

Placements in the Netherlands.



1. For a **dairy company** we are looking for a trainee who is interested in a training for 3 months to a maximum of a year. Preferable start in May/ June, but later is also okay. The company is run by a family at the eastern side of the Netherlands. They have about 150 cows and 110 young stock. They have 100 ha and have a tandem milking parlour. They have had trainees for many years and enjoy meeting different people and cultures.

2. A **recreational company** in the centre of the Netherlands is looking for two trainees for the summer period. Starting May until October or somewhere in between. Some details about the company: they have 0.5 ha Apple orchard, berries, flowers and rhubarb. A children farm: 10 youngstock, 1 goat and 10 poultry, 300m² pumpkins and herbs. The company is located in the middle of a bicycle and hiking route in 't Groene Hart'.

"The Groene Hart is characterized by its rural character which contrasts the urban areas around it. Agriculture, nature and recreation are the primary activities in the Groene Hart, where residents and urban visitors can often find rest and many green spaces."

This company has a canoe rental, a terrace and have a stand on a weekly market with their homemade jams and more. In other words, enough to do and to see.

The student will help with almost all activities, including some cooking, gardening, serving on the terrace and more.

3. For a company specialized in **breeding and wholesale of lilies** we are looking for a trainee for three months starting in May 2015. They are situated in the province North-Holland. The student will do a training at the breeding department.

These are some of the training goals possible at this company:

- To get to know a lot of different aspects of growing lily flowers and breeding lilies. During the period of her visit, a great part of the plants in our greenhouses will be flowering and a lot of crossings will be made.
- To learn the process from a crossing to a variety.
- To learn to work independently, efficiently and practically.
- To understand the technical installations on the company.
- To understand how to run a breeding department and planning of flowering.
- To get a picture of the marketing of the products.
- To get to know the Dutch culture.

If you would like to do a training at this company in another period, please contact us for more options.

4. A **commercial potted plants nursery** in the province Brabant is looking for a trainee. This company grows several varieties of potted plants such as Aglaonema, Begonia Tamaya, Codiaeum, Euphorbia tirucallii, Pandanus and Schefflera and has many contacts in the USA. They have a second location in Costa Rica. A trainee can learn a lot about the cultivation, the marketing, sales and more.

5. A **commercial potted plants nursery** located in the glasshouse area of Westland is looking for a trainee for 3 months, starting the middle of May. The company grows Scindapsus (10.000m²), Curcuma (6.000m²), Zamioculcas (6.000m²). The company is run by two enthusiastic brothers in law and is very modern.

6. A **commercial potted plants nursery**, located in the glasshouse area of Westland is looking for a male trainee, min. 1.70 meter. The training can start asap and last for 6-9 months. The company grows Saintpaulia's, has 14000m² and is fully automatized with modern management. There is a close group of colleagues in the company. The company is run by a nice couple.

7. A **tree nursery** in Boskoop area is looking for a male trainee. There will be a trainee already in this company until August. The company grows climbers (0.16 Ha), potted hydrangea (0.2 Ha), lavendula (0.2 Ha), and a variety of smaller plants. The total size of the company is 11000m², mainly outdoors, 0.15 Ha glasshouse. The company is run by a nice couple.

8. A **pig company** in the south of the country is offering a placement for somebody who is interested and enthusiastic. They offer Bed & Breakfast and have a **pig sight stable** with Luftwasser system, around 300 sows, 2000 porkers. Trainees should be interested, which is more important than knowledge. Willingness to learn something about the Dutch culture and to teach the host something about the trainee's culture is appreciated. The family has 4 sons in the age of 21-26.

9. A **pig farm** in the south is offering a placement to a trainee who is specifically interested in their type of company. They have 4000 fattening pigs which they feed with wet feed and dry feed. For the wet feed installation they use rest products from f.e. the potato- and wheat processing industry. They grow maize for the pigs, sugarbeets and asparagus.

10. A **mixed farm** in the eastern part of the country is offering a training placement for a very open, social and talkative person. This company combines their **dairy** and pigs farm with the **touristic activities**, including a fair, a museum, the folly forest and group activities. The company has 140 milking cows, 2200 porkers; grasslands (35 Ha), maize (15 Ha) Herringbone milking parlor (2 x 7), automatic feeding installation, modern pig pen (wet feeding). The company is run by a young girl with her parents.

11. A mixed farm (**dairy and pigfarm**) with 70 milking cows, 330 sows, 10 ha maize, 20 ha grassland, 8 ha barley, 12 stands herringbone milking parlor, is offering a training in the summer period for a male trainee from Europe. The company is run by 2 brothers who both live on the premises with their families.

12. A **dairy company** in the eastern part of the country is offering a training placement for an English speaking, very social boy from Europe in the Spring/Summer. The company is run by a couple and they are very active in the local social life. They have 80 milking cows, 100 young stock, grassland 36 ha, maize 15 ha and a free stall barn, milking parlor (2 x 6 herringbone)

13. A **dairy and cheesemaking** farm in the middle of the country is offering a placement from March 2015. The company produces Gouda cheese (natural, with herbs, garlic, mustard etc.) cream cheese, milk, feta. They produce 120.000kg cheese per year. They also have a shop and gallery on their premises. The trainee should speak English, interested in the Dutch culture, the family and of course the company.

14. A modern **arable and field vegetable farm** in the middle of the country is offering a placement for max. 3 months to a boy from Europe, Canada, USA or Australia between the end of March and the end of November. The company has ware potatoes (235 Ha), seed onions (125 Ha), sugar beets (210 Ha), peas (30Ha), winter wheat (160 ha), beans (9 ha), witlof / chicorei (24 ha), winter carrots (27 ha), various (24 ha)

15. An **organic arable and beef cattle farm** in the middle of the country is offering a placement for somebody who is experienced and social, interested, communicative, and active (energetic). Crops: ware potatoes (12 Ha), wheat (36 Ha), seed potatoes (6 Ha), onions (8 Ha), sweet corn (5 Ha), broccoli (6 Ha), green peas (7 ha), cabbage (2 Ha). Animals: 60 suckling cows, 1 dog. All necessary mechanization (shared with the neighbors).

16. An **arable farm** in the middle of the country is offering a placement to a boy (not from Russia) who has experience and is willing to make work in the arable sector in the future. Crops: Sweet potatoes 60 HA, onions, 16 HA, sugar beets 11 HA, Wheat 3 HA, chicory 2 HA, grass seed 13 HA, carrots, 6 HA, barley 3 HA

17. A **retail oriented flowercompany** with 60Ha Brassica, Sunflowers, Phlox 45Ha Peonies is offering two training placements to boys this summer. From August onwards, he is also offering 2 placement for boys or girls. You need to be proactive, show interest, willing to learn.

18. An **arable farm** in the north of the country is offering a placement for a boy. You can start in April/May or in July and stay until November. The company has 135 ha of seed potatoes, sugarbeets, grain, onions, winter carrots. This company is perfect for somebody who is very interested and who has many questions.

19. A **dairy company with robot milking** in the south of offering a training placement to a girl, starting in July, who can ride a tractor. The company has grasslands (29 Ha), maize (11 Ha), 70 milking cows, 60 young cattle.

20. An **organic arable and field vegetable company** in the Flevopolder with grasslands (30 Ha), herbs (4 Ha), potatoes (4 Ha), onions, garlic and seedcrops, 30 cows, young cattle, beef cattle is looking for a trainee from May until October / November. Preferably a girl but if a boy is interested,

this is possible as well. The company is located in the polder and the soil gives good quality products. The arable crop is their main focus, beefcattle, energy and seedcrops are on the side. Together with a fruitgrower, vegetable grower and dairy farmer they started a webshop to get their biological products as fresh as possible at the consumers. Recently they restructured part of their land as the railway was planned there. This offered many options to make a walking path, a hill for bats etc.

21. An **organic mixed company** in the eastern part of the country is offering a placement from July onwards. You should have an interest in taking care of the animals, feeding the animals, milking cows, making silage, planting, harvesting vegetables, tractor work etc. The company has 65 milking cows + 40 young stock, 70 ha grass, 12 ha for grain and potatoes, different kinds of vegetables grown in small amounts, f.e. lettuce, spinach, beans. Small shop at farm where they sell their own products.

22. A **dairy with cheesemaking company** is offering a placement from September 2014 onwards. The company produces Gouda and Edammer cheese which they sell in their shop. They have 50 cows and 30 youngstock.

23. A couple in the south of the country is offering a placement to a girl. It is a **mixed company with arable crop and young stock**. The company is a partnership between two brothers. Both brothers and their wives live on the farm. The training can start asap. You should be familiar with the way of life of a farmer.

24. An **organic company** in the south is offering a placement to a male trainee, preferably starting in Spring but later is also possible. The company is since 1999 based on ecological system.

Crops: wheat (20 Ha), grass-clover (10 Ha), cabbage (2 Ha), turnip-rooted celery (2 Ha), Sweet turnip (3 Ha), ware potatoes (12 Ha), carrots (5 Ha), witloof chicory (2 Ha), onions (4 Ha), grasslands (2 Ha), grass seeds (8 Ha), Beetroot (1,5 Ha) Ramanas (0,5). Pumpkin, Animals: beef cattle (50.) Trainee should be enthusiastic and have a tractor license.

25. A **lily and sunflower company** is offering a training placement to a male trainee starting in April. The company is owned by two brothers. It is a small family owned company with a lot of contact and interaction. In one location they grow sunflowers outside, in the other location, they grow lilies in a glasshouse. You will be here together with a trainee from South Korea.

26. A **dairy and cheese-making farm** where there are also some pigs and sheep (all are organic) is offering a placement to a female trainee. You can start anytime. A previous trainee wrote: *They are real golden family, like you said in the beginning. They are easy to contact, we can understand each other's needs, they were able to tell me a lot about cheese, biological farms and of course about Holland, I will miss them, and I can easily say that a student who will be in their family will be the happiest in this program.*

27. A **modern dairy company with Lily milkrobot** in the south is offering a placement in the summer for a boy. They have 110 milking cows, 80 head of young cattle. 14 Ha corn, grass seed, wheat

28. A **dairy / breeding company** with 260 milking cows and 260 head of young stock, milking robot with 4 automatic systems is offering a placement from June onwards to a boy/girl who is not from Eastern Europe.

29. A **horticultural company specialized in flower bulbs and cutflowers** is offering a training placement to a trainee who is motivated and very energetic. The company is owned by a very social and active family with 4 children (age 25-18).

30. A **horticultural glasshouse vegetable company** is offering training placements yearround. The company was founded in 1991 where they started at a rather small plot of land. Nowadays the enterprise consists of separate units on different locations. Management system available for trainee . Not completely ecological but uses buds to prevent the crops from diseases. Produces in a sustainable way environmental friendly peppers and produces products the market demands. They grow and pack the Spanish peppers for a supermarket in Sweden and the long peppers are for Scandinavia and Great Britain. The son of the owner is also working in the company. You will always be with other trainees.

31. A **livestock company with furred animals** (fox, mink) is offering a placement to an interested boy/girl. The company has two locations.

32. An **arable and field vegetable company** is offering a placement to a boy in the fall and winter. They grow Crops: wheat (21 Ha), maize (9 Ha), potatoes (22 Ha), onions (4 Ha), Brussels sprouts (65 Ha), fallow (3 Ha). The rest of the land has been rented out.

33. A **ornamental horticultural company that produces cutflowers** in a glasshouse is offering a placement from September onwards. They grow Lily, Celosia, Euphorbia on 14000m². The company is located in the famous Westland area.

34. This **tree nursery** is a young, modern and dynamic company which is about 6 hectares. The team exists of five enthusiastic employees and they grow about 1 million potted plants every year. Maintenance is put out to contractor. Plants: Cytisus (2.5 Ha), Hydrangea (0.5 Ha), Berberis (0.5 Ha) Gaulterias 1 ha. They offer a placement from September onwards.

35. A closed **pig farm** in the Barneveld, the area that is famous for pigs and chickens, is offering a placement. You should be enthusiastic and interested and need to have some theoretical knowledge about pigs. He like you to stay for at least 6 months. The company has 400 stockpigs 3500 meat pigs, stud pigs

36. A **transport company** located a the auction is offering a placement to a trainee who is interested in the transport of horticultural products. This company has locations at several auctions and do the transport to and from the auction.

37. A small **nursery** in the West of the Netherlands about 40 kilometers north of Amsterdam is offering a training placement for 3 to 10 months to a male trainee. The company grows succulents in two glasshouses at two different locations.

38. A **dairy company** in the west of the Netherlands, about 30 kilometers north of Amsterdam is offering a training placement from September onwards. The company has 90 milking cows, 65 head of young cattle, 70 sheep, 40 ha grassland, 10 ha for bulbs and potatoes (rented) free stall barn, and a 2x5 herringbone milking system. They just built a new barn. The company is owned by a young couple.

39. A **dairy company** in Friesland is offering a training placement to a boy or girl from September onwards. The company has 160 milk cows, 150 young stock and a free stall barn with 26 stands carousel milking parlor.

40. A **dairy and cheesemaking** company in the western part of the country is offering a placement from April onwards. The company has 35 milking cows, 12 head of young cattle 20 sheep, 120 goats, 60 head of poultry, 50 fattening pigs. The company produces cheese, yoghurt, milk, butter etc. which is sold at the farm. The cheese is made of cow milk and goat milk. The farm also has a restaurant, they organize group activities, there is a boat rental, and a camping. This is a very active company with many visitors every day. You will be working with a group of about 25 people, also with other trainees.

41. A mechanized **flower bulb company** is offering a placement to a boy . The company produces bulbs on 6,5 ha / bulb flowers ± 900.000

42. A **cut flower / tree nursery** is offering a placement from asap until October, for 3 months or longer. The company grows shrubs for forcing, hydrangea, ilex and viburnum (7 ha). We store the flowers in a cold storage and bring the flowers to the auction ourselves. We sort and bundle the flowers ourselves. They are all sold via Flower Auction Aalsmeer. You do not see forcing shrubs in many other countries but you might learn things that can be applied to other varieties as well.

43. An **organic fruit company** in the province of Zeeland is offering a training placement for 3 months between April and October to a motivated and communicative trainee. The company grows 1.5 ha apples (elstar, ingridmarie, cox), 0.5 ha plums, 0.4 ha gooseberry, 0.4 ha blackberries, 0.5 ha berries and raspberries. In the summer there are 10-20 young people working in the company. The owner developed the company himself and now it is one of the most developed companies in the Netherlands.

44. A **grower of garlic** is offering a training placement for a girl. This company is the only company in the Netherlands where garlic is grown and processed into ready to use products for restaurants and consumers. The company is very active in direct sales.

45. A **mixed arable and dairy farm** with 120 cows (milk), sheep, 270 ewes and 3 horses is offering a placement to a motivated trainee from August onwards who is able to drive a tractor. The family has four children. It is a modern company, they are willing to tell a lot about farming in the Netherlands, own 3 horses for riding and are located near a forest and swimming water.

46. A **dairy and cheese making** company in the province Groningen is offering a placement to a girl from Eastern Europe. You can start asap. The company has 100 milking cows, 60 young cattle, and a herringbone (50 degr) milking parlor 2x8. A part of the milk is used for producing real farmer cheese, which is sold in the own shop, but most often via other farm shops and on markets. The husband is doing he work with the cows, the wife is making cheese 3-5 days a week.

47. A young family is offering a training placement on their **modern dairy farm** to a girl from March/ April until October. The company has 60 milking cows, 60 young cattle, 40 sheep, 3 Ha grass, 7 Ha corn, for rent 5 Ha bulbs.

48. An **ornamental horticultural company** specialized in the growth of alstroemeriacut flowers is offering 2 training placements to boys from Brazil/ Spain etc. The company is run by a brother and sister, is 66000m2. This family has three companies in total.

49. A **livestock company** with 600 **sheep** is offering a training placement from May until August. This is an open minded company with a lot of variation in the work. Also little mini camping.

50. A **horticultural company** in Noord Brabant, close to Roosendaal is offering a placement for three months between February and October. The company grows **cucumbers** on Rockwool.

51. The largest **tree nursery** of the Netherlands with the best mechanization is offering a training placement to an EU trainee who is highly interested and for sure will make a career in the tree nursery business. Almost all activities, maintenance and transport included, are organized by the company itself.

52. A **horticultural family owned company** with several greenhouses (10 ha) is offering a training placement from June onwards to a trainee who has many interests. The company grows cucumbers (indoor 2,2 ha), peonies (outdoors, 3, ha), geraniums, chrysanthemum and Christmas stars/ Poinsettias (3,8 ha), Conifers (outdoors 0,5 ha). They sell directly to customers to when they have many orders, a lot needs to be done.

53. An **ornamental horticultural company** in the Westland area is offering a training placement from April onwards. They grow chrysanthemum on 4 ha. They are looking for a motivated, English speaking, practical and dynamic person who is used to work with flowers.

54. A **cut flower company** with Tulip, Matthiola, Trachelium, Antirrhinum on 2 ha, is offering a training placement in May-June-July for a person who speaks English, and who is enthusiastic and willing to learn, motivated, socially and likes to work with your hands.

55. A **tree nursery** in the south is interested in offering a placement to a motivated and interested boy.

56. An **arable & field vegetable farm** in the middle of the country is offering a placement from April until the end of October. The company grows 41 ha wheat, 31 ha sugar beets, 15 seed potatoes, 15 consumption potatoes, 14 ha red onions, 7 ha sprouts, 2,6 ha parsley, 3 ha carrots, 0,1 ha parsnip, 6 ha onions. Motivation and the will to learn and ask questions are very important. A trainee can learn a lot here as this is not an average company arable farm. They have a fashion shop as well and do storage for others

57. A **mixed - dairy with cheese making & recreation** (camping) is offering a training placement/ They have 35 milking cows, 30 young cattle
17 ha grass land, 2 ha maize. It is a small company. They make cheese and sell it at the company. Furthermore, they give workshops cheese making and cooking as they also have a cook studio. Besides this, they have a small camping with 35 places. They offer excursions and farmer's golf as well..

58. A **cut flower company** that produces chrysanthemum year-round is offering a placement for a girl, starting in August for 3 months.

59. A **potted plant company** in Westland area is offering a 3 month placement in the fall for a Brazilian trainee. The company grows potted roses.

A **horticultural company** in Westland area that produces **tomatoes** on 1.1 ha is offering a placement to a boy starting in April for 6 months. The company is run by two enthusiastic brothers who are very interested in learning you all.

A **modern international oriented pig farm**, one of the leading companies in the Netherlands offers a training placement for 6-8 months to a very interested trainee. The company has 450 sows, 1500 gilts, 1500 fattening pigs, two other locations with 1200 sows en 1600 sows.

60. An **organic arable and field vegetables company** in the north is offering 2 placements from June onwards. The company grows 12 Ha Wheat, 10 Ha seed potatoes, 15 Ha broccoli, 3 Ha sprout cabbage, 4 Ha onions , 6 Ha carrot. They work with GPS system on their tractors and they have different machines for selective weed control. The company is looking for a cheerful person, with driver's license and preferable has experience in driving a tractor and fork machine.

61. An **Arable & Field vegetables company** with 25 Ha Endive, 17,5 Ha Leek, 9 Ha Celery, 4 Ha Sugar beet is offering a training placement for an EU student. They also produce ready to use, pre packed portions of celery. The daughter and son of the owners are very active in the company.

62. A **modern pig farm** with good results is offering a training placement to a motivated trainee who has an interest in agriculture. The company has 900 store pigs and 1100 fattening pigs

63. A **potted plants company** with Hoya's is offering a placement from February onwards. They have a small company, very personalized with various activities in a nice part of the Netherlands. The company is looking for somebody who is precise, hygienic, flexible and with a good motivation.

64. A **potato cultivation and research company** is offering a placement. If you are interested in the agricultural part, preferably in breeding, there is a placement available between March and October. If you do a laboratory study plants / molecular biology, you can do a year-round training. .

65. A **dairy with 280 milking cows and 220 young stock**. 80 ha grassland, 40 ha corn is offering a training placement to a trainee who is enthusiastic, willing to learn, independent, non-smoker. You need to be able to drive a tractor, have a super interest in dairy as this is a leading company in the Netherlands.

66. A **mixed company** with 100 milkingcows and 60 young stock and 95 ha land (21 ha for dairy and 12 ha maize, 9 ha wheat; 18 ha potato, 9 ha sugarbeet, 15 ha onions, 6 ha carrots, 14 ha wheat, 21 ha rented out or tulips) is looking for a social, active, well English speaking girl who would like to stay in the summer. The daughter of the family is 16 and likes to improve her English. The family is located in the province Flevoland.

Besides these specific places we have several other options available! We have placements in **arable, field vegetables, vegetables under glass, fruit, livestock, dairy and cheese making**. And of course we also have many possibilities in **horticultural ornamental companies, tree nurseries, breeding** and more. So if you are looking for something different then the placements described above, let us know as well!