

Transportation

Rotterdam can be reached easily from Schiphol Amsterdam Airport, Rotterdam—The Hague Airport and by train. We'll outline all options below:

Rotterdam-The Hague Airport → Rotterdam Central Station

Public Transport

If you travel by public transport, you will need the 'OV-chipkaart' (public transport chip card), which can be purchased at places like AKO (newsagent at the airport) or at supermarkets. You can reach the city centre of Rotterdam and Rotterdam Central Station by metro or bus. You can find more information about these two options below, but you can also plan the trip yourself through the 9292 website or app (<http://9292.nl/en#>).

Metro

The RandstadRail (metroline E) provides speedy and easy access from Rotterdam Airport to Rotterdam Central Station. In order to reach the metro station, you need to take the Airport Shuttle (Busline 50). Your journey to the RandstadRail Metro Station (Meijersplein) with the Airport Shuttle (Busline 50) takes about 10 minutes. Your journey from that metro station to Rotterdam Central Station will take another 10 minutes.

Bus

The city centre of Rotterdam and Rotterdam Central Station can also be reached by taking RET bus 33. The bus stop can be found next to the terminal building. The journey takes about 5 minutes.

Taxi

Taxis are available directly outside the terminal building. A ride from Rotterdam-The Hague Airport to Rotterdam Central Station costs ± €20 (for one person).

Schiphol Amsterdam Airport → Rotterdam Central Station

Public transport

From Schiphol Amsterdam Airport, you can take a train at the airport that gets you directly to Rotterdam.

There are yellow ticket machines for trains in the baggage collection hall. After going through Customs, just follow the signs to the Schiphol train station. There are also yellow ticket machines at the station.

Trains to Rotterdam CS (Central Station) leave every 15 or 30 minutes (or every hour during the night), depending on the time and the day. The train journey takes \pm 54 minutes and a ticket costs \pm €12.

You can also take the 'Intercity Direct' to Rotterdam Central Station. You will have to pay an extra 'toeslag' (fee/addition) of € 2,30. This train is faster than a regular train: it will take only \pm 27 minutes.

Timetables can be found on the Dutch Rail (NS) website <http://www.ns.nl/en/travellers/home> and on the 9292 website <http://9292.nl/en#>

Taxi

Of course, you can also take a taxi, but: taxis are expensive in the Netherlands. A ride from Schiphol Airport to Rotterdam costs \pm €58 (for one person).

Rotterdam City Centre → Erasmus University Rotterdam

The easiest way to get to the Erasmus University Rotterdam (EUR) is by bike or by public transport – or a taxi when you have the money.

Public transport

If you want to travel by public transport, you will need the ‘OV-Chipkaart’ (public transport chip card), which can be purchased at:

- Sales devices in stations
- Various newsagents (such as Primera and AKO)
- Various supermarkets
- Some Bruna shops
- A public transport company’s counter

You can find service points with the following link: <https://www.ov-chipkaart.nl/customer-service/service-points-finder.htm>

More information about the OV-Chipkaart can be found on the website: <https://www.ov-chipkaart.nl/home-1.htm>

Tram

There are several trams you can take to get to the EUR. The last and one before last station of **tram 7** (direction **Woudestein**) is the Erasmus University Rotterdam and it stops in front of the campus – the penultimate stop is the closest to the lecture-rooms where the common session takes place. You can also take **tram 21** and **24** (direction **De Esch**). Tram 21 and 24 are faster than tram 7, but these trams do not stop right in front of the campus: than you have to get off at **Woudestein** or **Oude Plantage** and walk for ± five minutes to the campus.

Metro

The metro is the fastest way to travel, especially in the city centre. With your OV-Chipkaart you can go everywhere. The closest metro station to the Erasmus University Rotterdam is **Kralingse Zoom** (lines A, B and C; if you are coming from the city centre, you have to take **direction Binnenhof, Nesselande or De Terp**). Then you have to walk for ± ten minutes to get to the campus.



Going by bike?

If you are staying for a few days, it may be easy to rent a bike. It is particularly handy if you go out late and public transport no longer runs.

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For €8 a day you can rent a bike. You can also rent a bike for a week (€40). You can get a bike next to Rotterdam Central Station, or on the campus

Rotterdam Central Station:

Stationsplein 298

Erasmus University Rotterdam campus:

H-building (Tinbergen building), room HT-46 (ground floor)

Website: <http://www.czwaan.nl/verhuur/verhuurindex.htm>

Phone number: +31 (0)10 – 412 62 20

Taxi

The number of the Rotterdamse Taxi Centrale is +31 (0)10 – 462 60 60

Websites you may want to check:

- Train: <http://www.ns.nl/en/travellers/home>
- Metro, trams and bus: <http://www.ret.nl/en/nc/homepage.html>
- Planning public transport: <http://9292.nl/en#>
- Car rental: <https://www.europacar.com/location/netherlands/rotterdam>
- Bike rental: <http://www.czwaan.nl/verhuur/verhuurindex.htm>
- Airport taxi: <http://www.rtcnv.nl/boek-airport-taxi>
- Erasmus University Rotterdam: <http://www.eur.nl/english/>
- City of Rotterdam:
 - o <http://www.cityguiderotterdam.com/>
 - o <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/the-netherlands/rotterdam/travel-tips-and-articles/five-reasons-to-visit-rotterdam>