



# For heavy lift & project cargo of any size



Port of  
Rotterdam

## Rotterdam, your world-class port

**Deep water, spacious port basins, specialist service providers and unrivalled European connections along the Rhine and Maas rivers: there is no better port for heavy lift & project cargo. Each year about one million tonnes of specialist cargo are efficiently transported through Rotterdam.**

### OPTIMAL ACCESSIBILITY

Rotterdam is located directly on the North Sea coast. With water depths of up to 23 metres, even the biggest ships can enter and leave the port in all conditions. What's more, the port has no locks to restrict traffic. However large they are, ships with heavy lift & project cargoes are welcome in Rotterdam 24 hours a day in one of the many spacious port basins. Whether it concerns semi-submersibles from the offshore industry, NATO systems or ships with industrial turbines, locomotives or large steel structures on board, the port's high-quality nautical services guarantee safe and efficient handling of shipping.

### POPULAR AND FREQUENTLY SEEN SHIPPING LINES

Specialist shipping lines that frequently use the port of Rotterdam are:

- Jumbo Shipping
- BigLift
- Spliethoff
- Chipolbrok
- SAL
- Beluga

### DEDICATED SERVICE PROVIDERS

A number of specialized heavy lift & project cargo companies are based in the port. Broekman Project Services in *Waalhaven*, for example, has large sheds up to 23 metres high,



and heavy-duty overhead cranes with a maximum lifting capacity of 750 tonnes. The terminal provides space not only for handling and storage, but also for assembly activities and suchlike that take more time. The RHB terminal in *Waalhaven*, with a 780-metre long quay and cranes with a maximum lifting capacity of 203 tonnes, is in fact highly suitable for handling and storing heavy lift & project cargo of considerable length.

The various multi-purpose terminals too in the port are excellently equipped to handle heavy lift & project cargo. Examples are DFDS Multi Terminal, C. Steinweg - Handelsveem and J.C. Meijers. The RoRo terminals (see separate factsheet) and container terminals in Rotterdam also know just how to handle large and heavy items in the most effective and efficient way.

## UNIQUE FLEET OF FLOATING SHEERLEGS

A major advantage of Rotterdam is the permanent availability of a large fleet of floating cranes. These cranes have a lifting capacity varying from 130 to 1600 tonnes. Available from among several suppliers - SMIT, Bonn & Mees, GPS, Mammoet Maritime - precisely the right floating cranes are available for each heavy lift job.

### Floating cranes and lifting capacity

#### Smit

- Taklift 4: max 1600 tonnes
- Taklift 6: max 1200 tonnes
- Taklift 7: max 1200 tonnes
- Taklift 1: max 800 tonnes

#### Bonn & Mees

- Matador 3: max 1500 tonnes
- Matador 2: max 400 tonnes
- Matador: max 400 tonnes

#### Mammoet Maritime

- Amsterdam: max 300 tonnes
- Phoenix: max 160 tonnes
- Gazelle: max 130 tonnes

#### GPS

- Apollo: max 400 tonnes
- Atlas: max 400 tonnes
- Ajax: max 300 tonnes

## INLAND SHIPPING OUR TRUMP CARD

Rotterdam's trump card for handling heavy lift & project cargo efficiently to and from Europe is the port's strategic location at the mouth of the Rhine and Maas rivers. Inland vessels are the ideal modality for transporting large and heavy items to and from locations in the Netherlands, Germany, Belgium, France, Switzerland and beyond.

## POOLING OUR KNOWHOW

And last but not least, Rotterdam is also a knowledge centre for heavy lift & project cargo. Each job is different, each assignment a new challenge. All service providers have well-trained and highly experienced specialists. They guarantee with the utmost care and precision that your cargo will be handled safely and efficiently. There are also plenty of additional services available in and around the port, such as companies specializing in industrial packaging.

## THE PORT OF ROTTERDAM AUTHORITY: WORKING TOGETHER ON A WORLD-CLASS PORT

The Port of Rotterdam Authority is the proactive manager of the port area. Together with our clients, we aim to create the best possible conditions for a sustainable and successful cluster for heavy lift & project cargo.

Our Breakbulk Business Desk can help you with all your questions about specialists in the port that are active in heavy lift & project cargo, the many options for efficient hinterland transport by inland shipping, and suchlike. With all the knowledge and experience we have brought together here, as well as our extensive network in and outside the port, we will be pleased to help you on your way.



## PORT OF ROTTERDAM AUTHORITY

The aim of the Port of Rotterdam Authority is to enhance the port of Rotterdam's competitive position as a logistics hub and world-class industrial complex. Not only in terms of size, but also quality. The core tasks of the Port Authority are to develop, manage and run the port in a sustainable way and to maintain a speedy and safe service for shipping.

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