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## SITE ANALYSIS + THEMES/TOPICS

inspirations and concepts

**URBAN PLAN** new concept for the site in nijmegen

**DESIGN** floorplans, section, elevations

## ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS

floorplans, section, elevations

**REFLECTION** Bricolage, Mountain; Robinson Crusoe





NOLLI MAP OF SITE IN NIJMEGEN



VEDUTE AS INSPIRATION

## VEDUTE

First layer: The site is left empty through the missing connection and the not fully utilised location. While the mall leaves the area empty the history, represented though the circle with an old painting of an Dutch sky, is still present.









w 17th century







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## VEDUTE

Nijmegen is the one city in the Netherlands that does have a strong topography, which the inhabitants are also proud off. I started off the research by looking at the topography and learned about the city from this angle.





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## VEDUTE

The Mountain takes over the empty space and fills it up. It is also an homage to the unique topology of Nijmegen. The 8th Mountain of Nijmegen is both a reminder of the strong topography and it is also forgiving to the building. Each layer of the mountain represents a different function.

Oxford Dictionairy:

## MOUNTAIN

"A large natural elevation of the earth's surface rising abruptly from the surrounding level; a large steep hill."

"a raised part of the earth's surface, larger than a hill"

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## MOUNTAIN meaning in art

Mountain For a long time the mountain was feared as uncontrollable piece of nature

Francesco Petrarca (1304 -1374) known as the first person to climb a mountain for the view, Aesthetic experience of the changing horizon while ascending to a higher elevation.



The correlation between latitude and altitude and the occurrence of fauna was first discovered by Alexander von Humboldt.





Paragraph from my Letter To Robinson Crusoe

Past

This is the other topic that is very important for my project: the connection to nature. You might not understand why I want to bring Flora and Fauna into our cities. In your time you were still trying to control it. Trying to lock nature out of your cities. A lot has changed since then. People enjoy taking walks in the wild. That is how a lot of us spend our free time. I think even a hundred years after your death it wasn't very common to do that. It started with the Romantic era, and was very visible in the art. It was a return to nature, a counter-reaction towards industrialisation. People longed for the wild – freedom from humans and the black soot they exhausted into the air and into the cities. The art was filled with images of nature and moments of beauty. Casper David Friedrich would draw ruins where once cathedrals stood but instead of mourning their loss, the elegance of trees growing in the ruins is portrayed. On your island, you must have these spots too, where nature itself creates a composition so elegant and perfect that no human could recreate it.

## MOUNTAIN meaning in art

Romanticism View on nature changes, there was suddenly a longing for it



## VEDUTE

While the interior will host different functions on each layer of the mountain. The facade of the mountain will host different hiding spaces for different animals. Since each animal prefers a different orientation and location the spaces will be distributed around the building. Insects and smaller birds tend to have nests closer to the ground while bats and bird prefer higher hiding spots.



NATURE INCLUSIVE DESIGN

## Insektenhotel bauen - so geht es richtig!

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## 2. Die Bohrlöche

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Emboldened wild animals venture into locked-down cities worldwide

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## Stadt-Hummel gegen Land-Hummel: Studie untersucht, wer produktiver ist

 Der Lebensraum von Hummeln hat einer Studie zufolge erheblichen Einfluss auf ihre Produktivität.

Demnach sind in städtischen Gebieten lebende Hummeln nicht nur größer und anpassungsfähiger, sondern sie können auch mehr Pollen zum Bestäuben transportieren.

Untersucht wurden die in Deutschland häufigen Arten: Steinhummel, Ackerhummel die Dunkle Erdhummel.

adtgebieten besser geht als auf dem Lan tädten mehr Nahrung und sind dort produktiver als au



## THE NEED FOR MORE NATURE INCLUSIVE DESIGN









## Paragraph from my Letter To Robinson Crusoe

## Past

I firmly believe architecture should be made for humans, for the people that use the space. But what I realised in the last year is that humans are not the only users, animals and plants should also be included. If we choose to design spaces differently, the small piece of moss growing in the crack will give the facade a new texture, a new value beyond their use for humans. If we leave holes and punctures in facades, the mice won't bother eating through a piece of plastic to find a protected space in the city. If we just give one or two thoughts to other things than us humans, we could enhance the spaces for every user – dead grass field could be feeding grounds for bees with divers, colourful flowers. Benches could become shelters for small mammals. Of course, this is not always ideal and works out right away. But from each idea, we can learn something. Just like you learned that being able to make a boat is not enough, you also need to be able to move it into the water and be able to steer it around. Just building something nowadays is not enough, we need to look at the interconnections. And what is necessary to make it work. So I decided to create a building with nature inclusive design. To explain it with the metaphor I used most this past year: to build a mountain is not enough, it needs to be inhabited by animals and plants - otherwise the mountain is just a big, lonely, bare piece of rock.

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HUMANS AS THE MAIN INHABIT-ANTS OF URBAN AREAS



FLORA EXISTS IN THE INBE-TWEEN SPACES LEFT BY HU-MANS



OFTEN HIDDEN: FAUNA THAT LIFES IN THE LEFT OVER SPACES



POROSITY AS A WAY TO DENSIFY THE CITY - WITH NATURE INCLU-SIVE DESIGN





Paragraph from my Letter To Robinson Crusoe

Past

Thinking about your house, did you at some point, think about creating a form that reminds you of home? A piece of home, or rather the illusion of home, a melancholic portray of the place you grew up with. But maybe creating these different abstract spaces helped to ground you in your reality. A big part of your time was spent in the protection of your house, letting it connect to nature. I am trying to do the same. But my place should be a piece of wild nature inside an organised city, instead of a piece of order inside the chaos of nature. I am in a way doing the opposite of what you did - what a weird thing that must be for you. You are stranded and surrounded by nature that can pose a big threat to you and here I am trying to actively create such a space in a city.

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## CONCEPT FLORA + FAUNA

Each platform offers different plants that are offering the corresponding animals protection as well as food.

## CONCEPT FAUNA + FACADE

Multiple different brick textures host different animals. Each offers the best possible hiding spots for a certain type of animal.

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CONCEPT FAUNA + FLORA + HUMANS



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## THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BUILDINGS, MONUMENTS AND PUBLIC SQUARES

**O** OPEN CENTRES OF PUBLIC PLACES

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THE ENCLOSED CHARACTER OF THE PUBLIC SQUARE

THE FORM AND EXPANSE OF PUBLIC SQUARES

THE IRREGULARITY OF ANCIENT PUBLIC SQUARES

GROUPS OF PUBLIC SQUARES

# FLOOR PLAN GROUND+ FIRST FLOOR





## **URBAN PLAN WITH STRUCTURE**





# FLOOR PLAN GROUND+ FIRST FLOOR





## URBAN PLAN





## URBAN PLAN





# FLOOR PLAN GROUND+ FIRST FLOOR









## FORMFINDING MOUNTAIN VOLUME





HAS DIFFRENT PLANTS & LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

STAIRS LEAD

MOUNTAIN

& CONNECTS TO CAPE

RESTAURANT

UP THE






# **PERSPEKTIVE ENTRANCE - ZIEKESTRAAT**









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#### DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BEE

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#### DAY IN THE LIFE OF A MOUSE

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#### DAY IN THE LIFE OF A SPARROW



# FLOOR PLAN GROUND FLOOR



### FLOOR PLAN 1ST FLOOR



## INTERIOR PERSPECTIVES





## FLOOR PLAN 2ND FLOOR



### FLOOR PLAN 3RD FLOOR



## INTERIOR PERSPECTIVES





### FLOOR PLAN 4TH FLOOR



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### FLOOR PLAN 5TH FLOOR







### FLOOR PLAN 6TH FLOOR









### FLOOR PLAN 7TH FLOOR







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#### WINDOW CONCEPT













# PEAK/CAFE AS THE LAST THRESHOLD





The cafe is the last threshold between inside and outside before reaching the peak







Skylights function as Urban Furniture and to create unique spacial qualities









#### Architecture starts when you carefully put two bricks together. There it begins.

Ludwig Mies van der Rohe





Brickpattern + Bricks found in Nijmegen



10.000 - 500 BC

500 BC - 1000 AC







1000 - 1450



1650 - 1800



1800 - 1900



1900 - 1980

1980 - present



# FLOOR PLAN GROUND+ FIRST FLOOR





























#### CORE PERSPEKTIVE





### SPACIAL DIFFRENCE



#### CORE PERSPEKTIVE

































# PERSPEKTIVE MOLENSTRAAT









#### Paragraph from my Letter To Robinson Crusoe

And then suddenly my letter, message or even hologram appears. And you start to think about the approach of bricolage - a term you rediscovered and just realised that this was the original name for it. Since that is all out of the way, here are my Questions for you: Do you feel like you are taking a step forwards or backwards by rediscovering old techniques and reusing what you find? I certainly felt I am making a step forward - though maybe it is more like a step sideways. For me, bricolage and architecture are closely connected now, through the work I did and the way I approached my thesis. Instead of limiting myself to an idea, I think the topic freed my thoughts and created an opportunity to look at architecture from a different angle. Much like you realised when you stranded that sustaining yourself can look very differently - eating freshly grown fruits or using one of the futuristic food replacements. The latter depended on the first, without fruits the synthetic food would have never existed but now you have the choice, and both have their pro and cons. That is how I feel about bricolage, it is an addition to architecture, it makes you look at it differently and learn from it.

#### FINDING MY OWN ANGLE ON BRICOLAGE

"Inevitably, the result will be a compromise between the project that he first had in mind and the means available to him."

Irenee Scalbert, The architect as bricoleur

#### BRICOLAGE + ROBINSON CRUSEO + POROSITY + NIJMEGEN (+ Corona) = 8TH MOUNTAIN OF NIJMEGEN

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