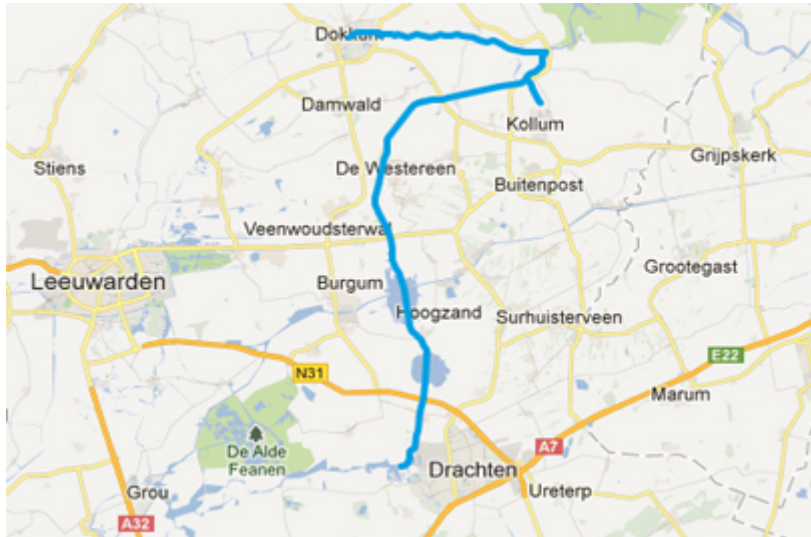


Lits Lauwersmeer route

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Enjoy the peace, nature, water and the cosy villages and cities. That's possible in the varied area of 'De Lits' and 'De Lauwers'.



The new Lits-Lauwersmeer route connects the Friesian lakes and Lauwersmeer with the towns of Drachten and Dokkum. This surprising piece of Friesland offers a fantastic route, which is ideally explored in a larger motorboat.

Wonderful spots

The entire route has a height of 3.00 metres and is accessible for boats with a draught of 1.50 metres. There are plenty of fantastic mooring places. Along the Stroobossertrekvaart and Oude Lauwers for example, or at one of the islands in the very special De Leijen lake. Bird watchers will be in their element here in the bird observatory. If you're looking for a more sporty option, moor at Zwaagwesteinde and explore Sippenvennen nature area by canoe.

Villages and towns

Not only the water itself but also the dry land along the Lits-Lauwersmeer route is worth the effort. Beautiful, cosy villages invite you to visit them. Picturesque Eastermar, Kollum with its famous cheese days, Burgum with its pingo ruins and Buitenpost with De Kruidhof botanical gardens.

Drachten is one of the larger towns along the route, which offers fun shopping. Smallerland Museum displays works by Friesian artists. In Dokkum, Friesland's second oldest town, we find the Town hall with rococo paintings, the former Orphanage and the Weighing house. Here too is the nature museum and Admiralty house regional museum.

On your bike...

From water to the cycle paths: The Lits-Lauwersmeer route area is ideally suited to exploring by bicycle. Why not use the cycle route network to plan your own short or longer trip?