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Coming to the Netherlands for my PhD was an unexpected, and great surprise. I arrived without knowing much about Dutch people and their culture (apart from their fondness for camping in France). My first impression was immediately positive, especially regarding the working atmosphere, the amount of scientific exchange and the open-mindedness of people. This first impression was luckily stronger than my amazement once I discovered Dutch food habits and my first “Febo”, from where you can get unidentified food items. For sure leaving this place is going to be painful, but I will keep plenty of great memories.

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¹ref. to J.M. Barrie only...

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