



## Rotterdam

## Architectural Guide

World-famous for its harbour, which is currently the biggest in Europe, Rotterdam is a very dynamic metropolis: experimental, slightly rough around the edges, and studded with hidden gems. This book presents more than 150 selected buildings in Rotterdam, ranging from the few remaining from the Golden Age to modern classics and contemporary projects. It covers famous highlights, but also lesser-known interventions, such as small infill and selfbuild projects. The buildings are arranged in six tours through different areas of the city. In addition to an introduction to the historical development of the city, the guide also includes a chapter on the most momentous event in the history of Rotterdam: the bombing of the city centre during World War II and its subsequent reconstruction. An interview with renowned Rotterdam-based architect Kees Christiaanse provides an insider's view on recent developments.

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