

Molen *van west*





OVER MOLEN VAN WEST

Unique venue in Amsterdam



Molen van West is a historic urban oasis in Amsterdam-West, situated on the grounds of Molen De Otter, the world's oldest working timber sawmill. Here, heritage, sustainability and creativity come together. A place where meaningful encounters can take place. In the heart of the city, yet outside of time.

Ideal for cultural institutions, impact organisations, policymakers, strategy teams, top consultancies, embassies, solicitors' and notaries' offices, financial institutions, creative agencies, food and design brands, visionaries and artists.

A listed windmill from 1631, which still saws timber. Two characterful warehouses, ~ *water* and ~ *wind*, for events, sessions and dinners. Sustainably heated with aquathermal energy. Winner of the SBIR Innovation Prize 'Sustainable Heritage' & PROVADA Inspiration Award 2025. And above all: a place with soul.



The warehouses ~ *water* and ~ *wind* are two former timber-drying sheds that have been restored with great craftsmanship and aesthetic sensibility. Original materials have been preserved or reused, with an eye for sustainability and atmosphere. The spaces are light, spacious and full of character: with large windows, folding doors and a direct relationship with the outdoors.

On one side you look out onto the historic windmill, on the other side onto the Kostverlorenvaart, part of the standing-mast route. Here pleasure boats, yachts, cargo ships and council and police boats pass by. There's always something to see, the water is alive, and you can feel that in the energy of the place.

Also on the premises: a small harbour to dock a (canal cruise) boat and give your guests a unique arrival or departure.



Practical Information



AVAILABLE SPACES

- Molen de Otter windmill (small sessions, storytelling, heritage experience)
- ~ *water* warehouse – waterside
- ~ *wind* warehouse – south side of grounds
- Outdoor space with views of the windmill and canal
- Small harbour on the premises for docking canal cruise boats

FACILITIES

- WiFi, sound system, flip charts Lighting installation (basic) + power (3x80A)
- Heating via aquathermal energy
- Toilets (2 in ~ *water*, 1 in ~ *wind*.) & pantry (in ~ *water*) available

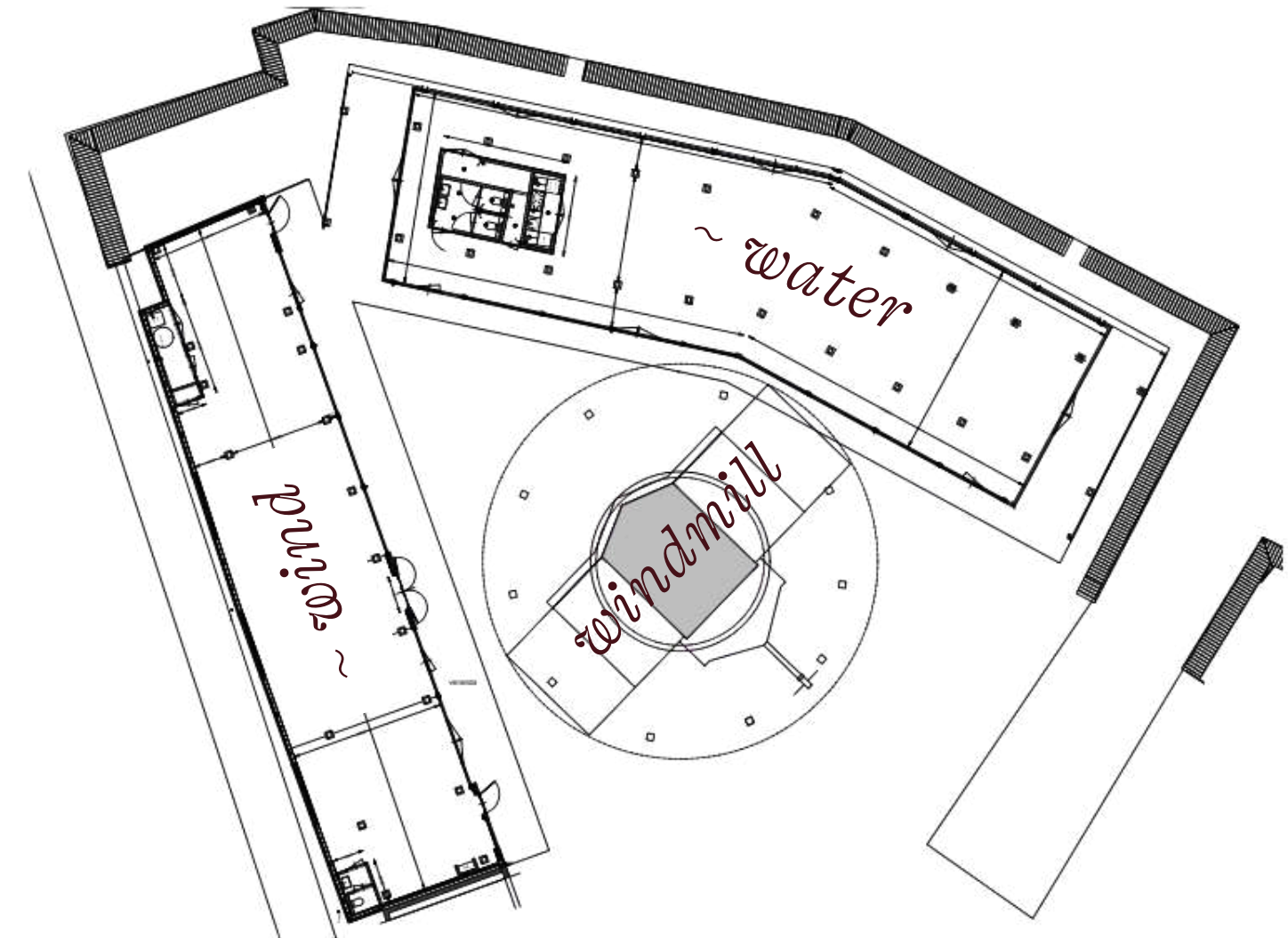
everything included as standard & included in the price

CATERING & TECHNICAL

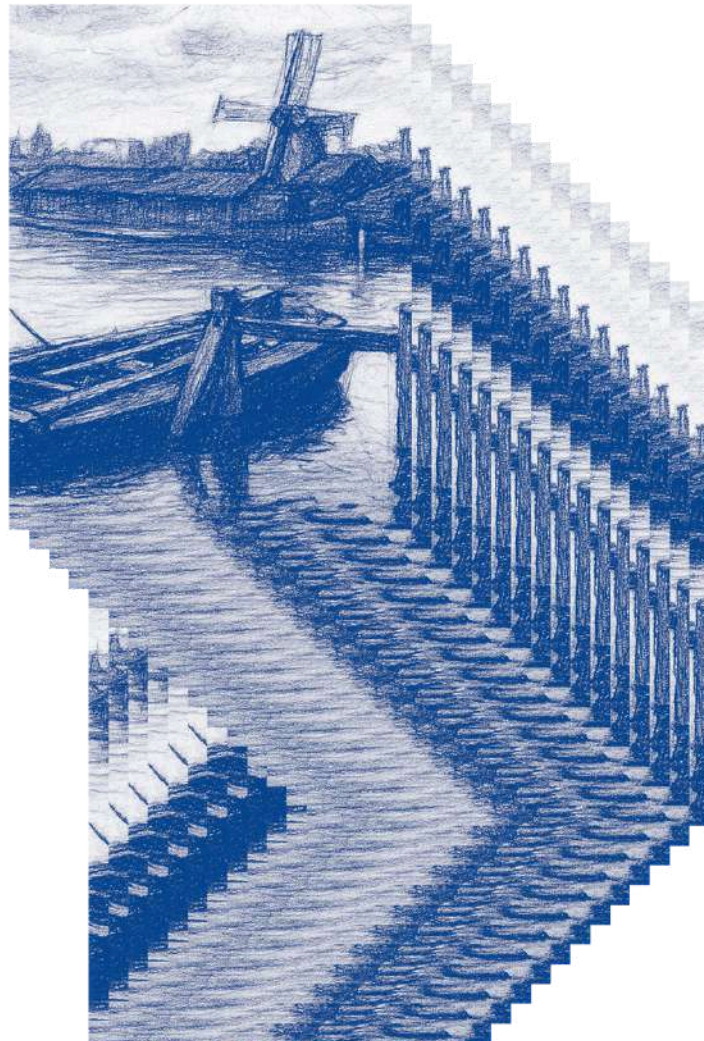
- Catering only available through established partners
- Think: Classic, Ottolenghi, American, World cuisine, Finger food or Food design
- Technical equipment & crew on request
- Room setup on request
- Sustainable, local and always stylish or distinctive

CAPACITY & LAYOUTS

Workshop:	176 (~ <i>water</i> 22 x 8p) 80 (~ <i>wind</i> 10 x 8)
Theater:	136 (both in ~ <i>water</i> as well as ~ <i>wind</i>)
Dinner	144 (~ <i>water</i>) + 96 (~ <i>wind</i>)
Outside:	flexibel, depending on setup



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PRICES & AVAILABILITY

~ *water* 270 m²

per day part: €1600

two day parts: €1900

three day parts: €2200

~ *wind* 207 m²

per day part: €900

two day parts: €1200

three day parts: €1500

~ *wind* + ~ *water*

per day part: €2400

two day parts: €2700

three day parts: €3000

- Day part times: 08:00 - 12:30 | 13:30 - 17:00 | 18:00 - 22:00
- Prices excl. VAT, catering and staffing costs, technical equipment, setup & venue manager
- Venue availability: on request

PARTNERSHIPS & BESPOKE PROGRAMMES

We're happy to collaborate on content, curation or speakers. Co-creation possible with the Molen van West team.

LOCATION & ACCESSIBILITY

Address

Gillis van Ledenberchstraat 78
1052 VK Amsterdam

Accessibility

Bike: 10 min from Centraal Station

Public Transport: tram/busstop in walking distance

Car: on street parking or parkinglot Q-Park

Singelgracht at 5 min walk

Boot: dock in private harbour opposite Buysbrug

CONTACT & BOOKINGS

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Added Value

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

De Otter was built in 1631 and was once part of the world's first urban industrial zone. It is the last remaining timber sawmill of the more than 80 that Amsterdam once had. Every Tuesday it still turns its sails.

MILLERS & STORIES

On request, the millers can (for a fee) operate the windmill during a visit. They can provide a guided tour or tell a story if desired.

ARRIVAL PER BOAT

Molen van West is situated directly on the Kostverlorenvaart. Docking or reception by (sailing or canal cruise) boat is possible at the small harbour on the premises.

URBAN OASIS WITH CARE FOR THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

Molen van West is situated by the water, right in the heart of Amsterdam, and this makes this place not only extra special, but also extra vulnerable. We therefore ask guests to be considerate of the surroundings: the premises must be quiet after 22:00. Amplified music is not permitted.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

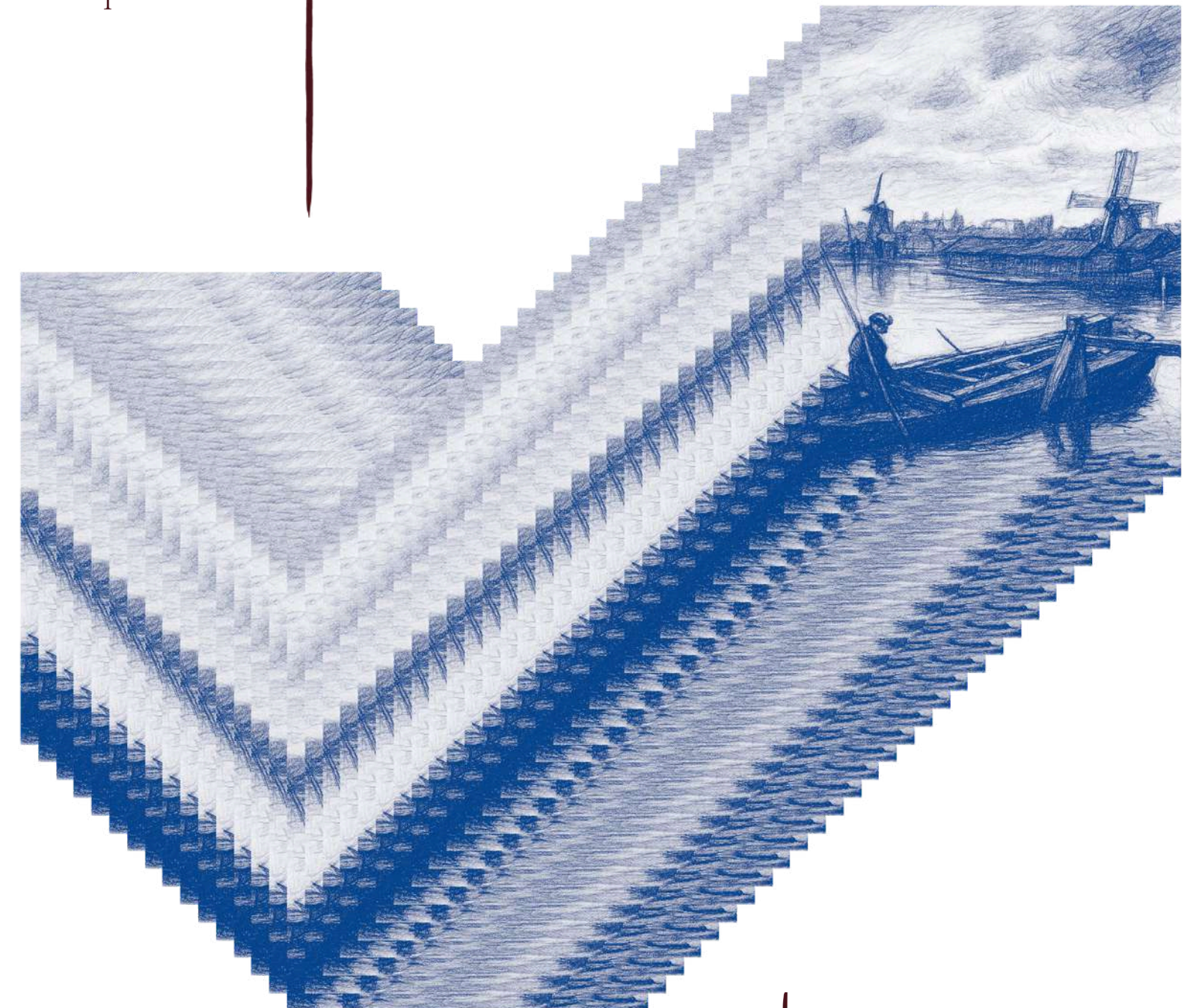
Molenterrein De Otter won the PROVADA Inspiration Award 2025 for its innovative vision on heritage in the city. Additionally, the project was awarded an SBIR Innovation Prize 'Sustainable Heritage' in June 2022 for the application of aquathermal energy: a groundbreaking pilot that heats listed buildings with heat from the Kostverlorenvaart.

BOULDER AMSTERDAM

On the premises there is a bouldering hall. Ideal as a playful, sporty break during an event.

EXCLUSIVE HIRE

The entire windmill site can – by arrangement – be hired exclusively for special occasions.

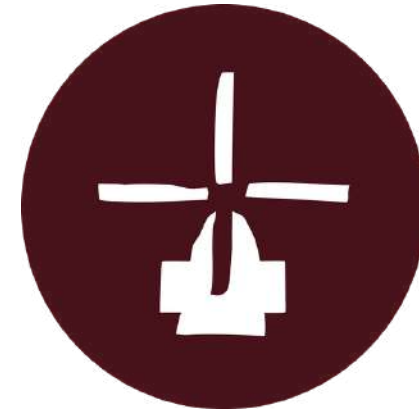


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