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## Belgium's first Bollywood production, on location in **BRUGES**

PK is the first Bollywood production that is shot in Belgium. The picturesque centre of Bruges, recognised by UNESCO as world heritage, appeared to be the ideal setting for the production team of Indian director Rajkumar Hirani. PK is a top production, featuring three well-known and acclaimed Bollywood stars Aamir Khan, Anushka Sharma and Sushant Singh Rajput.

*"This having been my first shoot in Bruges, left me wanting to go back for some more. The astounding beauty, the wonderful people and the mouth watering food made my stay an unforgettable one."*

Anushka Sharma, Leading actress "Peekay"  
Hirani Films Ltd

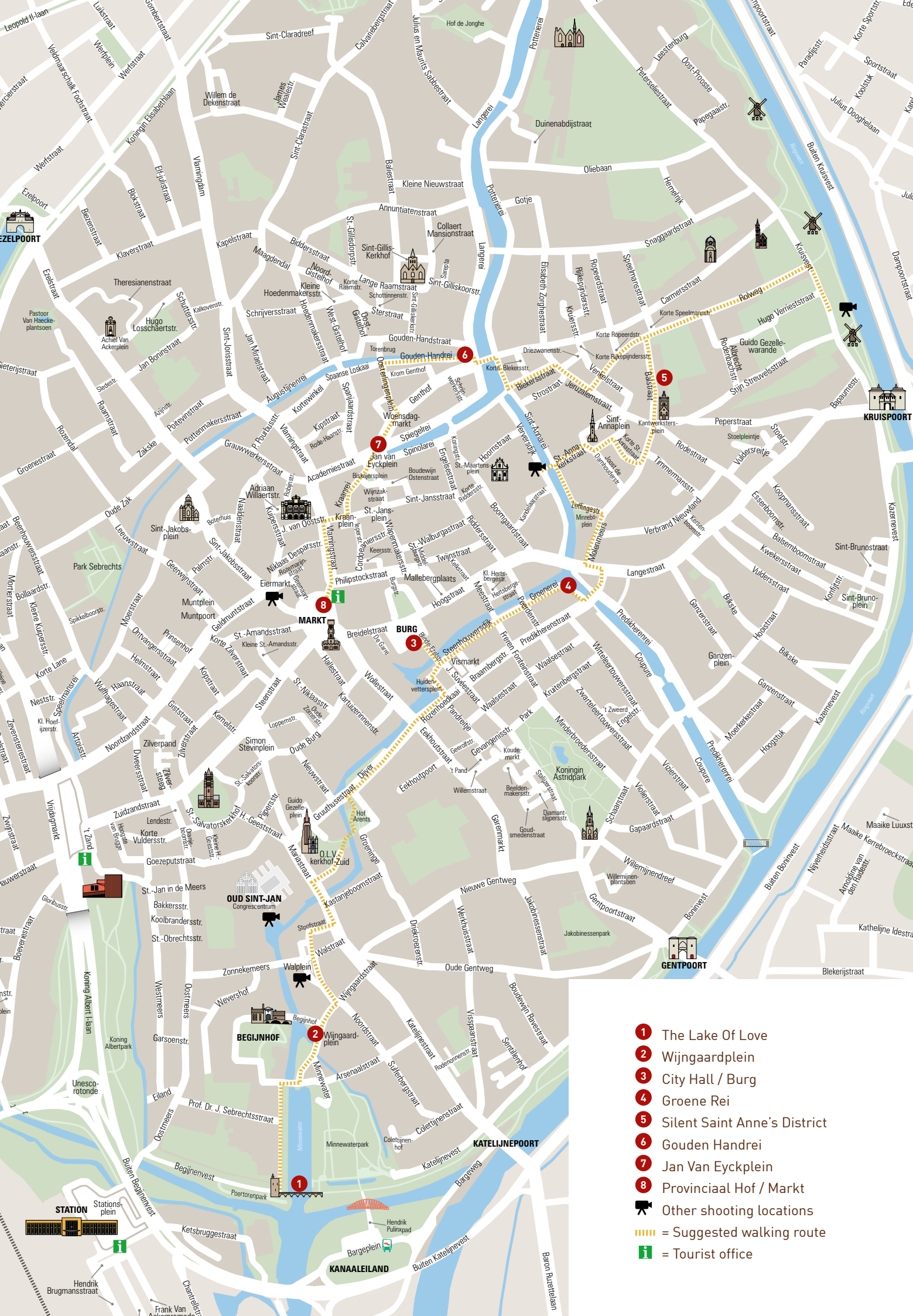
*"It's so easy to fall in love with a place like Bruges. Everywhere you look you see such beauty."*

Sushant Singh Rajput, Leading actor "Peekay",  
Hirani Films Ltd

*"Bruges, in all its uniqueness and cultural beauty, offered us the affability and splendor needed for shooting a film. As both a holiday destination as well as a shooting location, Bruges proves to be ideal."*

Rajkumar Hirani, Director "Peekay"  
Hirani Films Ltd

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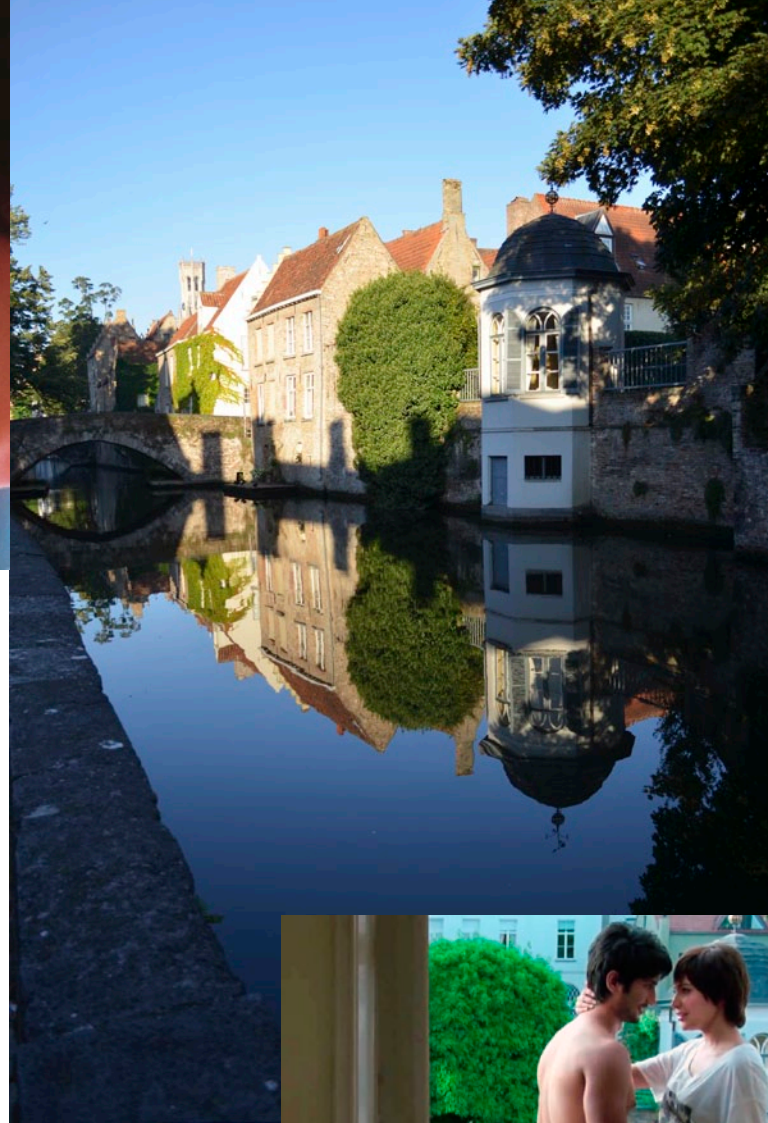


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# Shooting locations in BRUGES

from the movie



## 1 THE LAKE OF LOVE

— The perfect setting for a romantic walk: we see Jaggu and Sarfaraz flirting on the ledge nearby the lock house and cuddling up in the grass against a tree. Sarfaraz reads his poem to Jugga. On the bridge we see the couple twirl happily. —

The tragic romance of Minna and her warrior love Stromberg has evolved into local legend saying that you will experience eternal love if you walk over the lake bridge with your partner. This of course turns Lake of Love into an exceptionally romantic spot. Enjoy the scenery from the lake bridge, one of the benches along the lake or stroll through the calm Minnewaterpark.

## 2 WIJNGAARDPLEIN

— At the jetty, Sarfaraz is reading poetry. Bruges' white swans and the Beguinage serve as a perfect backdrop. —

Halfway through a horse-drawn carriage ride along Bruges' historic winding streets the carriage briefly stops at the Wijngaardplein, one of Bruges' most popular filming locations.

## 3 CITY HALL / BURG

— In the romantic setting of the city hall, Jaggu, in her bridal attire, anxiously awaits the arrival of her groom. Will he show up on their wedding day? —

Bruges' City Hall (1376) is one of the oldest in the Low Countries. It is from here that the city has been governed for more than 600 years. An absolute masterpiece is the Gothic Hall with its late 19th-century murals and polychrome vault. Today wedding ceremonies are conducted here.

## 4 GROENE REI

— Romantic moments in the house. The besotted couple are scantily clad while standing on the balcony and passionately kissing each other. Picturesque view on the canal opposite the house. —

The Groenerei is one of the most beautiful locations belonging to Bruges. It offers a varied yet typical Bruges scenery with old bridges and historical buildings framed by a touch of nature. No wonder the director has chosen this scenery for one of the movie's most romantic shots.

## 5 SILENT SAINT ANNE'S DISTRICT

— In the love song "Chaar kadam" Jaggu chases Sarfaraz while holding her bicycle next to her. She can't keep her eyes off of him. "Chaar kadam" would literally mean 'four steps', but the intention here is to say 'a few steps', walk a little with me. —

— Sarfaraz sits in the boat singing his love song while Jaggu follows him by cycling along the canal side. At the Saint Anne's Bridge Sarfaraz falls into the water. We see him standing on the bridge being totally wet. Close encounter with Jaggu. —

Discover hidden treasures in this picturesque working-class neighbourhood: passing by the Church of Saint Anne, the medieval Jerusalem Chapel and the Lace Centre. Bruges has a rich lace tradition originating in the 16th century. In the mid-19th century, there were about 10,000 domestic lace-makers at work but today lacemaking is virtually non-existent as an economic activity. Fortunately, the people of Bruges managed to keep the old skills alive and have passed on this knowledge from generation to generation. Nowadays, various training courses are still organised in the Bruges Lace Centre, housed in one of the old lace schools in the St Anne's District. Check out the lacemaking demonstrations in the afternoons.

## 6 GOUDEN HANDREI

— The location where Sarfaraz sings his poem holding his diary. Here Sarfaraz says he is from Pakistan. —

In the 15th century this area was known as the artists' quarter. Several Flemish primitives have lived here or used to congregate in this neighbourhood. Following this canal you will discover secret gardens and wonderfully beautiful views.

## 7 JAN VAN EYCKPLEIN

— Jaggu phones her parents and hails a cab —

Bruges' commercial heart from the 13th to the 15th century. This was Burgundian Bruges' Manhattan, the place to be! Here ships docked, cargoes were loaded and unloaded and tolls were levied.

## 8 PROVINCIAAL HOF / MARKT

— The Markt was the main shooting location and the Provincial Court served as the setting for the Concert Hall in the movie. The exterior shooting took 2 days and they had to relocate the bus and taxi stops. Also, the carillon of the Belfry had to be closed down during the shooting. —

The Market Square is the beating heart of the city. The unique world-heritage protected Belfry houses a carillon with 47 melodious bells. However in the year 2000 UNESCO declared the whole historic centre World Heritage, an accolade that is unique in Belgium and a rarity in Europe. After a 83m climb up the tower's 366 stairs your reward is a breathtaking and unforgettable panoramic view of Bruges and her surroundings.

## OTHER SHOOTING LOCATIONS

- 🎬 Brewery De Halve Maan: panorama shots at brewery from the roof top terrace
- 🎬 Site Oud Sint-Jan: the facade of the restaurant B-In as exterior of University
- 🎬 Saint Anne's Bridge
- 🎬 Old City Ramparts
- 🎬 Eiermarkt

