SYLSTERWEI

Lake for their migration to West Africa (Mauritania) feathers and odd-shaped bill. This bird nests on the SPOONBILL

Ursa Minor  is located with mythology.

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The brightest stars in this constellation are known as 'booming' - between March and June. Their dynamic nightlife!

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A walk along the Nije Faert near Esonstad. You can walk N355 3  NIJE FAERT of Lauwersoog harbour all lit up from the car park by Hoek

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DAYTIME AND NIGHTTIME MAP

LAUWERSMEER NATIONAL PARK

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You can go on walks with a forest ranger all year round. Have

extraordinary animals

The animals living in Lauwersmeer National Park make this surrounding area even more beautiful. Come and see them in their natural habitat!

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WHITE-TAILED EAGLE

The fact that a host of waders, waterfowl and shore birds are visiting Lauwersmeer is remarkable, given the amount of time and effort that has been spent on providing facilities for these birds in the form of hides, observation towers, vantage points and marinas. But Lauwersmeer is also a hotspot for white-tailed eagles, a species that is endangered in the Netherlands. The Lauwersmeer National Park is a true haven for these birds, which can be seen from March to June along the coastline near the Waddenzee or from the Eilandzoom viewpoint.

DECK PATH

A footpath along the coastline for hikers and cyclists, the Deck Path is a wonderful way to explore the Lauwersmeer National Park. The path is accessible from several points along the coastline and offers stunning views of the Wadden Sea.

FISHING

Lauwersmeer National Park is renowned for its birdlife, and ornithologists can sit in the hides and watch the many thousands of migrants and waders, and where the magnificent white-tailed eagle is the jewel in the crown. Nature lovers will have the time of their lives in this new wilderness, with rare flowers like orchids and bog stars growing on what used to be the sea bed, and Scottish Highland cattle and Konik horses grazing on the plains. This is a unique area which is easy to explore thanks to an extensive network of walking and cycling routes - or by water if you prefer. But that is not all. Visitors can go kitesurfing, windsurfing and boating just laze around on the beaches. There are enjoyable and educational activities for adults and children alike, with the wild Wadden Sea, a Unesco World Heritage Site, on the other side of the dyke. You can set out in a boat from Lauwersoog and collect oysters, spot seals or walk along the mud flats. Or enjoy some sustainablycaught fish in Lauwersoog or Zoutkamp. And Schiermonnikoog National Park is only 45 minutes away by boat too. Three magnificent nature reserves at such a short distance from each other... that's really something! And they really are amazing close together.

CYCLING

Lauwersmeer National Park is a paradise for cyclists. The Lauwersmeer National Park is one of the most beautiful places to cycle in the Netherlands, with a network of bicycle paths that connect the different areas of the park.

WALKS

Lauwersmeer National Park is a paradise for walkers. The Lauwersmeer National Park is one of the most beautiful places to walk in the Netherlands, with a network of walking paths that connect the different areas of the park.

HET ROOZE WIJF MUSEUM MARINA

A number of artistic statues are on display and waiting to be admired at the Museum Marina. There are seven walking routes that can be accessed from the marina. You can walk on the lead or where, regretfully, they are not allowed. You can find a reserve telling you where your dog can run free, where dogs have to be on a lead or where, regretfully, they are not allowed. You can find a reserve telling you where your dog can run free,

BIRDS

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