

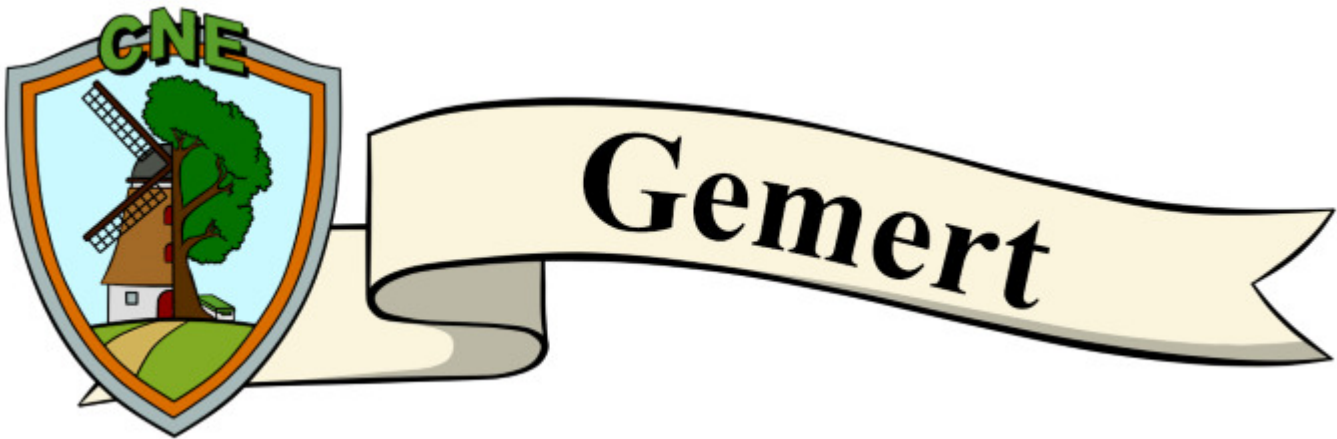
 **[CNE25] Farmers' Union - The basket making industry**

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Difficulty: ★★★★★  
Terrain: ★★★★★Size:  (Small)**Long Description****This cache is part of CNE 2025**

CNE stands for the culture and nature event. The event took place on March 22, 2025 in Gemert. More information about CNE can be found at: [www.cultuurennatuurevent.nl](http://www.cultuurennatuurevent.nl)

With this event and these caches we want to show everyone all the beauty that Gemert and surroundings have to offer in terms of culture and nature. We wish you as an organization a lot of fun with these caches!

**BvVeen, Tedonus, Pc\_Queen, Flash! en TeamThoroCatchers**

**[CNE25] Farmers' Union - The basket making industry**

A basketry was a craft workshop where skilled workers made baskets and other wickerwork products from natural materials such as wicker, rattan, reed or straw. This craft was often practiced in families and was an important part of the local economy, especially in rural areas.

Process of basket weaving

**Preparing the Materials**

The most common raw material was wicker, which had to be harvested and then soaked in water for a while to make it pliable.

**The Wickerwork**

The basket maker began with a sturdy base, usually round or rectangular. Next, the bars (vertical supports) were placed and the wicker was tightly woven around them.

**Finishing**

The rim of the basket was reinforced, and sometimes handles or a lid were added. Some basket makers treated the finished product with oil or varnish for extra durability.

Applications of baskets

Baskets were used for a variety of purposes, such as:

**Agriculture:** Transport of vegetables, fruit and eggs

**Household:** Laundry baskets, shopping baskets

**Trade:** Transport of fish, bread or other goods

**Animal care:** Carrying baskets for pigeons and dogs

### Basket making as a profession

Many basket makers worked independently or in small workshops. In some areas, cooperatives were formed where basket makers worked together to handle larger orders. In larger cities and towns, there were specialized basket shops where people could have their baskets custom-made. With the advent of industrial materials such as plastic, the demand for handmade baskets began to decline after 1950, but the craft lives on today, especially in craft and decorative applications.

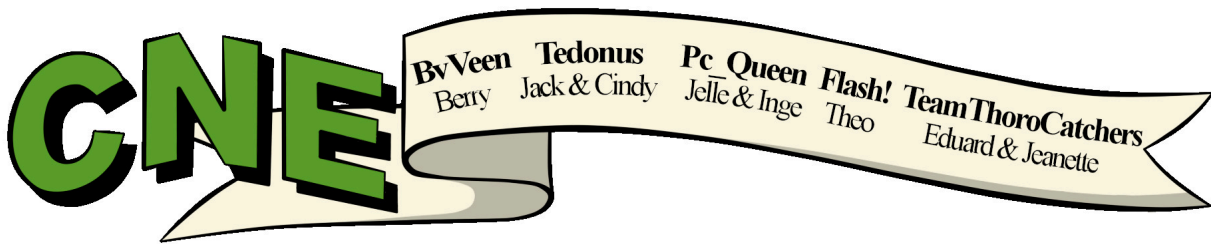
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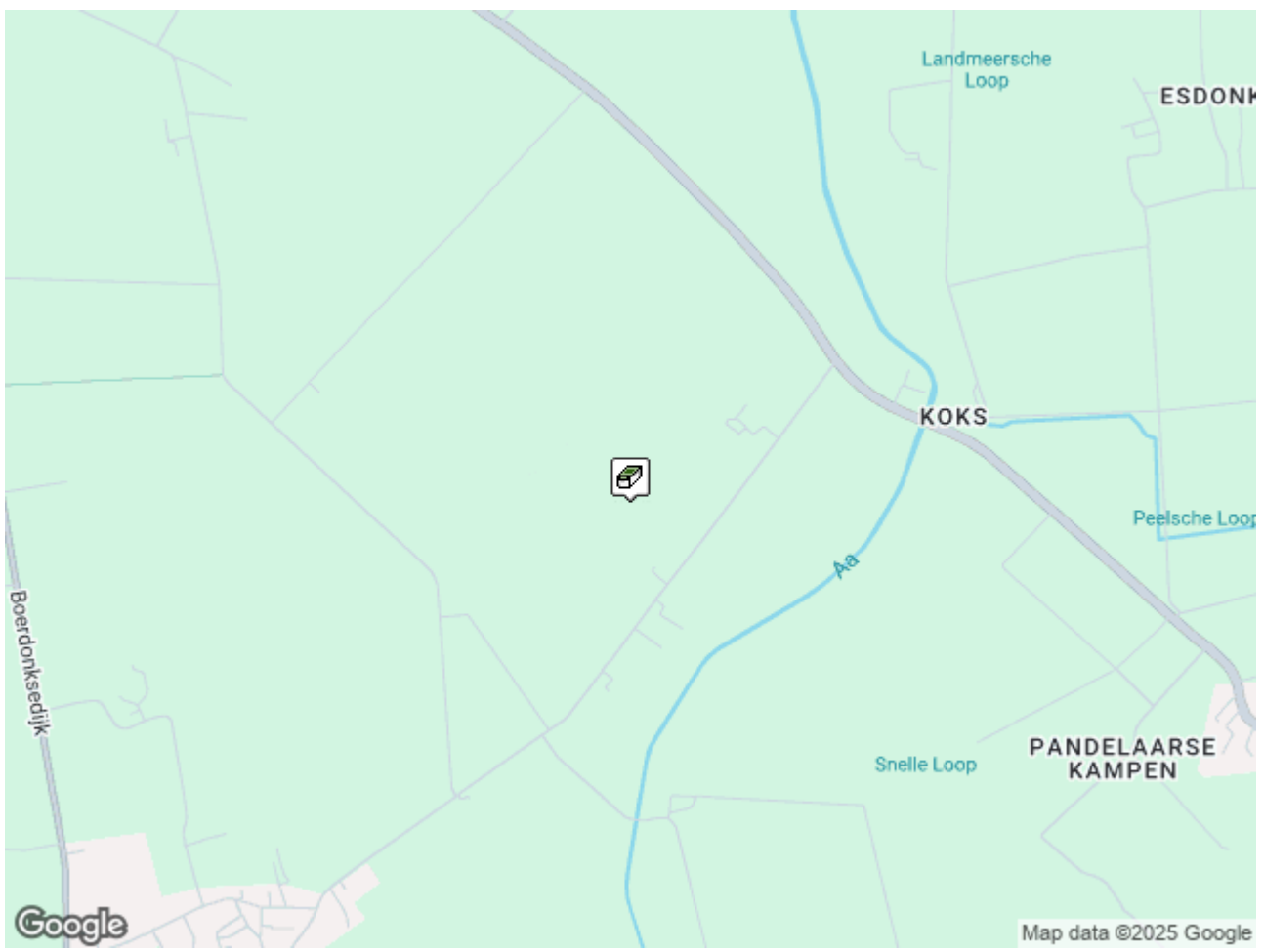
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Thorns nearby, Not wheelchair accessible, Recommended for tourists, Food nearby, Recommended for kids, 1 km–10 km hike

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