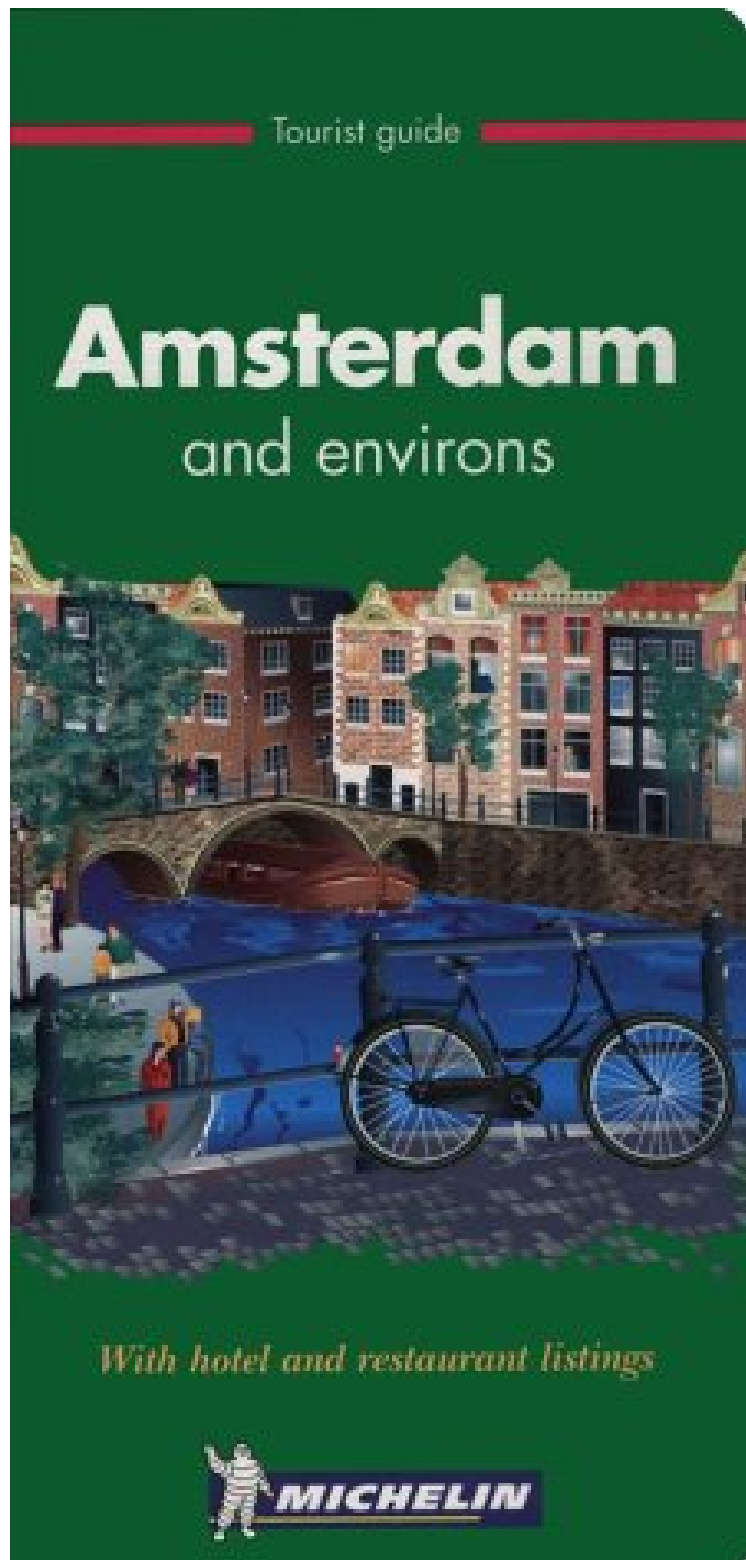


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Amsterdam is a city of the avant-garde and the traditionalist, a melting-pot of different cultures, a town of freedom and tolerance where people can dare to be themselves. It is, of course, a city of artistic, architectural and historic interest with numerous historic buildings, countless canals and museums filled with works by Rembrandt, Vermeer and Van Gogh. Yet the political capital of the Netherlands is much more than a mere tourist centre. The city has so many different facets which this guide will help to reveal that a holiday or short break in Amsterdam is sure to be an unusual and rewarding experience.