



Architectural tour  
to the Netherlands

Engels Baksteen

# About us

Engels Baksteen is a manufacturer of the highest quality hand-formed facing bricks from the Netherlands. The variety of Engels Baksteen bricks enables architects, designers and customers to realise any idea, conduct the most daring experiments and create real masterpieces of brick architecture.

Engels Baksteen is a large company, which has a serious production capacity of up to 140 million units per year.

The history of the company dates back to 1913 as a family enterprise. Since its foundation the company has been owned by the Engels family. Today the company is run by the fifth generation of the family.

# The best examples of modern architecture

Engels, together with its partners, organizes unique architectural tours of cities in the Netherlands. With us, you will experience the best examples of modern architecture created in the 21st century, learn the names of the most sought-after and talented modern architects, see examples of traditional brick buildings and bold experiments.

Brick architecture in the Netherlands has a long history and rich tradition. Despite the variety of modern materials, brick is still popular in the Netherlands and architects use it not only in traditional projects, but also in experimental ones.

The creations of major Dutch architectural bureaus, such as SEARCH, MVRDV, KAAO architecten, OMA, MECANOO, DiederendDirix, BLOC, have changed the face of dozens of cities and modern architecture in general.

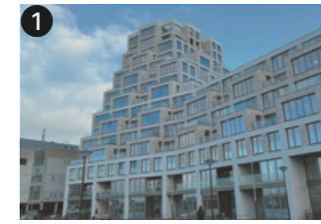
The projects of these firms regularly inspire artists, urban planners and designers from all over the world to create architecture of the future: unconventional, controversial, and attention-grabbing.

Contemporary architecture in the Netherlands is characterized by its variety of forms, practicality, ecological orientation and originality: cube houses, floating quarters and villas on water, flats hanging in the air, boat buildings and wave buildings... In our tour you will learn about the latest global trends in contemporary architecture and see the projects on which Dutch top architects are currently working.



# 3 DAYS TOUR

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Croquis quarter



Sluisbuurt quarter



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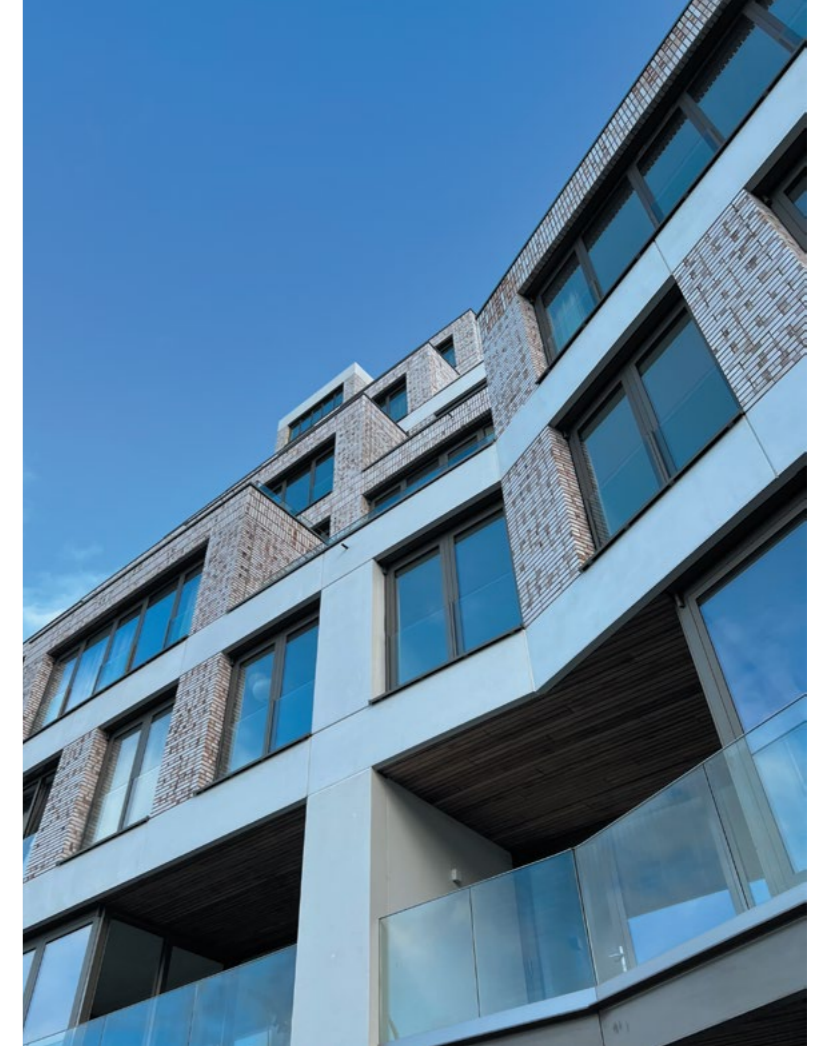
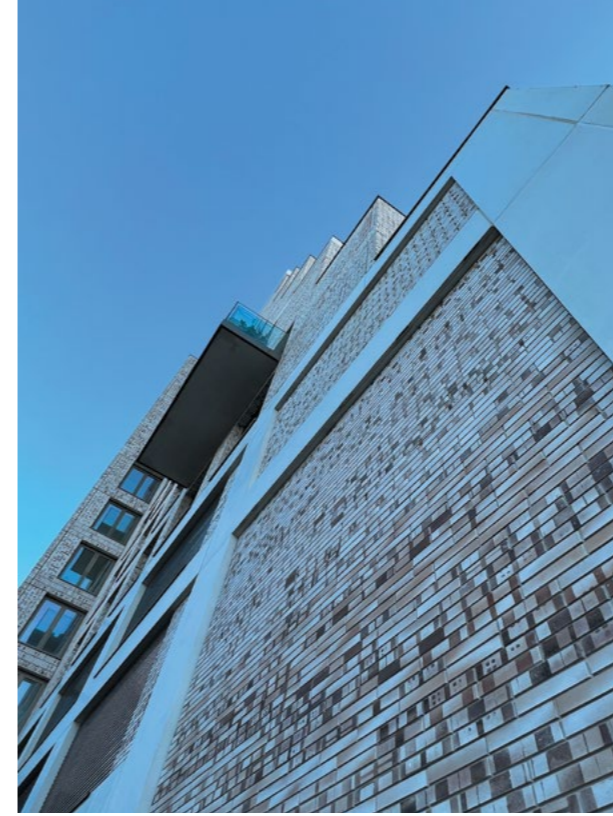
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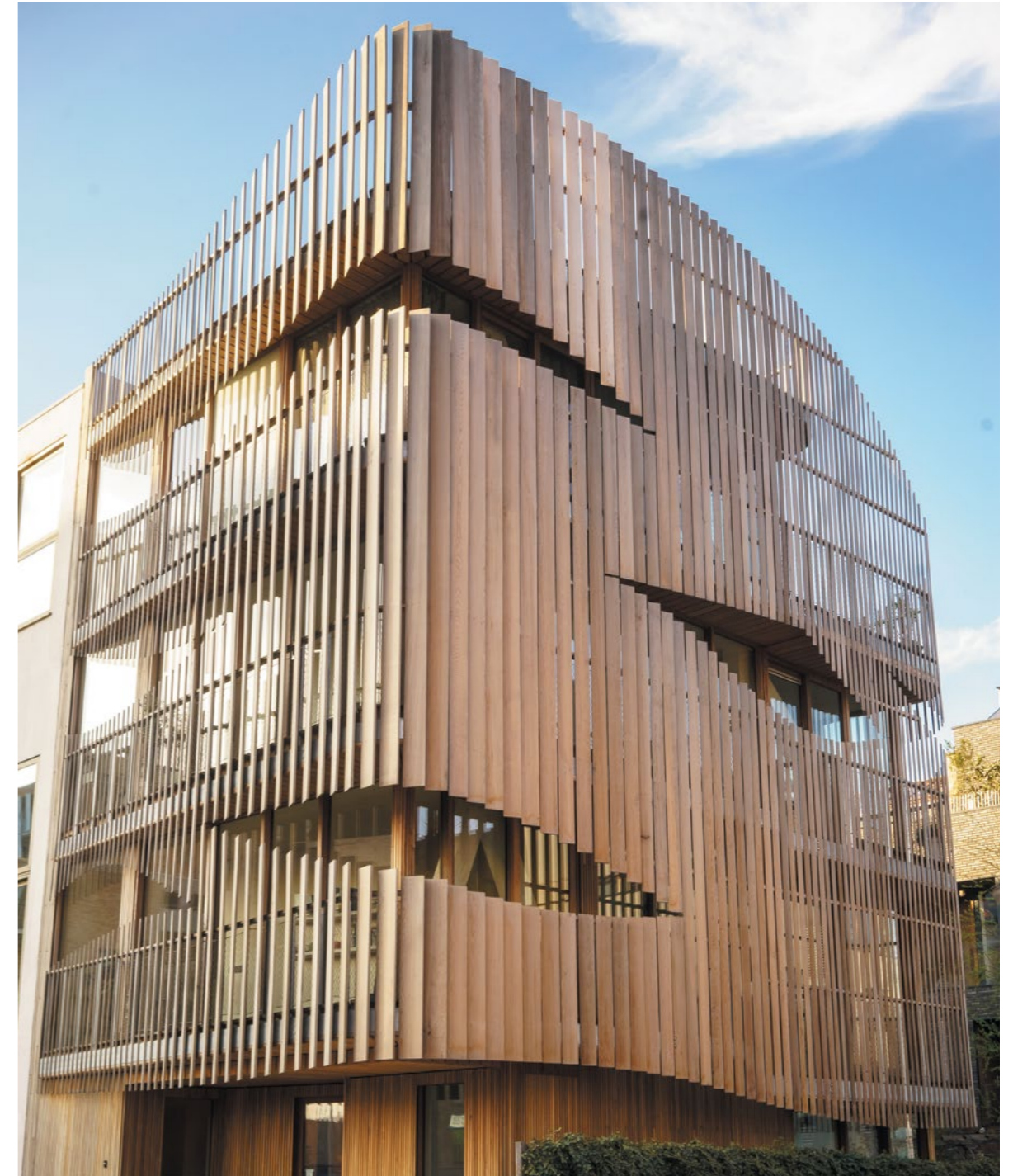
### 1 Cruquis quarter





## 2 Sluisbuurt quarter

The Sluisbuurt quarter is an example of construction on land reclamation and consists of low, medium and high-rise buildings.



Here, cutting-edge ideas and modern technology in façade solutions, landscaping and landscaping are skilfully applied.



### 3 IJburg quarter

IJburg is another example of the creation of a comfortable urban environment on man-made islands on Lake Eijmer. Because of the housing shortage in Amsterdam, floating houses on the water have been built here, moored at the piers like boats.







## 5 Zuidas quarter

Zuidas is the financial district of the Dutch capital, where international business, exclusive restaurants and shops set the tone. This is where Amsterdam's World Trade Centre Amsterdam and the offices of major international corporations are located.

Zuidas has been most influenced by the business districts of La Défense in Paris and Canary Wharf in London.

6 Distelweg quarter





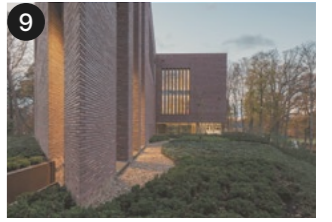
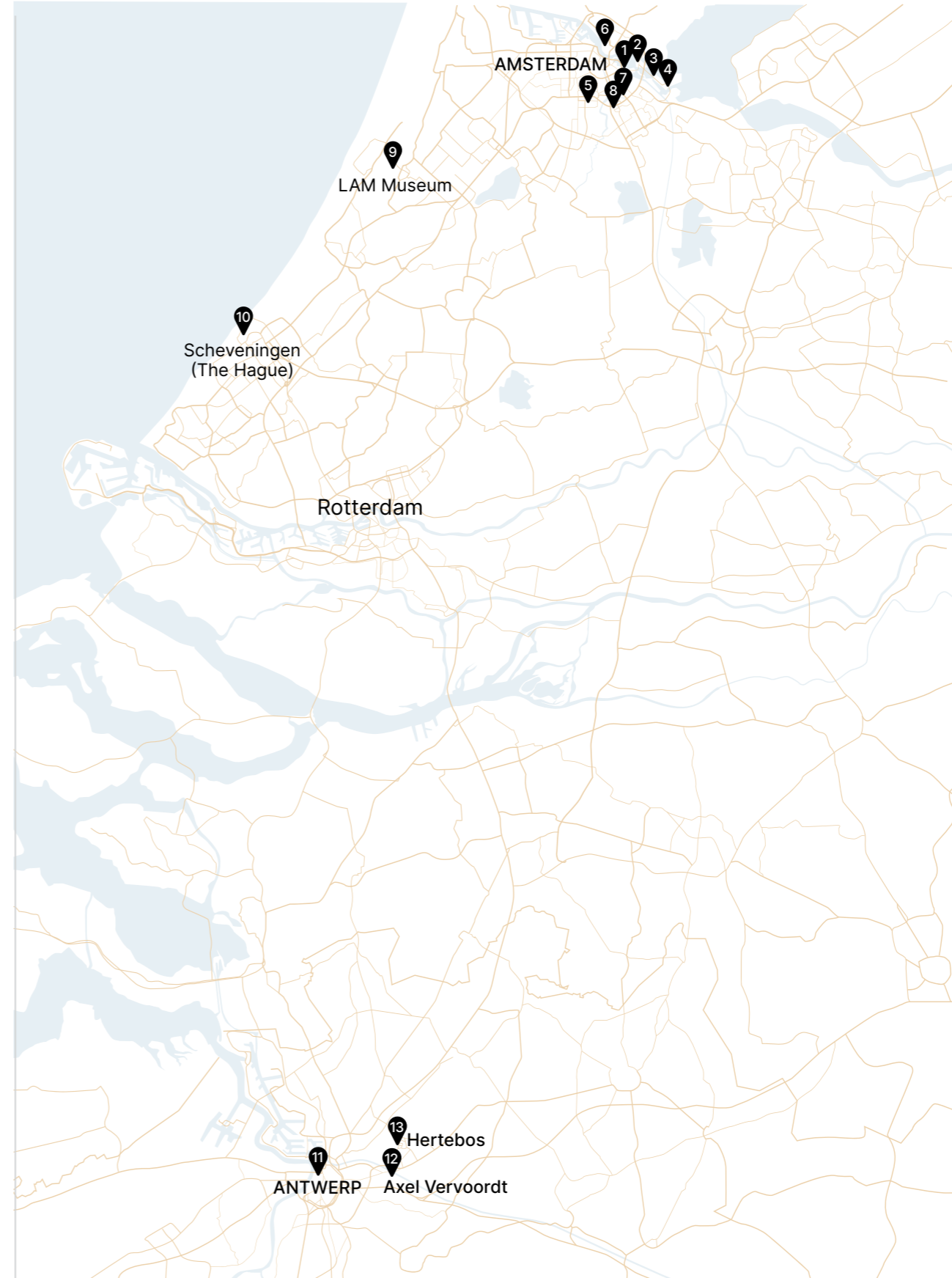
## 8 Amstelkwartier quarter



A former industrial area, slowly but steadily transforming into a new residential and working-class neighbourhood. The iconic buildings in the area are the monumental buildings of the former Zuidergasfabriek factory, which are being converted into residential buildings. In the coming years thousands of houses with schools and restaurants will be built in the area. In 2021, the tallest wooden skyscraper, HAUT, was completed here, designed by the Dutch architecture studio Team V Architectuur.

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LAM Museum



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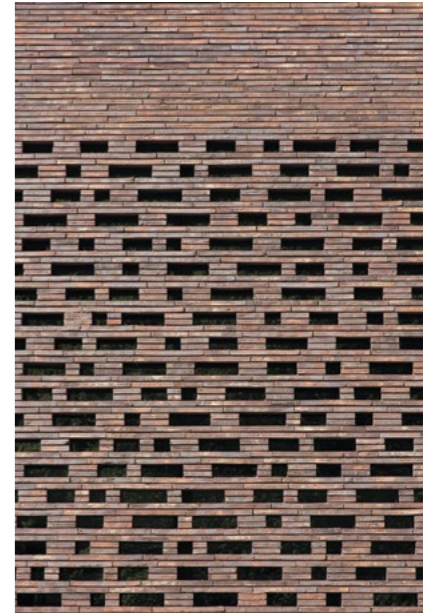
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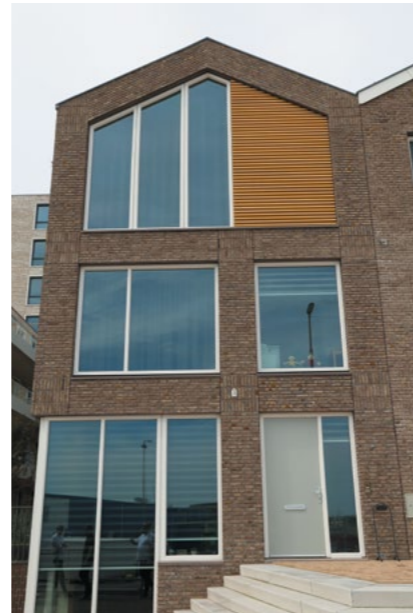
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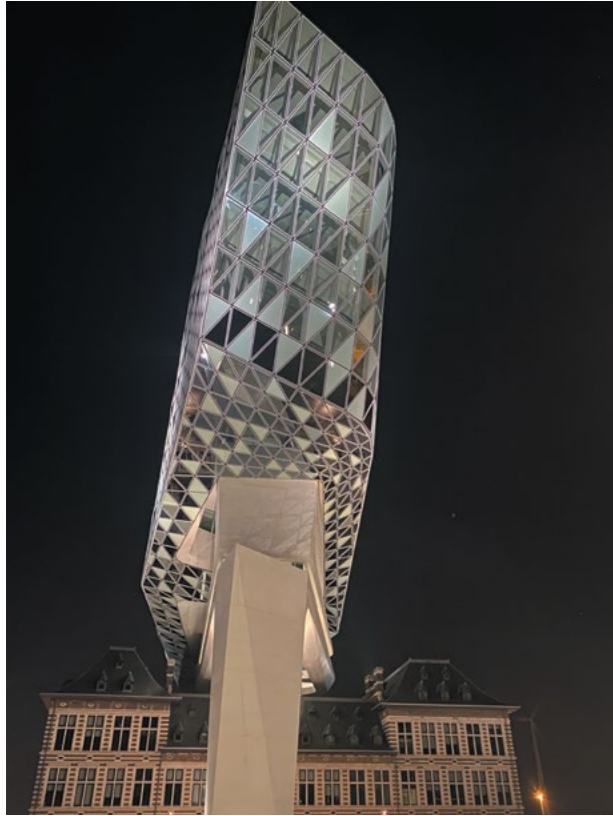
The Lisser Art Museum (LAM) is an innovative museum that will make you see familiar things in a new way. A special challenge for the architects was to blend the museum into its natural surroundings. This is why the concrete columns supporting the upper building are covered in bark, and the shades of the brick façades harmonise perfectly with the colours of the surrounding nature.





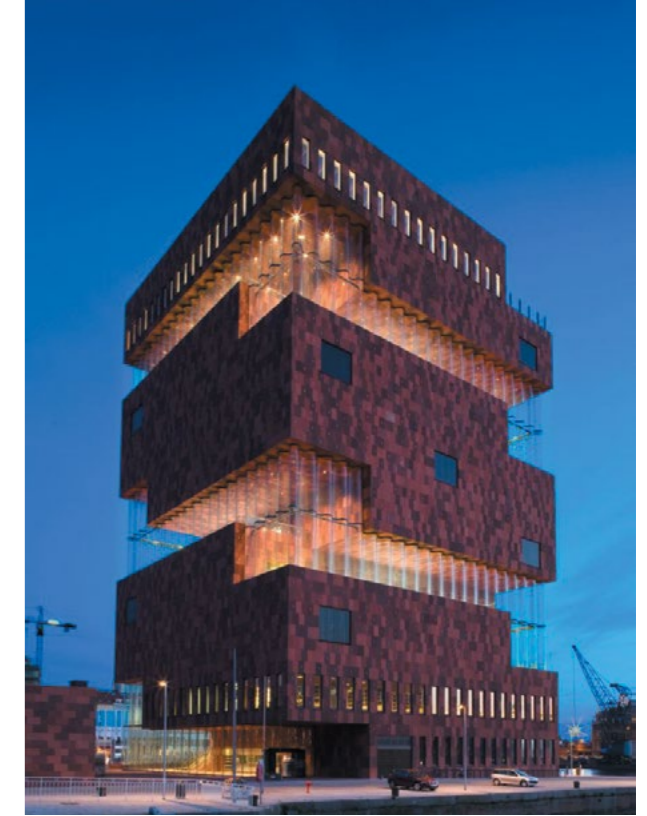
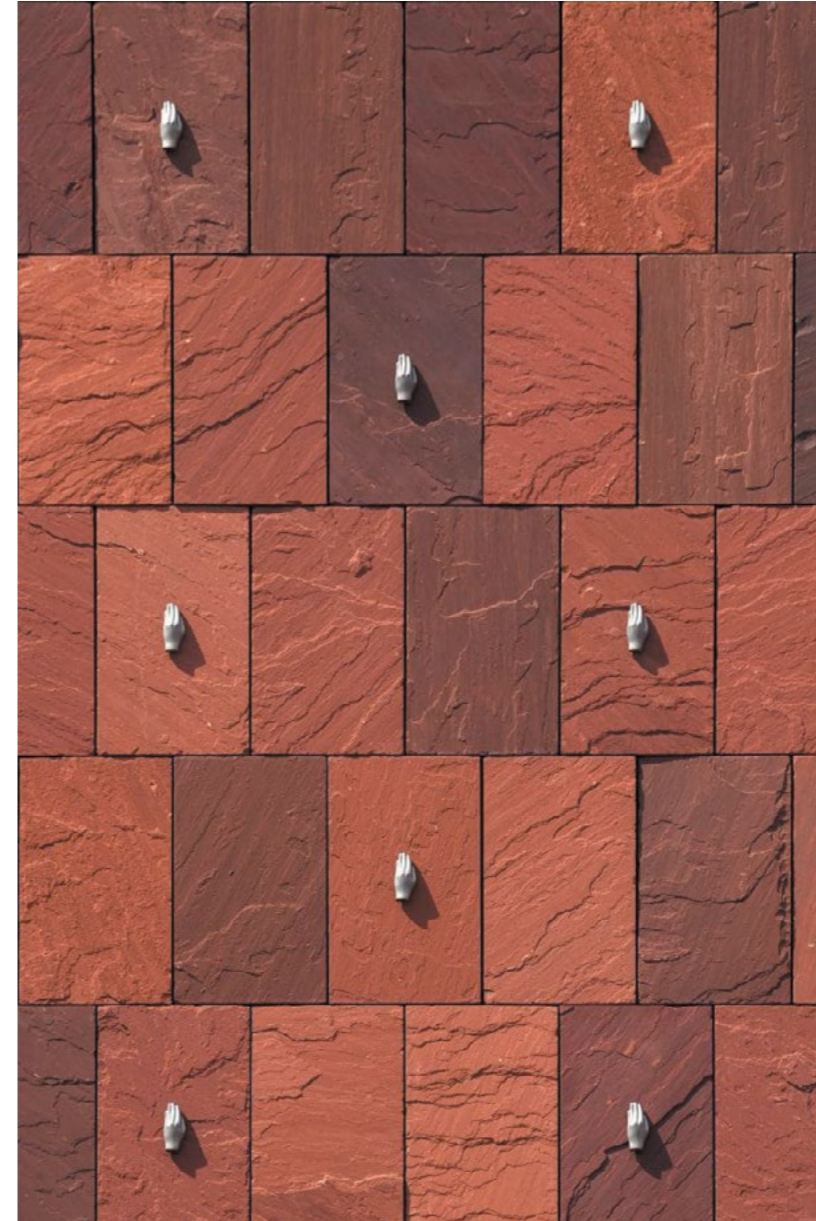
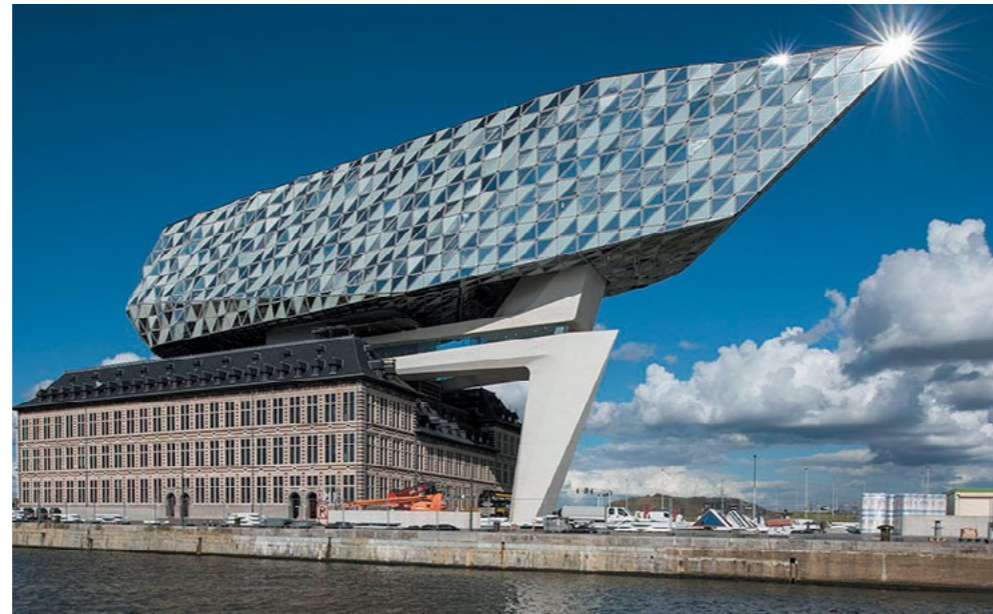
## 10 Scheveningen (The Hague) quarter

An interesting project in the seaside resort area of Scheveningen in The Hague. All the façades are made from a mix of different Engels Baksteen brick collections. The architect's main idea in realising the façades was the seamless transition in colour from one collection to the next.

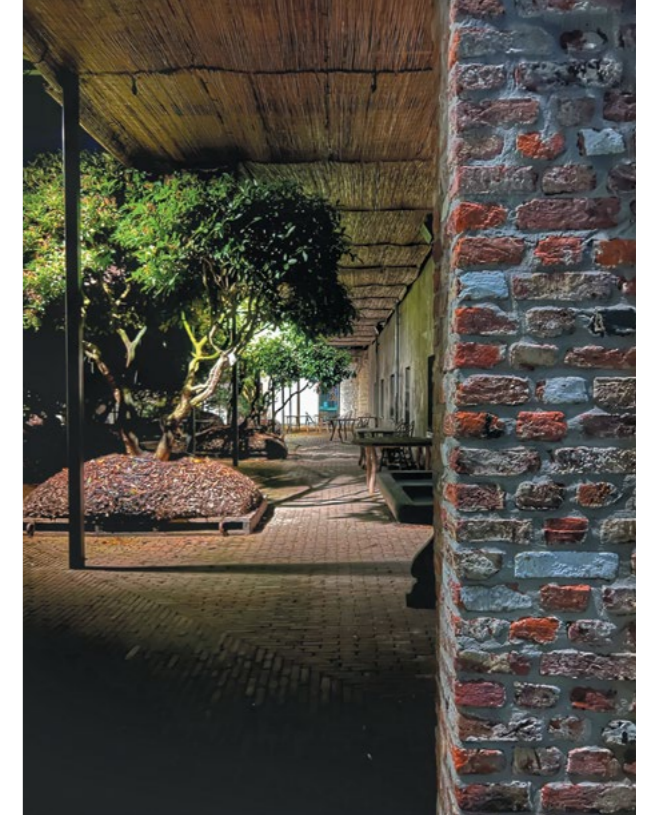
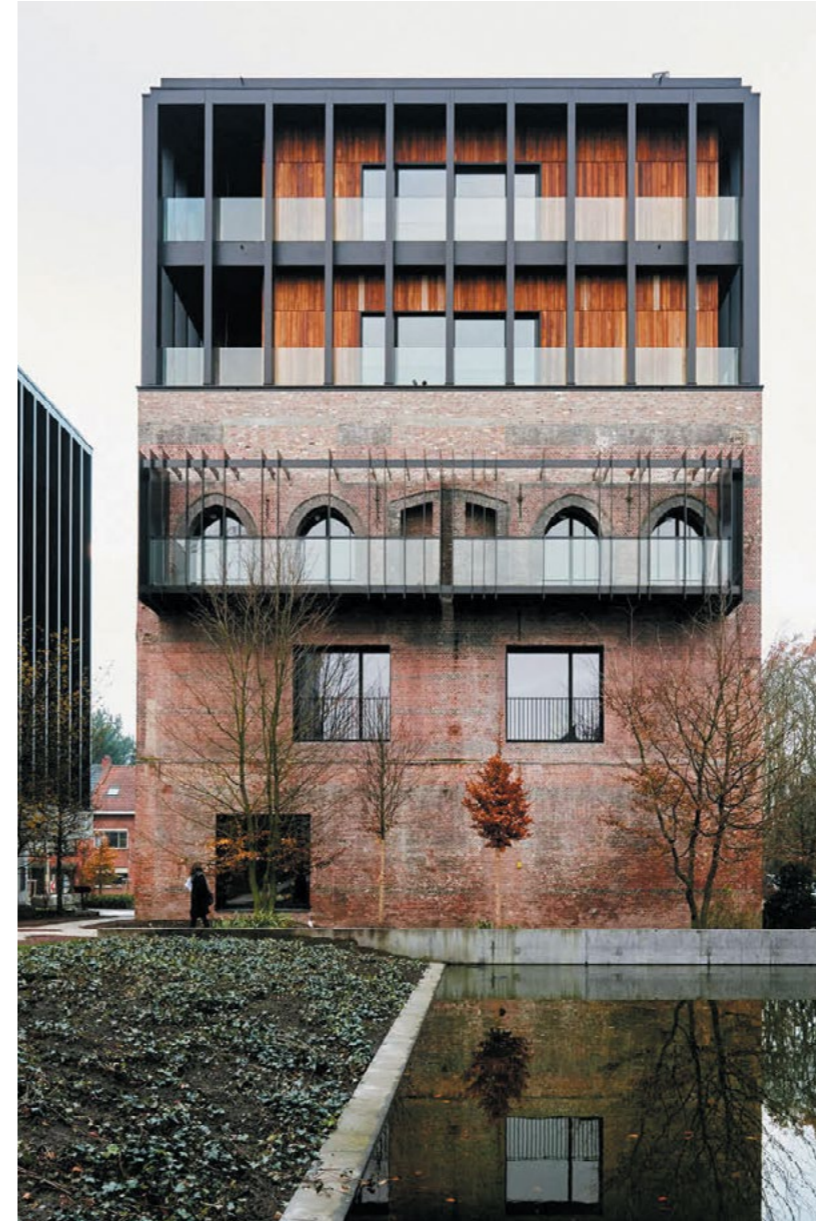


**11** Antwerp's iconic architectural masterpieces

Antwerp is a city of medieval buildings and stylish modern buildings, such as the impressive tower of the Gothic Notre Dame Cathedral, the MAS Museum, the Zaha Hadid-designed Antwerp port authority building and numerous Art Nouveau gemstone houses.







## 12 Axel Vervoordt gallery

Gallery of Axel Vervoordt, collector, antiques dealer and interior decorator. His portfolio of major and best-known works includes the homes of rock stars and royalty, as well as Robert De Niro's penthouse.

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## Day 5

Departure from Düsseldorf



## 14 Hotel Rubens - Grote Markt

The hotel is less than a 1-minute walk from Antwerp's Notre Dame Cathedral and the lively market square with bars and restaurants. This hotel has high marks for very comfortable beds. It is probably the best place to relax after a busy architectural tour.





## 16 Engels Baksteen factory

The Helden plant underwent a complete modernization in 2019. It is currently Europe's most modern plant for the production of hand-formed bricks. The production capacity of the plant is 70 million hand-formed bricks per year. The factory produces full-bodied hand-molded bricks in unique color solutions with high technical indicators.



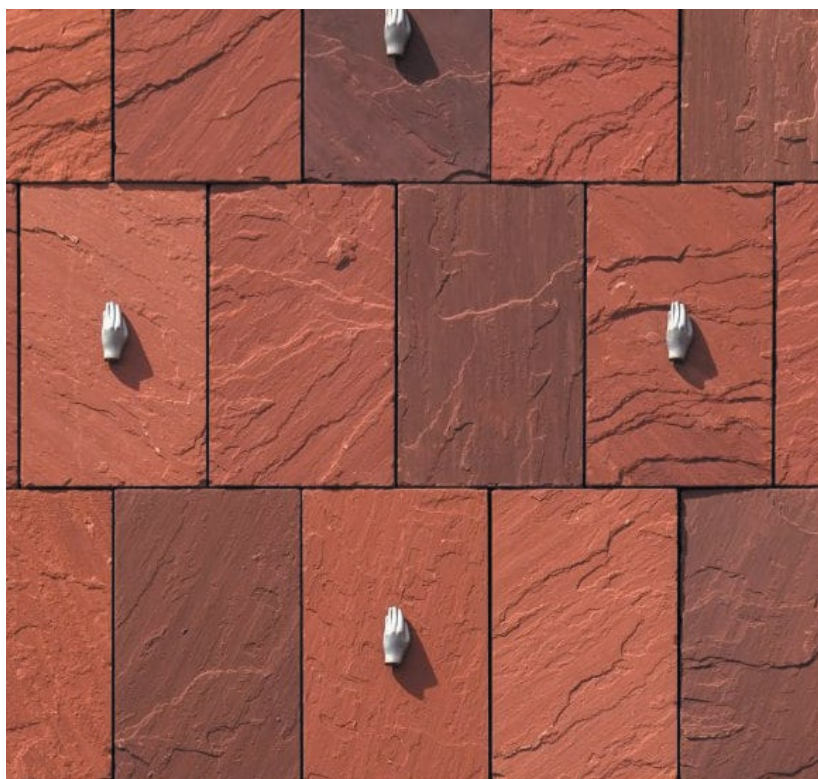


## 17 Van der Valk Hotel Het Arresthuis

Hotel Het Arresthuis is located in a former prison building in the historic center of Roermond. It's hard to believe that a gloomy and gray prison can turn into a luxury hotel. Modern interiors have been created here, the rooms are furnished with chic furniture and equipped with everything necessary for relaxation.



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