



Keukenhof



Keukenhof is open annually from mid-March to mid-May. The best time to view the tulips is around mid-April, depending on the weather.

History

Keukenhof is situated on 15th-century hunting grounds. It was also a source of herbs for Jacqueline, Countess of Hainaut's castle, which is the source of the name Keukenhof (it served to provide herbs for the castle's kitchen). Rich merchants took over the grounds after the Countess's death. VOC captain and governor Adriaen Maertensz Block lived there in his retirement years in the 17th century in the country house (now known as Castle Keukenhof) which he had let built in 1641. In the 19th century, the Baron and Baroness Van Pallandt assigned the landscape architect Jan David Zocher and his son Louis Paul Zocher, who had also worked on the Vondelpark, to design the grounds around the castle. The garden was established in 1949 by the then-mayor of Lisse. The idea was to present a flower exhibit where growers from all over the Netherlands and Europe could show off their hybrids - and help the Dutch export industry (the Netherlands is the world's largest exporter of flowers).

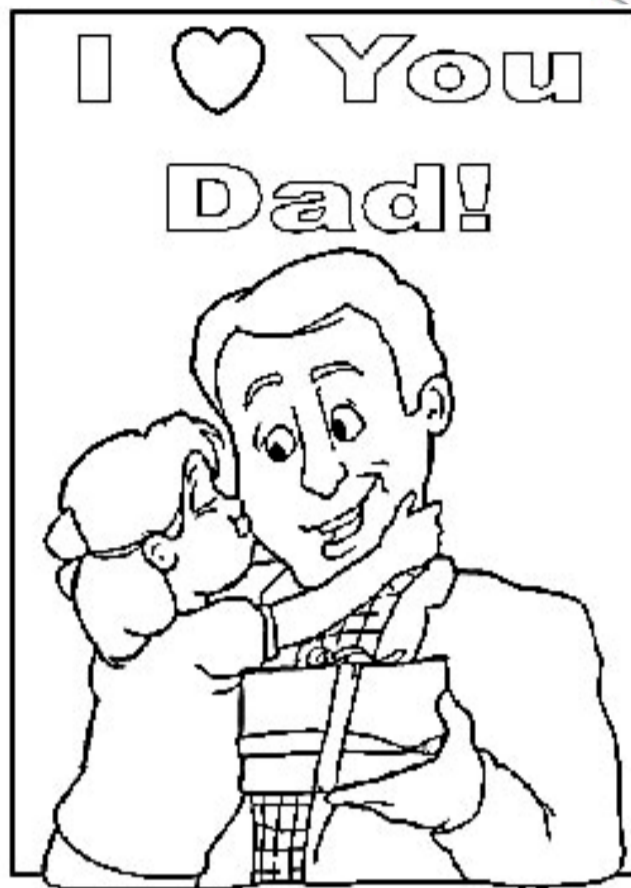
Gardens

The Keukenhof features a variety of different gardens and garden styles. For example, the English landscape garden features winding paths and unexpected see-through points (designed by Zocher in 1830, the garden architect of the Vondelpark in Amsterdam, among others). The historical garden is an enclosed garden where you can see many old types of bulbs. The nature garden consists of a water garden where shrubs and perennials are combined with bulbous plants. The Japanese country garden is a non-traditional garden in a natural environment.

The Keukenhof doesn't contain the long fields of tulips many visitors expect. However, there are tulip fields outside the Garden (mostly privately owned). These fields may have restricted access and are not included as part of the Keukenhof ticket.



Color me!



ACTIVITY

Cute Clamshell Craft

Materials:

- Black acrylic paint
- Paintbrush
- White beads (fake pearls work well)
- Clamshells
- Hot-glue gun

Directions:

1. Paint black pupils in center of each bead; let dry. Sandwich two clamshells together so insides face each other and hinges match up. Position a pair of beads between shells so pupils gaze out in same direction. Glue in place.
2. Glue hinge end of shells together. Let dry completely.

DID YOU KNOW?



EARTH FACTS

- * Magma is the hot liquid rock under the surface of the Earth, it is known as lava after it comes out of a volcano.
- * Hawaii is moving towards Japan at the speed of 10cm a year. This is because they are on different tectonic plates.
- * The world's largest desert (outside of the polar regions) is the Sahara, it covers about one third of Africa!
- * Stretching out to an impressive length of 6696 kilometers (4160 miles) long, the Nile River is the longest river on earth.
- * The volcanic rock known as pumice is the only rock that can float in water.
- * Mt Everest is the highest mountain on earth, its peak reaches 8,848 meters (29029 feet) above sea level. Check out the highest mountains on each continent of the Earth.
- * On average the Atlantic Ocean is the saltiest of Earth's major oceans.
- * Metamorphic rocks are formed by extreme pressure and heat. Read more about metamorphic, igneous and sedimentary rocks, find information on rocks and minerals or check out our interesting fossil facts.
- * The Earth isn't perfectly round, it is slightly flattened at the north and south poles.
- * Scared of the Bermuda Triangle? Despite its reputation it is actually part of a commonly sailed shipping route.
- * Scientists have dated the Earth as being between 4 and 5 billion years old!
- * The Amazon rainforest is the largest tropical rainforest on Earth. Enjoy more rainforest facts or learn about jungles.
- * Talc is the softest mineral found on Earth, reaching just 1 on Mohs scale of hardness, it is often used to make talcum powder.
- * The Great Barrier Reef in Australia is the largest living structure in the world.
- * The Niagara Falls are located on the border of the USA and Canada.
- * Rock found at the bottom of the Grand Canyon is around 2 billion years old.



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PIZZADILLAS WITH RED SAUCE

What you need:

- 4 whole-wheat tortillas (8 inches)
- 2/3 cup fresh or frozen spinach, finely chopped
- 2/3 cup part-skim mozzarella cheese, shredded
- 1 cup marinara sauce (store-bought or home-made)

Cooking spray

What to do:

- Lay 2 tortillas on a flat surface. Divide spinach and cheese between the tortillas.
- Top with remaining 2 tortillas.
- Place skillet over medium heat. Lightly coat pan with cooking spray.
- Gently slide 1 pizzadilla into the pan and cook until light golden brown on one side (about 1-2 minutes).
- Using a thin spatula, gently flip over the pizzadilla and cook for 30-60 seconds more or until



cheese is fully melted. Remove pizzadilla and cut into triangles. Repeat with remaining pizzadilla. Serve with marinara sauce for dipping.

