

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE

LOCATION: Maastricht, the Netherlands oldest city, is located in the small “bootheel” projection of the Netherlands that sticks down between Belgium and Germany in the southeastern part of the country. The city is situated on the banks of the Meuse River, and elevations are some 375 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	8:30	9:59	11:51	13:48	15:31	16:27	16:03	14:34	12:42	10:46	9:01	8:03
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	1:29	2:24	3:29	4:51	6:12	6:27	6:08	5:47	4:37	3:23	1:48	1:17
AREA OF BLUE SKY	18%	18%	22%	28%	29%	29%	28%	29%	30%	28%	15%	16%
LOW FOR MONTH	15°	20°	24°	29°	36°	42°	46°	46°	40°	33°	25°	18°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	31°	31°	35°	39°	46°	51°	54°	54°	50°	44°	37°	33°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	40°	41°	48°	55°	63°	69°	72°	71°	66°	57°	47°	41°
HIGH FOR MONTH	51°	53°	62°	70°	77°	84°	87°	86°	79°	72°	60°	54°
FROSTY MORNINGS	49%	53%	32%	15%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%	22%	38%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	80%	72%	65%	58%	55%	57%	57%	57%	64%	69%	77%	81%
DRY DAYS	37%	45%	45%	47%	47%	43%	48%	48%	47%	45%	37%	39%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	75%	78%	76%	74%	74%	72%	75%	74%	73%	73%	70%	74%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.39	0.36	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.46	0.45	0.45	0.40	0.36	0.42	0.40
LIKELY SNOWFALL	16.6"	13.6"	11.1"	5.9"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	8.0"	11.7"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	29%	25%	19%	10%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	13%	19%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	2%	3%	5%	13%	17%	15%	15%	7%	3%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	20%	19%	16%	12%	9%	9%	7%	12%	15%	20%	20%	22%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 33% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 16% in December, to a high of 40% in May. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to 13° on some calm and clear winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 90° on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 3° cooler than actual ones during the warmer weather. Maastricht has the same temperate marine climate as the rest of northwestern Europe. Precipitation is adequate in all months, and is evenly distributed throughout the year. Summers are short and mild to warm—only rarely hot. Winters are long, cold and stormy; but not as cold as places farther inland. Spring and autumn are seasons of transition, with spells of summer-like weather and spells of winter-like weather alternation at intervals of from three to seven days. Snowfall is highly variable from place to place and year to year.