

More than 3.500 FREE moorings in Friesland



*We attach great value to
conserving our natural habitat
and scenic Frisian landscape*





Free moorings in scenic surroundings

Friesland offers you more than 3,500 Marrekrite mooring sites in the most unique spots that put you right in the middle of natural beauty. Perfect places to tie up for three days, at no cost, and enjoy Friesland's natural wonders.

On behalf of the Province of Friesland and almost all Frisian municipalities, De Marrekrite manages and maintains these free moorings, ensures the removal of recreational waste at many locations, maintains buoys and beacons for recreational navigation, and manages other recreational facilities on Frisian waters and along these shores.

Recreation ashore

Our traditional arena has always been on the water and where it meets the land. During the last few years, however, we have been stepping ashore! Managing and maintaining the route networks (markers) in the Province of Friesland has become an important part of our responsibilities. Also included in our duties are making changes in and adding to the system of cycling path hubs and other route structures.

De Marrekrite has documented almost all the recreational routes. These are available at www.beleeffriesland.nl. The maintenance of the cycling and hiking paths will still be done by the province or the municipality.

We check the system of cycling path hubs and other route structures twice a year. If you happen to see that a marker at one of these hubs or routes is gone or damaged, you can report this at De Marrekrite's website.



De Marrekrite wants to serve Friesland by:

- managing and maintaining free mooring sites in natural environments
- developing new mooring facilities
- providing uniform bridge and lock operation
- providing dredging projects - keeping the facilities accessible
- removing recreational waste
- providing buoying and beaconing for recreational waterways and passages
- managing and maintaining of route networks on land



Key figures

- approx. 3500 free mooring sites at over 285 locations
- approx. 50 km of quay and sheet pile wall of which at least 9 km of landing stage and 5 km of sheet pile wall are made of recycled plastic
- 25 MarBuoys
- 100 containers at 60 locations
- more than 60 volunteers
- more than 500 donors
- 680 cycling path hub markers
- a network of 2650 km of cycling paths



S
N
6
2
A



An emergency on the water?

Especially for your safety, we have made arrangements with the emergency service so that the 1-1-2 emergency service in Friesland is acquainted with all the numbers of De Marrekrite's facilities. This system ensures that you are always accessible to the emergency services of the Province of Friesland. This means you can feel secure even when mooring your boat out in scenic surroundings!

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY?

- Remain calm.
- Call 1-1-2.
- Indicate that you are in Friesland.
- Give your landing stage number, buoy number or GPS location.

TIP: When mooring, take note of your landing stage or buoy number straightaway.



The MarBuoys: Keeps vessel tied up and makes casting off easy

The MarBuoy is a plastic buoy with a large top mark. These new Marrekrite mooring sites are located – just like our other ones – at the most beautiful places in Friesland.

Mooring is very easy. It can be done by attaching just a single line. The wind will automatically keep the vessel away from the buoy. Even if the boat comes into slight contact with the buoy while mooring, no damage will be done because the buoy is made from soft plastic. If necessary, an experienced skipper can even moor a boat up alone, and in just a minute. Casting off is even easier. Many people find both casting off and mooring up a little stressful – but not with a MarBuoy.

The vessel already has its prow to the wind so it will always be ready for casting off. All you have to do when casting off is to free the hawser and allow a short time to let the vessel float free. Then simply take off. This makes the MarBuoy, nautically speaking, very convenient!

Only one vessel is tied to each buoy, so this gives you a lot of privacy. Where the buoys are in little clusters, you may be within a certain distance from other vessels but you will still have your own space. A MarBuoy keeps your boat in place and also makes it easy to cast off. Friesland now has 25 MarBuoys, but we will soon be adding more.

The latest list of these is available at the website.





Volunteers

Volunteers are very important for De Marrekrite. You are most likely to encounter our volunteers “The Friends of De Marrekrite” as pennant sellers and/or surveillants. It was these Friends of De Marrekrite who initiated the selling of pennants years ago. The first pennants were sold in 1987 to generate additional financial support for De Marrekrite. Currently, these volunteers are still very much involved in the sale and distribution of the pennants, but the administrative handling takes place at De Marrekrite’s office.

We are always looking for new volunteers. Would you like to become a volunteer for De Marrekrite? We would be delighted to welcome you. The website has a registration form for volunteers. Once you complete this form and send it in, we will contact you as soon as possible. Or simply call us.



Support De Marrekrite!

We could really use your support! Managing and maintaining our natural moorings and other facilities costs a lot of money.

You can support us by buying a Marrekrite pennant or by becoming a donor! By doing so, you are making a direct contribution to maintaining these natural moorings in Friesland. Your contribution goes directly to maintaining and managing these mooring facilities. Every December, our website announces how much money the sale of pennants has generated that year.

You can buy the pennant at various points of sale in Friesland. Or you can order it from the website www.marrekrite.nl. You can also visit the website to become a donor or to download a list of all the points of sale.

Mooring regulations in Friesland

Our moorings are located in the middle of natural surroundings. Tranquillity, spaciousness and natural surroundings are often important criteria for those who select our moorings. To make a stay at our mooring sites as nice as possible for everyone, we would like to draw your attention to the following mooring regulations. Not all of these mooring regulations were devised by De Marrekrte. Many are specified by law.



Do not be the source of irritating noise generated by radios, hydraulic systems, etc.



Maintain moderate speeds. Stern waves are very unpleasant for moored boats and can damage the banks.



Keep dogs leashed.

Mooring regulations in Friesland



Mooring for longer than 3 days on the same place is not permitted.



Do not use a barbecue grill on quays and benches.



Please leave the moorings in a neat, clean condition when you leave!



Clean up any dog or human excrement – do not leave it behind!



Mooring regulations in Friesland



Camping is permitted only at certain mooring sites (refer to De Marrekrite sign on or near the landing stage).



Do not cut back or cut down trees or shrubs.



Campfires and other open fires are not permitted due to the risk of smoke bothering others, flying sparks and forest and peat fires.



Vessels may not be left behind unmanned for long periods except in a marina or along a bank where this is indicated as being permitted.

Mooring regulations in Friesland



Use the waste containers! Do not use them for disposing of chemical waste.



When mooring, try to tie up your boat as close as possible to the next boat.



Never moor your boat among reeds.



Respect the land and property of farmers.



Important telephone numbers

Emergency number	112
Friesland Police Force	+31 (0)900 - 8844
Water police	+31 (0)343 - 535 355
Environmental emergency number	+31 (0)58 - 212 24 22
Provincial Water Board (bridge operating schedule)	+31 (0)58 - 292 58 88
Province of Friesland (main number)	+31 (0)58 - 292 59 25
Friesland Water Authority	+31 (0)58 - 292 22 22
Swimming water quality hotline	+31 (0)58 - 292 56 50
Tourist Information Office information number	+31 (0)900 - 202 40 60



Helpful links

Tourist information	www.beleeffriesland.nl
The Frisian Lakes Project	www.friesemerren.nl
Security	www.nederlandveilig.nl
About De Marrekrite	www.marrekrite.nl
Boating together	www.vdjs.nl
Netherlands-Cycling Land	www.nederlandfietsland.nl
Cyclists' Union	www.fietzersbond.nl
Water sports association	www.watersportverbond.nl

Organisation for water and land
recreation De Marrekrite
Emmakade 87A
8921 AH Leeuwarden
T 058 212 85 81
F 058 212 57 15
E info@marrekrite.nl
I www.marrekrite.nl
IBAN NL23 INGB 0000 8895 81

