

Youth Bridge Championships Veldhoven 2023

Some information about transport to the venue

Veldhoven (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Veldhoven>) is a suburb of Eindhoven, one of the major cities in the Netherlands.

Pick-up service will be available from Eindhoven airport as well as Eindhoven Centraal railway station. The airport is only fifteen minutes from the venue, the railway station just a little further.

Shuttle rate (two-way trip) = 15€/pers

By air

Eindhoven airport

<https://www.eindhovenairport.nl/en/destinations>

Eindhoven airport has many flights all over Europe.

Especially, but not only, for those who come from other continents it might be practical to choose another airport and travel the last part of your trip by train. Here are some options.

Amsterdam Schiphol airport

<https://www.schiphol.nl/en/route-development/airport-facts/intercontinental-destinations/>

KLM offers a connecting bus service from Amsterdam to Eindhoven airport vv, but only twice a day. It might be much more convenient to take the train from Schiphol airport, which runs at least twice per hour from 6 am until 10.30 pm. The railway station is very conveniently situated at the airport. It takes 1.5 hour by train to Eindhoven.

Rotterdam The Hague airport

<https://www.rotterdamthehagueairport.nl/en/plan-your-trip/flights/destinations/>

You need a public bus (or taxi), appr. 20 minutes, to travel from this airport to the closest railway station, Rotterdam Centraal. From there, it is 1 hour to Eindhoven Centraal, twice per hour.

Brussels airport Zaventem (Belgium)

<https://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passengers/destinations#/>

The railway station is at the airport and there is a direct connection to Breda where you can change to Eindhoven. The trip takes just over two hours, once per hour.

Brussels South Charleroi airport (Belgium); mostly Europe only

<https://www.brussels-charleroi-airport.com/en/destinations>

Transfers by bus (20 minutes) to Chairleroi railway station. From there, by train to Eindhoven, two changes in appr. 2.5 hours.

Düsseldorf airport (Germany)

<https://www.dus.com/en/flights/destinations>

The railway station is at the airport. There are connections through different routes that require two or three changes before arriving in Eindhoven. The trip takes approximately two hours, depending on the connection chosen.

Weeze airport (Germany); almost only European destinations

<https://airport-weeze.com/our-destinations/?lang=en>

You need a transfer bus, appr. ten minutes, to Weeze railway station. From there, frequent connections but three changes to Eindhoven. The train trip will take at least 2.5 hours.

By train

You might choose to come all the way by train. Eindhoven Centraal does not have any direct international connections, but there are various good options as below.

Coming from the south.

Either take Thalys from Paris – Brussels – Antwerp to Rotterdam and change there; see at Rotterdam The Hague airport.

There is also a connection between Liege (Belgium) and Maastricht. From Maastricht, frequent connections once or twice per hour, just one hour to Eindhoven.

Coming from the east.

Either cross the border at Arnhem (from the Ruhrgebiet, through Cologne, Düsseldorf, Oberhausen) or at Venlo (from Mönchengladbach). From Venlo, twice per hour (just 40 minutes) to Eindhoven, from Arnhem also twice per hour with one change, takes 70 minutes).

Coming from the north.

Either cross the border at Oldenzaal (from Niedersachsen and further, or from Scandinavia and Poland). It takes two or three changes, and 2 – 2.5 hours.

Coming from the west.

A few times a day, London St. Pancras is connected without any changes to Rotterdam Centraal. Several more with an extra change in Brussels; see for more details Brussels airport Zaventem.

The Dutch railways (<https://www.ns.nl/en>) has cheap options for tickets, especially but not only for those under 18. Have a look (in English) before you book at <https://www.ns.nl/producten/en/meest-gekocht/p/groepsticket-daluren> (for groups) <https://www.ns.nl/en/customer-service/kids-vrij/traveling-after-kids-vrij.html> (under 18)

Bus information

General information for trains and buses: <https://9292.nl/en>

From Eindhoven Centraal railway station, both lines 19 and 319 go to Koningshof (stop just in front of the NH hotel), at least twice per hour and it lasts appr. 30 minutes

From Eindhoven Airport: please refer to <https://www.hermes.nl/en/our-routes/timetable-and-bus-stop-information>

This overview is made on February 27 and things might have changed since then. For a tailor made advice and reservation, please contact Marc van Beijsterveldt at veldhovenyouthbridge2023@gmail.com (tel: +31 6 24256274).