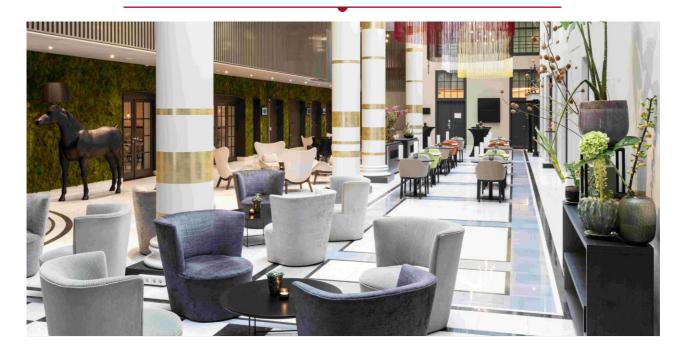


# NH Collection Amsterdam Barbizon Palace



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# A unique piece of history, expertly converted from several 17th century town houses and a 15th century chapel

NH Collection Amsterdam Barbizon Palace comprises 19 historic town houses dating back to the 17th century and a newly build section, offering a large variety in room types and features. A lot of the suites have the original wooden beam ceilings visible.

The hotel offers a restaurant and bar. Restaurant Vermeer is one of the city's favourites. Offering a largely plant-based inspired seasonal menu with home grown vegetables, an experience to not forget. Bottles&Jars is the hotel bar with an extended bites and dinner men

The property is the perfect location for either business or leisure travellers, right across the Central Station in the most historic part of the city.

12 meeting rooms are at your disposal, with the 15th century Saint Olof's Chapel as the most impressive centrepiece.



### **About**

In the very heart of Amsterdam's historic centre, the city's key attractions right across the Central Station, are just steps away from your door







NH Collection Barbizon Palace is situated in the most historic and central part of the city, between the lively Zeedijk street and the Prins Hendrikkade. The hotel is conveniently located opposite the central railway station and on walking distance from the main shopping street and museums, with typical Amsterdam canals on both sides of the hotel.

The building comprises 19 historic town houses, dating back to the 17th century. Connected through time and space, the history is still visible in many room categories the hotel has to offer. There are 268 rooms, combining contemporary conveniences NH Collection stands for, with a typical Amsterdam charm. Most suites even have the original wooden ceilings and a canal view. Long stays are also possible in one of the private apartments.

Apart from 268 rooms, guests can enjoy a large lounge area in the lobby, two restaurants on site and twelve meeting rooms. After a day exploring the city, one can reenergize in the hotel fitness, sauna and steam room. The hotel offers valet parking and even arrival by boat is an option as there is a private boat jetty.

When it comes to details, everything has been under the magnifying glass. From the high-quality matrasses in the rooms to the locally sourced ingredients on the menu. From being green key certified to intelligent control of light and indoor climate, NH Collection Barbizon Palace has it covered. The Guest Relations team will make every stay exceptional, ask for local tips to our concierge who worked at the hotel for over 35 years. Our team is ready to welcome every guest with a smile.



# History

### Unique in its location and history







Ludo de Jong, the hotel's General Manager commented, "NH Collection Barbizon Palace is unique in its location and history. It is the perfect starting point to discover and experience Amsterdam. And we did not forget where our roots are."

The history of the area where the hotel is located, dates back to the early 15th century. At that time, it used to be an area of importance for the boating industry. Later on, a lot of warehouses and storage buildings created the new face of the Zeedijk, partly still visible today.

At the end of the 19th century (around 1875), the Zeedijk has developed into a shopping area. However, due to bad economic circumstances, a lot of the buildings got abandoned, and forgotten about. At the end of the 20th century, plans were made to build a 5-star hotel in this area: resulting in the current building. The name Barbizon comes from a place in the woods of Fontainebleau, near Paris. This was a retreat for painters in the 19th century, whose style and colour tones formed an inspiration for the design of the interior of the hotel.

An important feature of the hotel is its connection to the St. Olof's Chapel – a 15th century chapel and the oldest religious building in the city of Amsterdam, which was initially built and used as a church, but also used as a venue for multiple purposes. For example, it was also the place where the East-Indian Trading Company (as the first company ever) handed out its first shares. It was used as a Chapel until 1912, after that it became a venue for all sorts of occasions, such as the weekly Amsterdam Cheese market. In 1966 it sadly burned down. After years of neglect, it was purchased by Barbizon Palace for the symbolical amount of one guilder, and turned into a congress and event venue, which opened in 1993. The hotel is recently fully renovated. All hotel rooms and public areas are refurbished and upgraded to the high-level NH Collection standards.



# Restaurant & bar

## A place for gourmands







Restaurant Vermeer is a well-known place among Amsterdam foodies, the restaurant was one of the first to offer a mainly plant-based menu, fully seasonal and home grown. The chef is inspired by everything Dutch soil has to offer, with the ambition to bring it in the best way possible to the table. Also the hotel bar Bottles&Jars offers a small international diner menu, as well as an extended and high quality bites menu.

Breakfast is served in restaurant Appel, named after the Dutch master Karel Appel, as well as lunch during meetings or events. The à la carte breakfast menu has a large variety of choice both sweet and savoury, in addition to the extended buffet.

# Wellness & gym

#### Relax and unwind







After a day of exploring the city, a moment of wellness can be arranged in the hotel spa area. The sauna and hammam are available 24/7 and the gym provides equipment for a proper full body workout. The facilities are completed with refreshments, towels and fruits, accessible for all hotel guests.



### **Events**

#### An inspirational event venue







Amsterdam is the city of cosy townhouses along narrow canals. It is rather exceptional to find a large congress and event venue in the historical centre, yet NH Collection Barbizon Palace has 12 meeting rooms to offer. The St. Olof's Chapel being the largest and most appealing one due to its history. But also, the other rooms do not lack charm. The largest capacity in one room is 330 persons in theatre style. Break-out rooms or board of director spaces are available as well.

Each meeting can be booked with custom made catering of a Vermeer signature quality level. Both on site and in our Appel restaurant, our team of event specialists will work on a unique schedule for each event. In the Saint Olof's Chapel, we have hosted weddings and parties, pop-up restaurants and exhibitions, meetings and events.

#### **About NH Collection**

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