A former workers’ quarter, the Jordaan teems with pubs, galleries and markets crammed into a grid of tiny lanes. It’s a wonderfully atmospheric place for a stroll.

**Start Noorderkerk**
Distance 2.7km
Duration one hour

**3 Through a red door, Rapenhofje is a little courtyard that was home to one of Amsterdam’s oldest almshouses (1648).**

**Take a Break...** Grab a bite and a drink at scruffy yet alluring Café ‘t Monumentje (www.monumentje.nl; ☞8.30am-1am Mon-Thu, to 3am Fri, 9am-3am Sat, 11am-1am Sun).**

**4 Westerstraat is a main drag of the Jordaan, with a weekly clothing market and Pianola Museum (www.pianola.nl; Westerstraat 106; museum adult/child €5/3, concert tickets from €7.50; ☞2-5pm Sun).**

**1 Impressive cross-shaped Noorderkerk was revolutionary, providing the working-class congregation with altar views from four transepts.**

**6 Johnny Jordaanplein** is a square dedicated to a local hero and singer of schmaltzy tunes.

**Classic Photo Boats and canal-side houses on Brouwersgracht.**

**2 Along the Brouwersgracht (Brewers Canal) you’ll see the old warehouses Groene & Grauwe Valk.**

**5 Rembrandt’s sterfhuis (death house) is at No 184 on busy Rozengracht, the master painter died here in 1669.**