The revival of historic orchards in the Netherlands and an introduction to the custodians of the Dutch Historic gardens

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Doorwerth Castle, after the battle of Arnhem.

After the second world war, rebuilding the nation had the first priority, our (green) cultural heritage had to wait before it gained attention, and before funds were available.



De Haar Castle, Haarzuilens near Utrecht

The medieval ruin was transformed into a splendid gothic revival castle.

The gardens and park were created in the late 19th and early 20th century

All the gardens in this presentataion are maintained by members of the Dutch Head gardeners Guild.



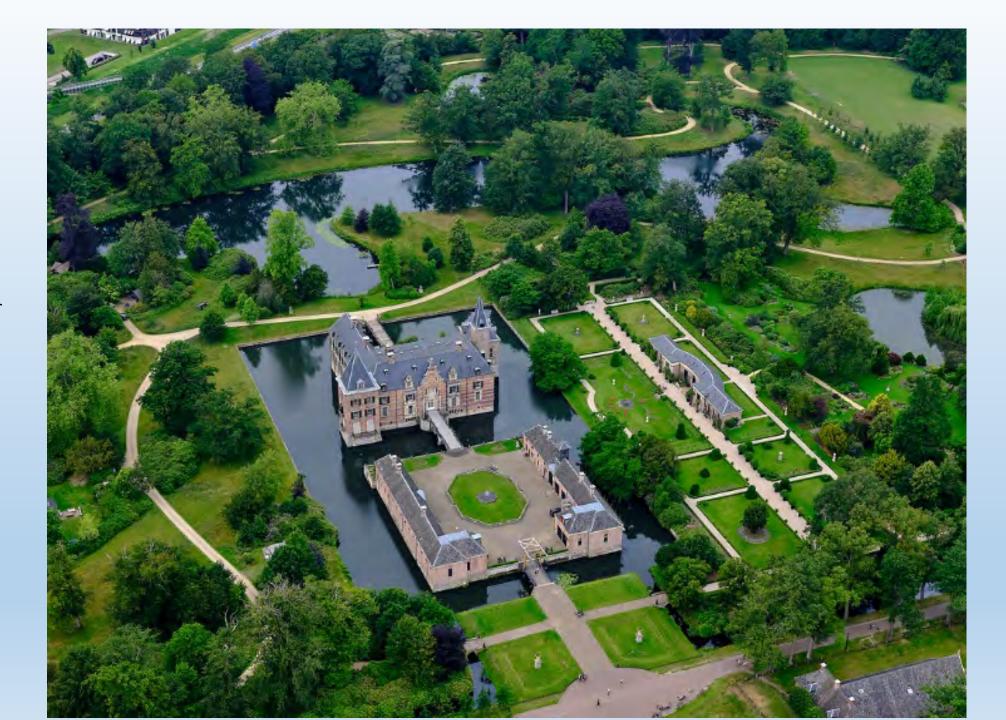
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Middachten castle, near Arnhem, Gelderland

Twickel castle, Delden, The park and gardens have been showing garden architecture for centuries



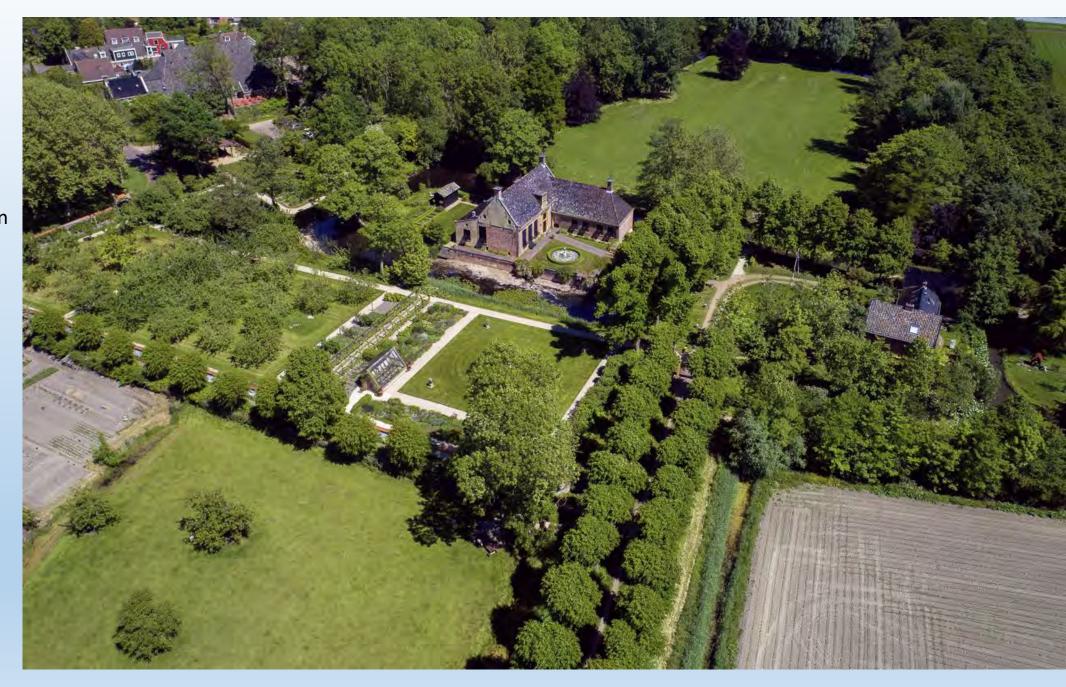
Muiderslot, Muiden Castle, near Amsterdam

Notably for an early gardens reconstruction in the renaissance style, with an ornamental garden, kitchen garden and an orchard.



Dekema State, a manorhouse, typical for the provinces in the far north,

Fine gardens, an orchard with histiric fruit trees and an impressive vegetation of wild bulbs in early spring, the so called 'Stinzenflora'



Dekema state and the 'Stinzenflora'



The reconstruction of the 17th century gardens at Het Loo Palace were a great stimulus for the preservation and restauration of other historic gardens



Het Loo Palace Gardens , 40 years later



Father and son van den Hengst, retired and present headgardener at the manor of Manpad, near Haarlem

Rare nowadays, but in the past there were dynasties of head gardeners in the Netherlands



In 2003 the 'Headgardeners Guild was founded, In 2021 there are over 100 members



Lunchbreak at the annual meeting



Lessons by Jan Freriks, honorary member of the Head Gardeners Guild, given in the gardens of Middachten castle



Knowledge is transferred to a younger generation



Zuylen Castle, trained fruit at a so-called 'Snake wall', a 'Slangenmuur' build to give maximum exposure to the sun.



Wildenborg Castle, during one of the 'Guild's excursions.



Some excursions abroad have been organised in recent years, here at the Potager du Roi at Versailles



Germany, Klein Glienecke near Potsdam



Discussions with colleagues abroad are important.

Here at Sanssoucci, Potsdam, as guests of Dr. Michael Rohde, Head of the palace gardens at Potsdam



A fine example of a Fruitand Vegetable garden in the Netherlands, the 'Moestuin', at Twickel Castle'



The King's garden at Het Loo Palace,

Espalier fruit trees trained at the garden walls, 2021



The Upper Garden at Het Loo Palace,

Young pear trees, to be trained as so called 'Naantjes', dwarf fruit trees as shown on the plate at the right, from the 'Nieuwe een naauwkeurige Nederlandse Hovenier'

(The new and accurate Dutch Gardener, 1720)

The tree were also known als 'Arbrenyns' a degenerated name from

'Les arbres nains'



The Head Gardeners
Guild presenting
themselves at fairs and
open days at estate
gardens.



Thank you for you attention

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