

URBAN MORPHOLOGY AND STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS



LEGEND

- Private Spaces /
Residences, individual
dwellings.
- Public spaces, schools,
places of worship, factories,
businesses.
- Skyline of the important
buildings.
- Important Buildings
- Area that denotes with
the urban morphology

SCALE: 1:5000

100m 200m

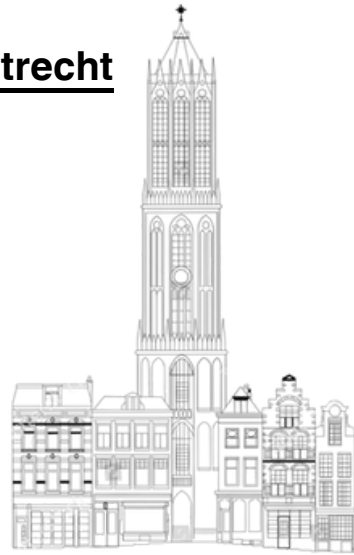
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Cathedral Saint-Martin d'Utrecht

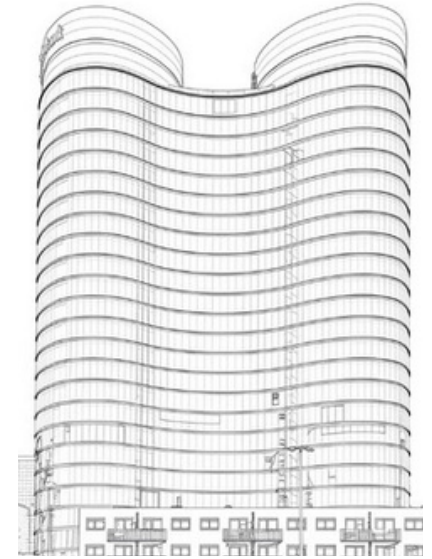
The cathedral's towering spire and gothic silhouette dominate the historic center, acting as a visual landmark. Its verticality and intricate forms punctuate the relatively low-rise medieval streets, giving the city a clear spatial hierarchy.



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The Rabotoren is building of Rabobank

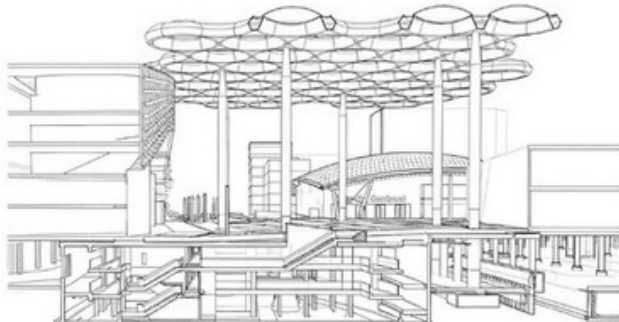
The Rabotoren rises as a sleek, vertical prism, sharply contrasting with the surrounding historic buildings. Its modern geometric form asserts a contemporary identity while reshaping the skyline and marking a node of economic activity.



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Fietsenstalling Stationsplein.

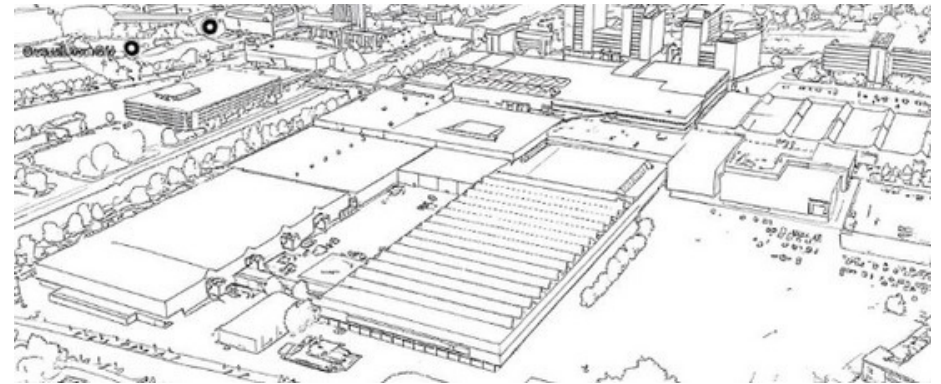
The Fietsenstalling's expansive horizontal structure and rhythmic modular design stand out amid the dense urban flows around the station. Its form emphasizes functionality and order, organizing movement and integrating large-scale cycling infrastructure into the city.



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Ondernemers Academie UOA, Jaarbeurs Utrecht

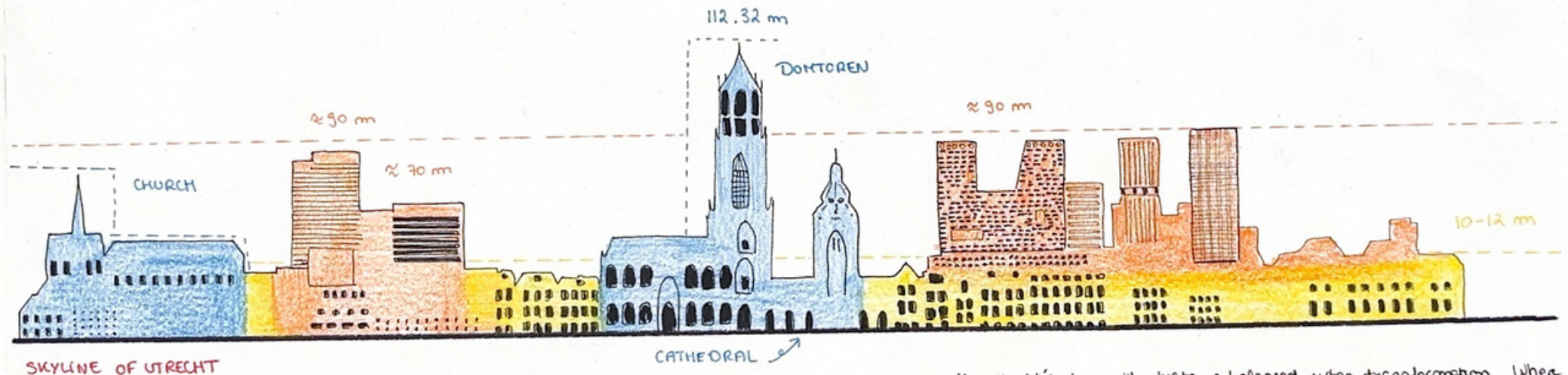
Its industrial hall form and orientation break with the surrounding historic urban fabric, making it highly visible but poorly integrated into the traditional city structure.



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The skyline of Utrecht reflects the city's spatial hierarchy and morphological evolution. The historic core, organized around the Dom Tower, shows the compact, fine-grained fabric, shaped by medieval patterns and limited building heights. This creates a strong horizontal continuity and a clear sense of human scale.

Moving outward, the morphology becomes more open and structured, with taller and larger volumes marking zones of recent development, especially around the railway station and business districts. These vertical elements signal urban densification and the city's adaptation to contemporary needs without erasing its historic identity.



Overall, Utrecht's form illustrates a balanced urban transformation. When the contrast between old and new generates a coherent skyline that expresses both continuity and modernization within the urban landscape.

LEGEND

- - - Height of buildings
- - - Height of religious buildings
- Religious buildings
- Big buildings.

■ Residential accommodations.

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