

## THE GE2026 AUGUST 24TH - 30TH IN NOORDWIJKERHOUT

The Cadillac Club Nederland will organize the Grand European in 2026 from August 24th - 30th in Noordwijkerhout (located close to the Northsea between Den Haag and Amsterdam).

The original goal of the Grand Europeans was to organize a Cadillac meeting in Europe every two years. This was a sort of equivalent for the annual Grand National of the Cadillac LaSalle Club in the US.

In 2026, [Cadillac Formula 1 Team](#) will participate in the Formula 1 Grand Prix for the first time. Cadillac will participate for the first and last time in the Formula 1 race in Zandvoort from August 21st to 23rd, 2026. Only 20 km from the NH Hotel in Noordwijkerhout.

This is an additional reason to organize the GE in the week following the Grand Prix.

At the GE2013 in The Netherlands, there were 120 teams with 230 participants from 18 countries, with 110 Cadillacs.

The GE2013 is covered in three PDFs of the Standard, which can be found at [www.cadillacclub.nl/ge2026/](http://www.cadillacclub.nl/ge2026/) or click on GE2026 in the top bar of the CCN homepage.

Participants can book a room at [NH Hotel De Leeuwenhorst](#), with a parking deck for the Cadillacs. ( [www.nh-hotels.com/nl/hotel/nh-noordwijk-conference-centre-leeuwenhorst](http://www.nh-hotels.com/nl/hotel/nh-noordwijk-conference-centre-leeuwenhorst) ).

These are the destinations for the GE2026 are (behind brackets is the distance from [the NH Hotel](#)):

1. [Louwman Museum](#) in Den Haag [www.louwmanmuseum.nl](http://www.louwmanmuseum.nl) (25 km)
2. [Toyota World Louwman](#) Raamsdonksveer
3. [Dutch Packard Collection](#) Bleiswijk [www.dutchpackardcollection.nl](http://www.dutchpackardcollection.nl) (40 km)
4. André Boer's [Corvette Museum](#) in Wezep [www.autobedrijfandreboer.nl/het-bedrijf/museum](http://www.autobedrijfandreboer.nl/het-bedrijf/museum) (140 km)
5. Rotterdam harbour tour and lunch, audiotour on the [SS Rotterdam](#)
6. [Pilgrimfathers Church](#), free Guided tour Delfshaven (Friday 28 Aug)
7. [Visser Classique](#) in Buren [www.visscherclassique.nl](http://www.visscherclassique.nl) (100 km)
8. [Healey Museum](#) Vreeland [www.healeymuseum.nl](http://www.healeymuseum.nl) (60 km)
9. [Wovu](#) in Veghel, classic car dealer with many Cadillacs, [www.wovu.nl](http://www.wovu.nl) (130 km)
10. [Metropole](#) in Druten ([www.metropole.nl](http://www.metropole.nl)), a large collection of classic cars and trucks (by bus) (130 km)
11. [Open Air museum](#) Arnhem ([www.openluchtmuseum.nl](http://www.openluchtmuseum.nl))
12. [Hooper International](#) museum with many Rolls Royces and Bentleys ([www.hooperinternational.com](http://www.hooperinternational.com)) (130 km)
13. [Porsche Classic Center Gelderland](#) Heteren (130 km)
14. [Space Expo](#) ([www.space-expo.nl/en](http://www.space-expo.nl/en)) in Noorwijk (5 km)
15. Boat tour [Biesbosch](#) (95 km)

Locations close to the NH hotel in Noordwijkerhout can be visited by Cadillac. For longer distances buses will be used

## **THE PROGRAMME**

The Grand European 2026 program consists of 7 days.

Participants can book a room at NH Hotel Leeuwenhorst in Noordwijkerhout. ( [www.nh-hotels.com/nl/hotel/nh-noordwijk-conference-centre-leeuwenhorst](http://www.nh-hotels.com/nl/hotel/nh-noordwijk-conference-centre-leeuwenhorst) ).

It is the same hotel as the GE2013, located close to the sea. Back then, 119 teams from 18 countries participated with 110 Cadillacs, totaling 240 people.

On Sunday, August 23, the Cadillac Formula 1 team will participate in the Grand Prix in Zandvoort, close to the NH hotel.

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 24**

#### **Louwman's Toyota World in Raamsdonksveer ([www.louwmanstoyotaworld.nl](http://www.louwmanstoyotaworld.nl))**

Visit to Louwman's Toyota World in Raamsdonksveer incl. lunch. Here you will find not only Toyotas but also various classic cars, including Jeeps, Dodges, Plymouths, and Imperials.

#### **Boat tour on the Biesbosch**

The Biesbosch National Park is a nature conservation area and the largest freshwater tidal zone in Europe. This means, for example, that you will find many streams and willow swamps there. With tall, luxuriant willow forests.

#### **Wovu in Veghel ([www.wovu.nl](http://www.wovu.nl))**

Wovu was born out of a passion for classics and technology. Wovu is much more than just a purchasing and sales point. It is a place where the true enthusiast of everything with historical value can imagine themselves in another time. With one of the most beautiful showrooms in the Netherlands. There are usually 30-40 classic cars for sale and a lot of memorabilia.

### **TUESDAY 25 AUG**

#### **Visscher Classique Buren ([www.visscherclassique.nl](http://www.visscherclassique.nl))**

The museum originates from Henk Visscher's passion for classic and modern classic cars. At the age of forty, he began to appreciate their beauty and started collecting them. The collection numbers over 100 cars, including Citroën, Datsun S30, Matra, Opel, Panhard, Peugeot, Simca, and Chrysler-Simca.

#### **Metropole Museum Druten ([www.metropole.nl](http://www.metropole.nl))**

The unique collection of over 400 classic cars, trucks, and motorcycles belonging to entrepreneur Frans van Haren. The vintage vehicles, dating from various eras, are housed in a spacious, 30,000 m<sup>2</sup> hall of the Metropole complex. A beautiful ambiance in which the collection is shown to its best advantage.

### **WEDNESDAY 26 AUG**

#### **Hooper International ([www.hooperinternational.com](http://www.hooperinternational.com))**

Toni Bienemann's collection includes more than 250 cars, including many Rolls-Royces and Bentleys.

The British coachbuilding company Hooper built many coaches for Rolls-Royce at a time when Rolls Royce did not build its own standard models. Toni Bienemann combined his hobby and his work. He bought the Hooper name and owns a museum, workshop, and various halls housing his collection.

**Open Air Museum in Arnhem ([www.openluchtmuseum.nl](http://www.openluchtmuseum.nl))**

Get acquainted with stories, traditions, objects, plants, and people from then and now. See craftsmen at work, from miller or blacksmith to printer and train conductor. And learn their craft yourself during a workshop. This way, you become part of history yourself: you literally step right into it. During a visit to the Open Air Museum, you simply \*must\* take a ride on a historic tram.

**Porsche Classic Center Gelderland ([www.porscheclassiccenter gelderland.nl](http://www.porscheclassiccenter gelderland.nl))**

This Porsche location houses new and classic Porsches, Beetles, and Audis, perhaps the nicest in the world.

**THURSDAY 27 AUG****Dutch Packard Collection in Bleiswijk ([www.dutchpackardcollection.nl](http://www.dutchpackardcollection.nl))**

Nearly 35 Packards are on display here, including the Packard Excellence that owner Bert Roubos had developed. The Packard Twelve Prototype from 1999 is also located there.

**Louwman Museum The Hague ([www.louwmanmuseum.nl](http://www.louwmanmuseum.nl))**

One of the largest and nicest car museums in the world.

**Visit Amsterdam**

Around 15:30 hr, it is possible to visit Amsterdam from the NH hotel in Noordwijkerhout by bus or Cadillac. The bus returns to NH around 21:00. Ruud Gersons will give a presentation about the Dutch painters in the NH hotel on Wednesday in English.

**FRIDAY 28 AUG**

Rotterdam is on the program for this day.

**Pilgrim Fathers Church Delfshaven ([www.pelgrimvaderskerk.nl](http://www.pelgrimvaderskerk.nl))**

It is located on the Aelbrechtskolk next to the Piet Heyns Bridge and owes its name to the Pilgrim Fathers, who began the crossing to America from Delfshaven in 1620. It is situated in Delfshaven, a historic part of Rotterdam.

**Vakgarage Jaco Smith ([www.vakgaragejacosmith.nl](http://www.vakgaragejacosmith.nl))**

Dealer of American cars and Indian and Harley Davidson motorcycles.

**SS Rotterdam ([www.ssrotterdam.nl](http://www.ssrotterdam.nl))**

This 228-meter-long steamship with oil-fired boilers and steam turbines served with the Holland-America Line from 1959. In the first ten years, the HAL deployed the Rotterdam primarily on the Trans-Atlantic route Rotterdam – New York from April through December. The ship is also a hotel and has a restaurant. It serves as an alternative for lunch or dinner for those not participating in the

**Rotterdam harbor cruise with lunch**

The cruise through the port of Rotterdam, the largest in Europe.

**Peter van Rijswijk ([www.peetcadillac.nl](http://www.peetcadillac.nl))**

After the cruise, late in the afternoon or evening there is the option to join Peter van Rijswijk in Klaaswaal. He has various Cadillacs, parts, and memorabilia.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 29**

**Healey Museum Vreeland ([www.healeymuseum.nl](http://www.healeymuseum.nl))**

The first and only Healey Museum in the world opened on November 24, 2012. In addition to many special Healeys and special models, the Healey Museum boasts a large collection of historical material from the glory years of Healey automobiles in racing and rallying, of which the Austin Healey is the most famous.

**André Boer's Corvette collection in Wezep ([www.autobedrijfandreboer.nl/het-bedrijf/museum](http://www.autobedrijfandreboer.nl/het-bedrijf/museum))**

The collection now includes all model years, including almost every special edition produced for the public, such as anniversary editions, collector editions, ZR1 Corvettes, and all Pace Car Corvettes.

An additional hall was added last year. Downstairs in the new hall, there are mainly Camaros, Firebirds, and the special Corvettes. Upstairs are American classics, starting with a 1928 Chevrolet, with the newest one being from 1960. With the exception of a single Buick, two Cadillacs, and a Packard, there are all Chevrolets, because André is a true Chevrolet man.

**Dinner and party at the NH Hotel Leeuwenhorst in Noordwijkerhout**

Dinner begins at the NH Hotel around 6:30 PM. It will be a 3-course buffet dinner. Following this, at 8:00 PM, the party begins with music from the Rock & Roll band the Roustabouts.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 30**

**Space Expo Noordwijk <https://www.space-expo.nl>**

A space exhibition featuring historical highlights of space travel, a satellite square, a focus on the Ariane rocket, a replica ISS, a Soyuz simulator, and a life-size model of the moon landing.

Cadillac meeting in the NH parking lot with several stands offering parts, brochures, books, manuals, miniatures, and memorabilia, among other things.

Cadillac meeting at the NH-Hotel in Noordwijkerhout.

We hope meet more than 100 Cadillacs from the GE2026 participants, the Dutch Cadillac Club and other Cadillac owners.

With stands with parts, manuals, brochures, memorabilia, Cadillacs for sale, free ride in a Greyhound or American school bus.

**Rooms can be booked directly at NH: [www.nh-hotels.com/nl/hotel/nh-noordwijk-conference-centre-leeuwenhorst](http://www.nh-hotels.com/nl/hotel/nh-noordwijk-conference-centre-leeuwenhorst)**

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