Hill & Mountain Walking Club

Easter Meet 2025: 11th to 18th April

(The week before Easter)

Mer du Nord, Breskens, Dutch Flanders, The Netherlands

The venue 'Mer du Nord' is situated on the edge of the village of Breskens in Zeeuws-Vlaanderen (Dutch Flanders) province of Zeeland. There was a club meet in Zeeland in 2016 near Burgh-Haamstede on the former island of Schouwen-Duiveland. Dutch Flanders is certainly different, as it is close to the Belgian border!

Mer du Nord has 10 twin rooms and one room with 3 beds. Information and pictures of the house can be found at: https://merdunord.nl

Transport:

Between Vlissingen and Breskens there is a ferry over the Westerschelde (Western Scheldt), which is only for bicycles and pedestrians. The terminal of this ferry is in walking distance from the house, 'Mer du Nord'. The terminal in Vlissingen is near the railway station. The last ferry from Vlissingen to Breskens on weekdays is at 21.48 hrs. This information might be useful when planning the flight to Schiphol Airport. The ferry timetable can be found on: https://westerscheldeferry.nl/dienstregeling

The nearest (official) bus stop in the village to the house is approximately 1.4 kms away. By bus it is possible to travel to several villages and towns in Dutch Flanders, as well as to Bruges with a direct bus service. In front of the house is also a bus stop, but only for a small local bus.

A tunnel under the Westerschelde is provided for cars, etc. This tunnel is situated just west of Terneuzen.

From Schiphol Airport and Amsterdam Central Railway Station there are direct trains to Vlissingen. The journey takes about 2,5 to 3 hours; from IJmuiden travel is by coach to Amsterdam Central Railway Station and then by train to Vlissingen. From Rotterdam / Europoort travel is by coach to Rotterdam Central Railway Station and then to Vlissingen; from the Hook of Holland travel is by tram to Rotterdam Central Railway Station and then by train to Vlissingen.

Another option is to book a flight to Brussels / Zaventem, then by train to Bruges and from there by bus to Breskens.

Financial aspects:

The costs for accommodation will be **approx.** € 290, which is just under GBP 250. For energy costs a deposit is included. At the end of the stay the real costs will be known. Bed linen and towels are included. During the meet extra costs will be incured for meals and for transport. It is also likely that at least one minibus will be required to be hired.

A deposit has already been paid to secure the venue. Please complete the booking form and confirm the booking by paying **a deposit of € 100**, preferably by PayPal.

Travel insurance:

It is very much recommended that you have appropriate travel insurance to cover your costs in the event of having to cancel your booking; refunds can only be given if your place can be filled by another person. Also deposits are only refundable if another person takes your place.

If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact Suus at info@hmwc.org.uk

BOOKING FORM

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Name:	1.
Full address:	
Date of Birth:	
Passport details - Number, Issued and Expiry Dates:	
Insurance Details - including 24 hour emergency tel. number:	
Name:	2.
Full address:	
Date of Birth:	
Passport details - Number, Issued and Expiry Dates,	
Insurance Details - including 24 hour emergency tel. number:	
Email address(es):	1. 2.
Mobile Number(s):	1.
	2.
Details of next of kin, in case of an emergency	1. 2.
Any dietary requirements?	
Any other details, that are important to mention, such as allergies, etc.?	

NB: Please contact info@hmwc.org.uk if you require a writeable copy of the booking form in 'Word' Format