Greetings! (Groetjes!) We extend our warmest welkom to you and we certainly appreciate your decision to visit us today. We are focused on making this an amazing experience for you and your family, and we think you will find our staff to be the friendliest people around!

As you decide where to go, please keep in mind the times of the scheduled demonstrations are posted near each demonstration. However, the best way to decide what to do next is to talk with our employees and ask them to help you decide and how to get there.

Listed below are descriptions of a number of interesting items that aren’t numbered. Please be sure to check them out as well!

**CARILLON BELL CONCERT**

Our 25-bell carillon was imported from Royal Eijsbouts in Asten, Netherlands in 1991. Carillons can be found atop landmarks and churches throughout all of Europe. Ours plays a song on the hour and half hour.

**PROVINCIAL FLAGS**

The 12 flags you see flanking the walk to the carillon bell tower entrance are the flags of the provinces of the Netherlands. The provinces are the political equivalent of our counties. Always at war with the sea, the Dutch completed the reclamation of 12th province, Flevoland, in 1986. A second set of these flags is across from the Frisian farmhouse and barn.

**UP ON THE ROOFTOPS**

There are several different roof styles depicted throughout our village. These include the cedar shake roof seen on the carillon bell tower, the thatched roof made from reed on the Queen’s Inn dining room, and the clay tiles (dakpannen) seen on the farmhouse and gift shops. There is a display of different types of these clay tiles in the barn.

**WAGONS & CARTS**

All the wagons and carts you see here had specific uses, and were powered by horses, goats, dogs and bicycles. Wagons were used for mail, transporting people and products, and hauling manure (can you guess which one?) Carts were more manageable on the narrow streets and used by vendors selling fish, bread, flowers and other perishable goods.

**WINDMILLS**

Windmills were a common sight throughout the Dutch countryside. They were fashioned in many different styles, and each style served a distinct purpose such as sawing wood, grinding grain or draining land. Our mill, located along the rose garden, is a polder mill (poldermolen). Polder mills were used to drain land. Much of the Netherlands is below sea level, so windmills (especially polder mills like ours) played an integral role in keeping the land dry and habitable.

**STATUARY**

The statues seen in vignettes throughout the village were modeled from some of our own villagers and handcrafted in cement by local artist Joyce Sweers. Cheese vendors transport their products to the weigh house before going to market. The baker transports his fresh products to the farmer’s wife by bicycle (bakfiets). When the fleet comes in from the sea with a fresh catch of fish, herring (haring) are eaten raw right at dockside. The fisherman also acts as his own netmender, making net repairs as needed. Notice the long points on his wooden shoes (klompen), which serve as a third hand to assist the process. The little boy with his finger in the dike and the priest represent the fairy tale of the little boy who saved Holland from flooding by plugging a leak in the dike.

Thanks so much for visiting us today! (Dank je wel!)
1. Carillion Bell Music - on the hour & Westminster Chimes
11. The Hardewyk Chapel & Wedding Wagon
16. Cheese Tasting
28. Station Noordhuizen and De Tiet – Amsterdam Street Organ
29. Nelis Tulip Farm Exhibit

4. Child Workshop - Costumes, Games, Coloring & Storytime
13. Dutch Dance Lessons (after dance performances)
14. Giant Wooden Shoe Slide
17. De Delfts Blauw Play Land (coming June 2013)
20. Live Farm Animals and “Take a Goat for a Walk”
23. Zweefmolen - Dutch Chair Swing Ride
24. Draaimolen - 1924 Herschell-Spillman Carousel
25. Petal Pumpers Cars - Self-propelled Train Car Ride

5. Delftware Making & History of Delft Blue Pottery
6. Wooden Shoe Carver – demonstrations by hand and machine
7. Bioscoop – Movie Theater 20 min. movies about the Netherlands
13. Dutch Dancing and De Gouden Engel - Amsterdam Street Organ
15. Old Dutch Farmhouse Cheese Making
19. Frisian Farmhouse and Barn
26. Koleman Museum – Antique, Costumes and Family Histories
27. Waaggebouw - Replica of a weighhouse from Oudewater

1. Lost & Found
2. North Restrooms
15. First Aid
22. South Restrooms

8. Waterrad – Water Wheel & Dutch Village Royalty
10. Poldermolen – Windmill for pumping water
12. The Giant Stork
13. Photos with Dutch Dancers (after dance performances)
18. “Having a Cheesy Good Time”

16. Kaas Huis Café
33. De Snoep Winkel Candy Shop
34. the Hungry Dutchman Café
35. the Thirsty Dutchman Pub
38. De Zoete Haan - Dutch Fudge and Granite Stone Handcrafted Ice Cream

3. Tulip Bulb Ordering (moves to Building 32 in June)
30. Holland House Candles - hand carved while you watch
31. Handpainted Delftware, Christmas, T-Shirts and Cuckoo Clocks
32. Wooden Shoes, Dutch Costumes, Wood Bowls and Souvenirs
36. Dutch Foods, Dutch Cheese and Chocolates
37. Toys, Saltwater Taffy and Dutch Licorice
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