids make paper lanterns and walk around town in a procession. They are asking for sweets by singing Sint Maarten songs like "Sinte Sinte Maarten de koeien hebben staarten etc."
Place of	North of Holland, North of Amsterdam, partly in the provinces Utrecht, Gelderland.

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Date or month	November, 11
Contact	-Local communities and VVV's in North Holland www.amsterdam.nl/algemene_onderdelen/november/sint_maarten/
Photos and/or videos	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St. Martin%27s Day http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=sint+maarten+11+november=IGRE
Event Title	Arrival of Sinterklaas. St. Nicholas (Sinterklaas) arrives from Spain on his steamboat. All the children await him at the quay. The helpers of Sinterklaas are called Piets. When Sinterklaas has arrived, the Piets hand out candy and tangerines to all the kids who have been nice in the year before. According to tradition, kids who did not behave get a bag of salt or a bunch of twigs and are taken back to Spain by the Piets.
Place of event	All towns and villages of the Netherlands
Date or month	November, 15
Contact	Local Communities in the Netherlands, VVV's,
Photos and/or videos	 www.youtube.com/watch?v=QbnSxslLWXU
Event Title	St. Nicholas' fest (Dutch: Sinterklaasavond). On St. Nicholas' birthday all kids get presents. Sinterklaas rides on a white horse over the roofs of the houses and drops the presents in the chimney. Sinterklaas returns to Spain on December 6th.
Place of event	Everywhere in the Netherlands, in families, elderly houses etc. etc.
Date or month	December, 5
Contact	http://www.vvvvallei.nl/ or the local communities in the Netherlands
Photos and/or videos	http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=Sinterklaasavond 

Event Title	Hoornblazen, Traditional Mid-Winter horn blazing in the eastern and middle part of the Netherlands. It is a tradition that goes back to the ancient Germanic tribes.
Place of event	Lunteren and other villages in Gelderland
Date or month	December, 21
Contact	http://the-embassadorion.blogspot.nl/2010/12/als-de-hoornen-geblazen-worden.html
Photos and/or videos	http://the-embassadorion.blogspot.nl/2010/12/als-de-hoornen-geblazen-worden.html
Event Title	X-mas Eve Singing in. Christmas songs for everyone to sing in the regional and local churches
Place of event	At least one church in every town/big village in the Netherlands
Date or month	December, 24
Contact	Local churches in the Netherlands http://www.hervormdscherpenzeel.nl/
Photos and/or videos	 pct
Event Title	New years' eve (Dutch: oudejaarsavond). The end of the year is celebrated with loud bangs from the firework all over the Netherlands. Take care of your eyes and ears as a tourist.
Place of event	Everywhere in the Netherlands
Date or month	December, 31, 24.00 hour
Contact	Local communities and VVV's
Photos and/or videos	http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=vuurpijl+foto  pct