



KATOEN NATIE

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Katoen Natie Art

The Katoen Natie depot for art and heritage

Katoen Natie Art is a logistics company specialising in transport, management and storage of art collections for among others museums, government departments, local authorities and private collectors.

Katoen Natie Art offers tailor-made solutions for storing collections, to anyone involved with art and cultural heritage.

Climate control, lighting, security and all other aspects are taken care of by professionals, to suit the needs of the works of art.

Katoen Natie Art provides top-level conservation of the artistic heritage.

An international logistics service provider

Katoen Natie, founded in 1854, is a leading logistics service provider that operates worldwide. The group provides logistics services to demanding industries such as petrochemicals, specialty chemicals, consumer goods, the food industry and port operations.

A passion for art and heritage

Katoen Natie also has a passion for art and heritage. As such, Katoen Natie invests in purchasing artworks, publishing art books, restoration, architectural projects, conservation and renovation of the heritage of companies and ports, as well as exhibiting works of art and developing its own museum.

Katoen Natie Art: the best of both worlds

For many decades now, Katoen Natie has focused on value-added logistics. Its expertise in storage, conservation, security, transport, forwarding and customs clearance are now available to you. Katoen Natie Art has been set up specially for this purpose. Local authorities, museums and collectors who require a professional solution for their collections of artworks, antiques and heirlooms can call upon Katoen Natie Art.





A safe, professional depot for collections of works of art, antiques and other cultural heritage, on behalf of local authorities, museums, gallery owners, artists and private collectors



A structural lack of professional storage facilities for art

There is a structural lack of professional storage facilities where art and heirlooms can be kept safely. If they are stored in an ordinary warehouse they frequently don't get the care and conservation they deserve. There is definitely room for improvement.

Katoen Natie Art: the know-how, the resources and the passion

Katoen Natie Art ensures that collections of artworks, antiques and heritage that

have to be stored for shorter or longer periods no longer run the risk of damage. The company accomplishes this mission using the very latest techniques for conservation and logistics. Authorities and museums that store collections with Katoen Natie Art can rest assured: each item entrusted to Katoen Natie Art is handled, stored and protected according to strict guidelines. Moreover each item can be digitised and catalogued, so that the inventory can be called up and consulted online immediately.

Specialist facilities for art

Katoen Natie Art has developed logistics facilities where different owners (authorities, museums, gallery owners and collectors) can rely on professional storage and conservation, tailored to their requirements. And thanks to the economies of scale Katoen Natie Art provides an affordable solution that combines top-quality care with many additional services and facilities.



How Katoen Natie Art works in practice

Katoen Natie Art devotes the greatest care to your works of art and collections. Thanks to the flexible, modular arrangement of the facilities, every object enjoys the protection and conservation it needs.

No risks

On arrival the artworks are first stored in the quarantine area, if required. There they are minutely examined and a condition report is drawn up for each item. If there are no risks of contamination the works of art will be placed in the depot.

Together or apart?

You can opt for shared or separate storage. In the former case your artworks are kept along with those of other organisations in a large, shared area. If you opt for separate storage, then one or more closed-off units are made available to you.

Dedicated shelves

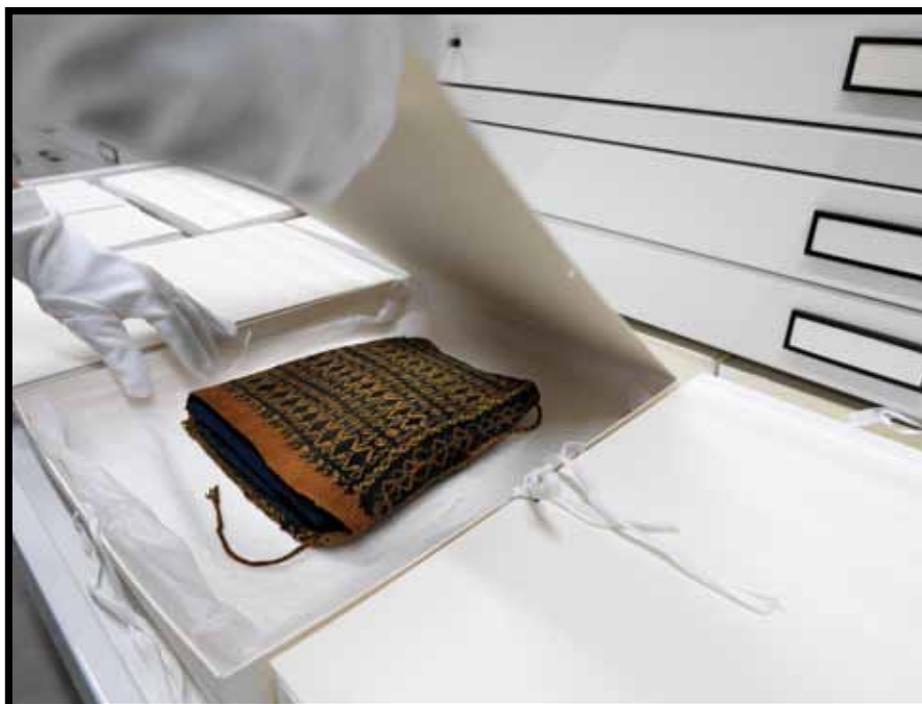
Each object is kept in such a way that it is safe for years, without any risk of damage. Katoen Natie has several techniques for this, along with a wide range of shelves and other storage facilities.

Stable conditions

The Katoen Natie Art depots are designed to ensure optimum conditions: air-tight and fully insulated, so that stable temperature and humidity are achieved naturally, with minimum climate control. If required, the customer may choose to have the objects stored in special conditions – in smaller, enclosed areas – instead of the standard climate.

Specialist personnel

All the services are carried out by highly-trained, specialist personnel with a passion for art.





Katoen Natie Art services

Katoen Natie Art provides the necessary space and infrastructure for safe, professional storage of your objects. If desired Katoen Natie Art will also carry out full conservation of your artworks. You can further call upon Katoen Natie Art for advice and assistance with transport, packaging, restoration, shipping and customs formalities.

Services available include among others the following:

> Preparation for transport

Katoen Natie Art provides tailor-made trays, crates and cases, and packs the objects with extreme care.

> Professional transport

We provide secure transport (including loading, unloading and all other operations) under optimum conditions of temperature, humidity, safe stacking etc.

> Quarantine and condition report

On arrival each item is placed in the quarantine area so that all visible defects, damage or risk of deterioration can be immediately detected and a report drawn up.

> Disinfecting

If necessary artworks are disinfected.

> Digitising and inventorying

If desired, each item is digitised, coded into the system and stored in the computer. So you have a clear picture of what is being held and you can call up the items in the depot quickly and easily. Items can also be measured and inventoried in detail.

> Storage

Katoen Natie Art stores individual items or complete collections in depot, for short or longer periods of time.

> Forwarding and customs clearance

Katoen Natie Art has specialist personnel for forwarding and shipping of art objects, which includes taking care of all customs formalities.





Facilities

Katoen Natie Art provides all the facilities you need to help you manage your collection in a simpler, easier and more rewarding way. If you have any particular wishes or requirements, please do not hesitate to make them known.

Packaging workshop

In our packaging workshop all sorts of art objects – ranging from paintings, sculpture and ceramics to antiquarian books, antique furniture or anything else – are packed and prepared for transport in the most efficient and secure way.

Emergency depot

Katoen Natie Art can immediately free up external storage space in case of emergency, so that art objects can be quickly evacuated and safely stored.

Photo studios

Professional photo studios are available close by, so art objects can be photographed under the best possible conditions for catalogues, brochures, folders etc.

Exhibition rooms

Perhaps you would like to mount a temporary exhibition of some of the items in storage? Katoen Natie Art has dedicated exhibition rooms for just that purpose.

Restoration and conservation rooms

The art objects do not have to leave the depot for restoration or conservation: there are fully-equipped, climate-controlled rooms with natural lighting available.

Offices, meeting rooms and restaurant

Katoen Natie Art provides offices, meeting rooms and restaurant facilities close by, with the necessary degree of comfort and prestige.





Katoen Natie Art for excellent security

When it comes to keeping valuable collections and works of art, safety and security naturally enjoy the highest priority. Katoen Natie Art leaves nothing to chance when it comes to security arrangements.

Fire safety

Katoen Natie Art employs state-of-the-art fire detection technology.

Break-in and theft security

Katoen Natie Art depots are guarded day and night. The strict access control guarantees that only authorised persons are able to access the facilities. An advanced system helps to ensure that the stored objects enjoy maximum protection.



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Katoen Natie Art: strategically located

Katoen Natie Art offers storage facilities located centrally within Europe.

Characteristics of the storage facilities

Height

- > Variable, but with plenty of headroom, even for the very largest objects.

Layout

- > Storage areas physically separate from offices, workshops, equipment rooms etc.
- > There are large, shared spaces and smaller lockable compartments.

Climate control

- > Temperature: to suit customer specifications.
- > Relative humidity: to suit customer specifications

Logistics

- > Sophisticated loading and unloading facilities even for large objects.



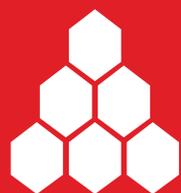
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Would you like more information?

Please don't hesitate to contact us for a personal solution that suits you. Feel free to ask questions, and come and have a look for yourself. Katoen Natie Art welcomes enquiries.

Whatever your requirements, Katoen Natie Art is willing and able to take care of your artworks or collections in a fully professional manner, and to provide all additional services and support.



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