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Cycle route: Round Texel

Cycle around the island

This route is perfect for discovering the best of Texel in one day! Cycle 65 kilometres along special places on the island, from the dike and the harbour of Oudeschild to the dunes, forests and nature reserves. On the way, you will pass through cosy villages where you can take a break and taste the local atmosphere. Whether you start at the lighthouse or one of the villages, this route will show you what makes Texel so special. Don't forget your binoculars for the beautiful birds along the way!

Length: approx. 65 km

Route: Start car park VVV Texel, Emmalaan 66, junction 76 (or any other junction)

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(35) > (64) > (53) > (36) > (37) > (38) > (39) > (42) > (51) > (50)

This route can be started at any junction, so you can adapt your adventure to your own preferences and starting point. For an overview of all junctions, you can buy the Fietsknooppuntenkaart from VVV Texel, a handy guide to your cycling trip that will help you find your way.



Start your cycle tour at junction 76 or 50 in Den Burg, near the VVV office. This is a perfect starting point to explore the 65-km route around Texel. Den Burg is the 'capital' of Texel. About half of the almost 14,000 inhabitants of Texel live there. From Den Burg you cycle to junction 41 first, and then to junction 40.



40 Fort De Schans

At junction 40, you pass Fort De Schans. This fort was built in the 16th century by William of Orange. It was intended to protect Texel from attacks from the sea. Fort De Schans was important for the defence of the ships and the harbour of Oudeschild. Now you can visit the restored fort for free. From the fort you have a beautiful view over the Wadden Sea. This is a nice place to stop and experience Texel's nature and history. You cycle on to junction 25 and then to 01 't Horntje, where you follow a beautiful cycle path surrounded by sheep. The route then goes via junction 06 and junction 08 to junction 09.

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09 Den Hoorn

Here you can take a trip to Den Hoorn for a short coffee break. Den Hoorn is known for its cosy streets, where many artists live. It is also home to Texel's most photographed object: the Reformed church. The white tower can be seen from the ferry. In spring, Den Hoorn is surrounded by colourful bulb fields, making the village extra beautiful. After your exploration, enjoy a cup of coffee at Novalishoeve or sit down at one of the beach pavilions, Paal 9 or Paal 12.



11 De Bollekamer

Continue your trek to junction 10 and then to 11, passing De Bollekamer. De Bollekamer is a beautiful dune area. Black Angus cows roam freely in this area. In summer, the heather blooms and everything turns a beautiful purple. It is also a good place to see birds and other animals. There are several footpaths where you can walk through nature. A perfect place to stop and experience the peace and nature of Texel.

Continue cycling to junction 05 and then to junction 15. From here, cycle through the De Dennen forest via junctions 17, 18, 19 and 20.

20 De Koog

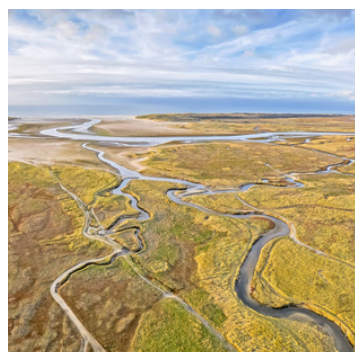
At junction 20, you can stop for a delicious lunch in De Koog. Here you can enjoy a cosy atmosphere and beautiful beaches. You will find many nice restaurants, cafés and shops, perfect for a nice lunch or refreshing drink. After lunch, continue cycling to junctions 21 and 22 and ride back into the Dunes of Texel National Park.





i Duinen van Texel National Park

This nature reserve along the west side of the island has vast dunes and unusual plants and animals. With a bit of luck, you will even see seals on the coast. As you cycle, you can enjoy the silence and fresh air of the sea.



27 De Slufter

Continue your route to junction 27, where you can explore De Slufter nature reserve. De Slufter is part of the National Park Dunes of Texel and is known for its rugged, untouched nature. Sea and land meet in De Slufter, with a varied landscape of sand flats, mud flats and salt marshes. Due to the influence of the sea water, special plants and animals grow here. It is a beautiful place to walk and experience the peaceful nature.

31 Vuurtoren

From De Slufter, cycle to junction 28 and junction 29, where you follow a beautiful cycle path with hills. You then reach junction 31, near Texel's famous lighthouse. Climb the 118 steps of the lighthouse and then relax on the beach. Here you can enjoy the beautiful view over the North Sea before continuing your way beyond the dyke to junctions 32 and 34.

34 Utopia & De Schorren

Just before junction 34, you pass De Schorren and Utopia, a paradise for birdwatchers. Spoonbills, eider ducks and great terns breed here, among others. Whether you like birds a lot or just want to experience nature, these are fine places to relax. Don't forget to bring your binoculars!

53 Oosterend

From junction 34, cycle on to junction 35 and junction 64, towards junction 53. Here you can take a trip to Oosterend. Walk through the picturesque streets and alleys with beautiful old facades. After your visit to Oosterend, cycle on to junction 36, also known as the IJzeren Kaap, a landmark in the east of the island.





38 Oudeschild

From junction 36, the route goes to junction 37, then to junction 38, and on to junction 39. Here you can sample some tasty fish in Oudeschild, a perfect place for a snack. Oudeschild was always home to a sizeable Texel fishing fleet. Nowadays, you can still see some cutters moored in the harbour. After this break, continue your route to junction 42, and then return to Den Burg via junction 51 and junction 50.

50 Den Burg

In Den Burg, you will find nice shops, cosy terraces, good restaurants, as well as historical buildings and museums. Den Burg is the perfect place to end your cycling trip with a delicious dinner or a drink on one of the cosy terraces.



This route lets you enjoy Texel's beautiful nature, cosy villages and lively harbour. It is the perfect way to discover the whole island in one day.

Want to know more about what you saw along the way? Then take a look at [texel.net](https://www.texel.net)