



a beautiful mess

AMSTERDAM

A BEAUTIFUL MESS

A MEETING PLACE FOR EVERYONE

A Beautiful Mess is a meeting place in the heart of the city featuring a restaurant overlooking the IJ, a kitchen for cooking workshops, an event space for art, film, and parties, and meeting rooms for business gatherings.

At A Beautiful Mess, everyone shares the same goal: preparing and serving food and drinks in a safe place with a friendly atmosphere. Dutch lessons are offered and individuals reintegrate into a work routine, potentially leading to further education or employment elsewhere. We hope everyone feels at home here as much as we do.

WHAT WE OFFER

- A restaurant serving dishes from all over the world, prepared with love
- An event space, workshop kitchen and meeting rooms
- People who sought refuge in The Netherlands co-create with those who have always lived here

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#TOUCHED LIVES

291 JOBS

493 PARTICIPANTS

5.000 COMMUNITIES

80.000 VISITORS

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FLOOR PLAN OF OUR SPACES

Book a meeting room for a brainstorming session, off-site meeting, workshop, or training. Looking to make a grander statement? Book our event hall for conferences, lectures, accompanied by a lively cocktail hour or after-party. In our separate kitchen, we conduct cooking workshops or host exclusive dinners for colleagues, clients, friends, or family. The possibilities are extensive, so get in touch with us; we gladly think along with you in terms of possibilities.



COOKING STUDIO

workshops, meetings
& private dining
35 pax
66 m²

*1/2 day €650
full day €950*

MEETING ROOM 2

15 pax
16m²

*1/2 day €345
full day €545*

MEETING ROOM 1

20 pax
20m²

*1/2 day €395
full day €595*

EVENT SPACE

presentations, parties,
conferences, performances
100 seated
150 standing
102m²

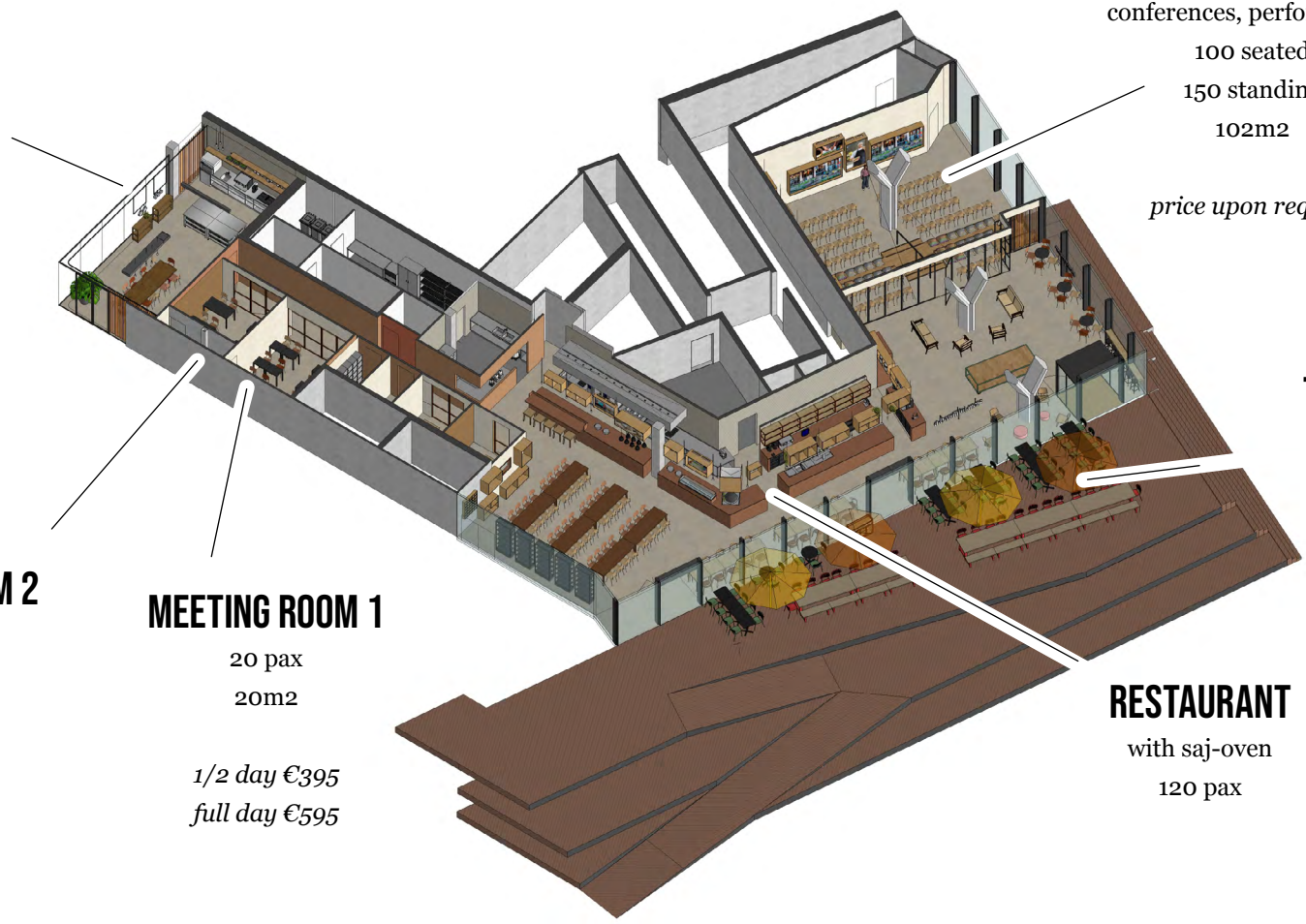
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TERRACE

with view
100 pax

RESTAURANT

with saj-oven
120 pax



EVENT SPACE

CAPACITY: 100 SEATED OR 150 STANDING | PRICE UPON REQUEST.

Welcome to our bright and spacious event space, featuring screens, seating areas, and optional tables and chairs. Whether you're planning a business event, workshop, conference, community gathering, or celebration, our versatile layout ensures flexibility to suit your needs.



MEETING ROOMS

MEETING ROOM 1: CAPACITY 20 PAX | PRICE 1/2 DAY, €395 FULL DAY €595

MEETING ROOM 2: CAPACITY 15 PAX | PRICE 1/2 DAY, €345 FULL DAY €545

We're happy to rent out the rooms where our employees receive Dutch lessons. These spaces come with screens, chairs, and tables, all of which can be arranged to suit your needs. We're flexible and ready to work together with you, to ensure the setup meets your requirements.



MEETING ROOM 1



MEETING ROOM 2

COOKING STUDIO

CAPACITY: PAX 35 | PRICE: 1/2 DAY €650, FULL DAY €950

Step into our inviting kitchen, where fantastic private events flourish. Whether it's meetings, intimate dinners, or inspiring workshops, our space effortlessly adapts to every occasion. With amenities like projectors and screens for presentations and the flexibility to accommodate large groups or small gatherings, there's no better place to host your next event.



COOKING WORKSHOPS

Discover the art of preparing traditional Middle Eastern flatbread, refined patisserie, or other delicious dishes guided by experienced chefs who reveal the secrets of these traditions. In addition to learning cooking techniques, the workshops are a social occasion where participants can share their passion for food. The joint meal set up creates a lively atmosphere, allowing participants to not only explore new flavors but also forge new friendships.



COOKING WORKSHOPS

BREAD AND MEZZE

Get your hands in the flour and make flatbread baked in front of you on the saaj. Not on bread alone a woman or a man shall live, learn to prepare some delightful Middle Eastern dips.

10-20 PEOPLE
€65,- PP
DURATION 3 HOURS

SWEET TREATS

Rosewater, orange blossom and pistachios are all indigenous to the Levant, and have been part of the cuisine for about thousand years. Come experiment and learn how to create desserts, pastries and cakes.

10-12 PEOPLE
€55,- PP
DURATION 3 HOURS

WORLD ON A PLATE

A workshop where we explore the traditional culinary arts of different cultures by cooking various dishes from our menu. Let our chefs guide you, and enjoy the fantastic dinner. A culinary experience never to be forgotten.

All workshops include one free drink. The fridge is stocked with delicious drinks and can be paid for afterwards.

10-20 PEOPLE
€75,- PP
DURATION 1/2 DAY



AUDIO TOUR AND STORYTELLING

2-150 PEOPLE | DURATION TO BE DETERMINED

Embark on an enlightening journey with our audio tour and customized keynotes, exploring the heart and soul of “A Beautiful Mess” and its partner organization, the Refugee Company. Delving deep into our stories and the ethos of our social enterprises, we uncover the ‘why’, ‘how’, and “what” behind our initiatives, empowering you to make a difference in the world.

Price upon request

CONNECTION CAFE

ONCE A MONTH | UP TO 50 PEOPLE

In the Netherlands there are 140 shelters where around 50.000 people live to wait until their asylum procedure is finished. Sometimes they wait for more than two years. Once a month we organise a connection cafe, where people can meet and connect with new faces. Residents of the asylum center come for dinner with music and fun games. You are more than welcome to join.

Our newsletter - sign up at the top of our [website](#) - and our [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#) pages will keep you updated on our community cafés.





MENU FOR GROUPS

SHARING IS CONNECTING

In our restaurant, everything revolves around sharing: we eat, drink together and share stories about our daily lives. A Beautiful Mess has a colorful menu full of ‘mezze,’ small dishes based on recipes originating from the different countries represented by our staff. Levantine and Mediterranean cuisine, as well as dishes from Eritrea, Ukraine and Pakistan. Choosing is not obligatory: we have our ‘A Beautiful Mess’ menu, featuring all our tastiest dishes. b’Saha! (Enjoy your meal!)

A BEAUTIFUL LUNCH BREAK

€24,95

Rolled flatbreads, soup, salad, 1 side, vegetables and homemade lemonade.

A SIMPLE LUNCH BREAK

€17,50

Soup, rolled flatbreads and homemade lemonade.

FLATBREAD TO GO

€9,50

Freshly made flatbread baked on the saj, filled with vegetables, herbs, and your choice of spreads.

SWEETS

€7,50 PP

A selection of our homemade sweets such as muffins or filled dates.

SNACKS

€7,50 PP

A selection of three of our homemade snacks such as falafel, kibbeh or borek.

FRUIT BASKET

€30,-

20 pieces

COFFEE, TEA AND WATER

1/2 DAY €9,- PP

All coffee and tea will be served in cans.

DINNER

Click here for our latest menu

RESTAURANT MENU

BUFFET

€37,50 PP

- Starter: bread and dip, soup and salad.
- Main course also available as an option with meat or fish.
- A selection of sweets.
- Drinks: based on actual consumption.



MAKING GREAT DRINKS
HAS BEEN THE START OF
MY JOURNEY OF FUN AND
FRIENDSHIP HERE

Lamin, your friendly barista



IMPORTANT NOTES

- All prices are exclusive of VAT, except for food and drinks.
- In all workshops we include one free drink (homemade lemonade).
- The price for the two meeting rooms always includes basic AV equipment.
- Prices for the event space and workshop kitchen are available on request.

TIME SLOTS ARE DIVIDED AS FOLLOWS

- 08:30 - 18:00 (full day)
- 08:30 - 13:00 (morning only)
- 13:30 - 18:00 (afternoon only)
- 18:30 - 23:00 (evening only)



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