

Walk through the Amsterdam Water Supply Dunes (Amsterdamse Waterleidingduinen)

Distance; 16 km

During this hike you get to experience all beauty of nature.

First you walk through authentic Zandvoort streets with characteristic houses. Then you will take a beautiful, very varied walk through the beautiful and quiet part of the Amsterdam Water Supply Dunes (Amsterdamse Waterleidingduinen). Beautiful open dune areas and quiet forests. On quiet days there is a good chance that you will come across deer, fallow deer and foxes. On the way back you walk along the sea over the beach.

Start and finish: Station Zandvoort

Background information:

At the entrance of the water supply dunes you have to buy a ticket. On the way back you will pass a nude beach.



With the train to Zandvoort

From Amsterdam Central Station and Amsterdam Sloterdijk a direct train leaves every half hour to Zandvoort.

Travel time from Amsterdam Central Station: 30 minutes Travel time from Amsterdam Sloterdijk: 25 minutes



From Zandvoort train station to the dune area

At the end of the platform, when you are standing in front of the station, turn left up the stairs. At the top, turn left and follow the right turn.

At the end, turn left (Zeestraat-Kostverlorenstraat).

Follow this road until the crossroad at house no. 76 (on the right side) and turn right (also Kostverlorenstraat).

Just after house no. 111, turn left at the bus shelter (van Uffordlaan), and turn right. At the end, turn left at the ANWB signpost; follow the brick footpath.

After approx. 200m turn right at the street light and continue straight on at the intersection. At the end turn left, follow the sidewalk on the left side of the busy road. After 500m turn right at the roundabout and walk to the entrance gate of the dune are(.

Buy an entrance ticket at the ticket machine or at restaurant 'de Duinrand' and go straight on after the gate.

Cross the bridge and follow the right turn. Then continue to follow the road.

After 500m you will see a bench on your right and on your left a large dune lake (with a cormorant colony), follow the left turn.



From a dune lake to a war monument

On the right you see a watercourse with a weir and a little further on the left side you will see the dune lake again.

After the lake, turn to the left and follow the path along the edge of the forest.

The edge of the forest ends after 500 meters. Turn left at the first grassy dirt road with a post with the orange square.

After the hill, follow the right bend (follow the posts with the orange square). At the end of the road turn right (on the left side you will see a bench).

At the intersection at the war monument turn left. From here follow the forest road until you come across a meeting of 4 paths for a deep watercourse.



From a dirt road to a brick house

Turn right at the forest road. At the end of the road, turn right and then immediately left. This path goes a long way through the open dune area.

After some right bends turn on the 1st grassy path left. On your left you will see the large dune area where you just walked past.

After 300m go left on the 1st grassy path (be careful not to walk past this difficult to recognize path).

After 50m you will see on your right a dune with a high well pipe 24H425 and after another 50m you will see a low well pipe 24H480.

Walk all the way out of this grassy path (along the way you will see well pipe 24H478+9).

At the end, turn left before the canal. After a left turn you turn right and walk across the canal via the weir, after the weir you turn diagonally right. Walk along the wide dirt road.

At the end, after the brick house, turn left.



From the dune area to the beach

At the crossing of cobblestone roads, turn right and after 10m turn left over a narrow path along a shelter. You walk to the canal behind it. Turn right before the canal.

Walk all the way along the canal, on the way you go over or along a side arm of the canal.

At the end of the cobblestone road turn right, and shortly after that turn left at the Tjunction.

Cross the canal after the dam and walk straight on; a dirt road with a shelter on the left.

At the end of this path you leave the dune area via a fence. Cross the cycle path, walk straight on and walk via the dune to the beach and then turn right (no swimsuit? Don't worry, this is a nudist beach).

Once you get back to the centre of Zandvoort, you will see in your walking direction: a lighthouse, a low apartment building, a higher apartment building and at last a high building. At that point you leave the beach. Walk to the corner of that building (Palace Hotel). From there, follow the boulevard to the left, go down the stairs and turn right. Immediately after the right turn, cross the road on your left and go straight down the stairs back to the train station.