



KATOEN NATIE

ABOUT STORING
ART
& THE ART
OF STORAGE



Katoen Natie Business Unit Art: the best of both worlds

Since way back in 1854 Katoen Natie has **been the leading global player in logistics and partner to many demanding sectors** including consumer goods, food, petrochemicals, specialty chemicals and port activities. Today, Katoen Natie operates in more than 30 countries with a workforce exceeding 16,000 employees.

Katoen Natie also has **an abiding passion for fine art** and patrimony. The group actively invests in the acquisition of works of art, restoration and exhibitions. Katoen Natie also finances the publication of art books, research and architectural projects, and runs its own museums.

The combination of 170 years of logistics knowledge and a passion for art resulted in the establishment of the **Katoen Natie Business Unit Art**. Thanks to our expertise in warehousing, conservation, security and customs clearance, you can be safe in the knowledge that your works of art are in good hands:

- Stored in highly secure, climate-controlled bonded warehouses
- Appropriate packaging
- Art handling
- Viewing rooms and photographic studio
- Specialist transport worldwide
- Restoration.

Our warehouses will accommodate fine art, antiques, legacies, books and other valuable **collections**.





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What gives our warehouses their world class appeal?

Today, the number of highly valuable works of art exceeds the amount of available professional storage space, which means that works of art don't always receive the care and attention they deserve. The Katoen Natie Business Unit Art will always deal with conservation in the professional manner it deserves. Any object received in our warehouses is protected in accordance with the best practices.

Discrete storage

Each warehouse is totally anonymous with no visible signs on the outside that it houses valuable goods. Only our employees know and they are obliged to sign a binding confidentiality agreement. You can rely on absolute confidentiality.

Academically designed warehouses

Your collection isn't stored in just any warehouse. The design of our warehouses is based on many years of **academic and practical research** and is implemented inhouse by our own team of engineers. This means that we can guarantee:

- The highest level of security
- A perfectly controlled climate
- A bespoke layout

Warehouses with level 3 security

Analysis by **INCERT**, the leading quality benchmark for electronic building security, classify our warehouses as level 3, which implies that extremely stringent security measures are in place.

That is why our buildings are safeguarded with around the clock on-site security. An external control room monitors all alarms to keep our warehouse managers up to date at any time of the day.

Moreover, all entries, exits and passages are equipped with scanners to prevent unauthorised access. All our warehouses are equipped with CCTV.





Hygiene & quarantine

Each object is carefully examined upon arrival, because **vermin** represents an insidious threat to valuable collections. That is why the Katoen Natie Business Unit Art avoids any kind of risk.

If in doubt, an item will be quarantined and monitored for a specific period of time. If the item is contaminated, Katoen Natie has the necessary expertise to provide appropriate treatment in our ICM® (Integrated Contamination Management) room.

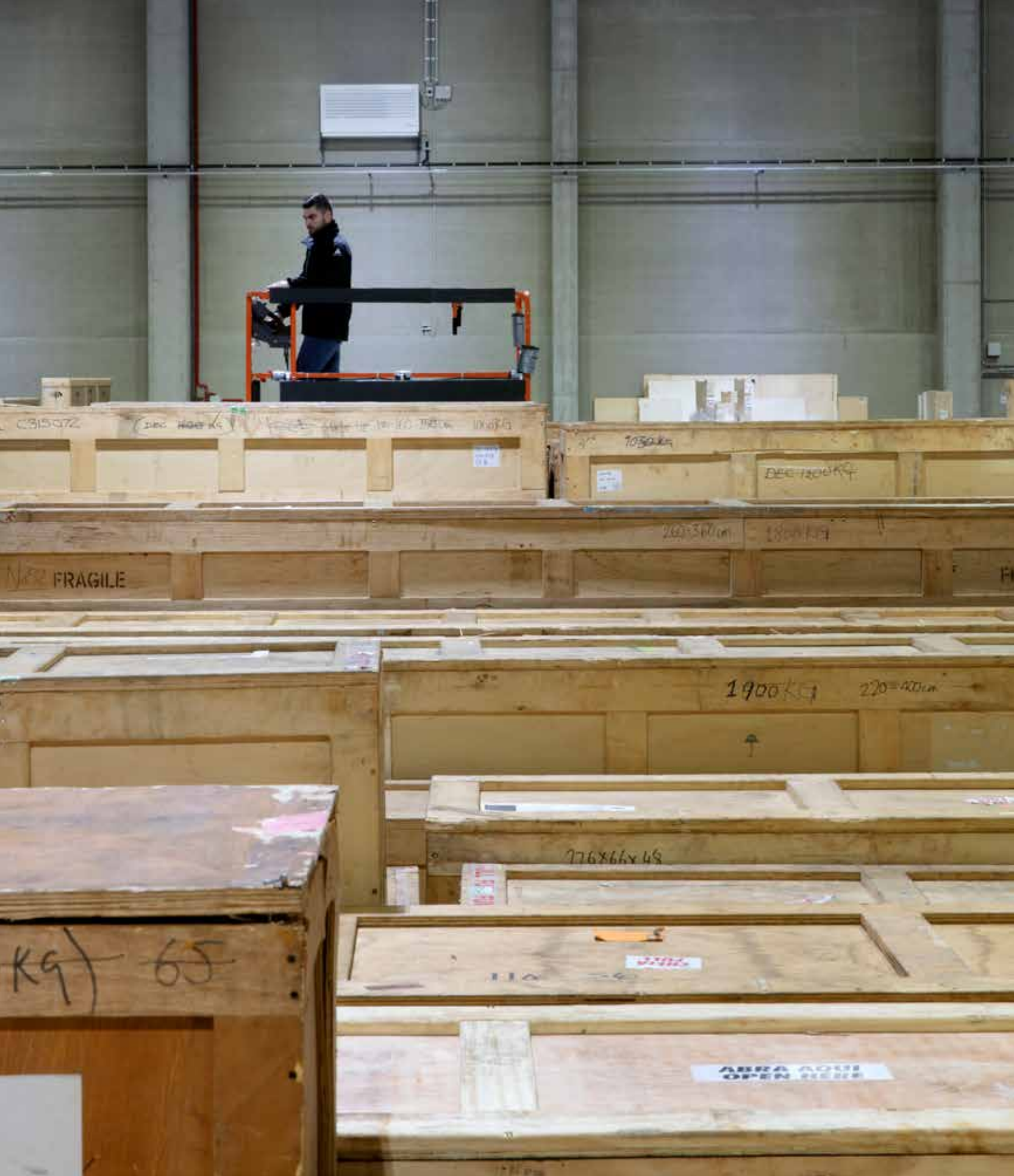
ICM is a technique to eliminate pests and mould by heating the material to maximum 52°C in controlled humidity. The treatment is 100% effective as it kills not only insects, but also eggs and larvae. Overall the treatment takes barely 24 hours, is suitable for most materials and is ecological.

Once the objects have been inspected and approved, we continue to **closely monitor** the collections in our warehouses. Our partner conducts frequent inspections to detect any kind of flying or crawling insects or rodents.

Furthermore, all our warehousing areas are equipped with traps specifically suited to the materials that are stored there. Paintings, for example, require a different approach than carpets.

Finally, all our warehouses are kept **dust free**. We remove the dust from any item that enters a warehouse and dry clean our warehousing areas on a weekly basis.





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Inventory & collection management

Our bespoke WMS (Warehouse Management System) guarantees that your items are **100% traceable** and easy to locate. Each item is registered in the system with a QR code and is linked to its exact location in the warehouse.

We also record the **history** of each item:

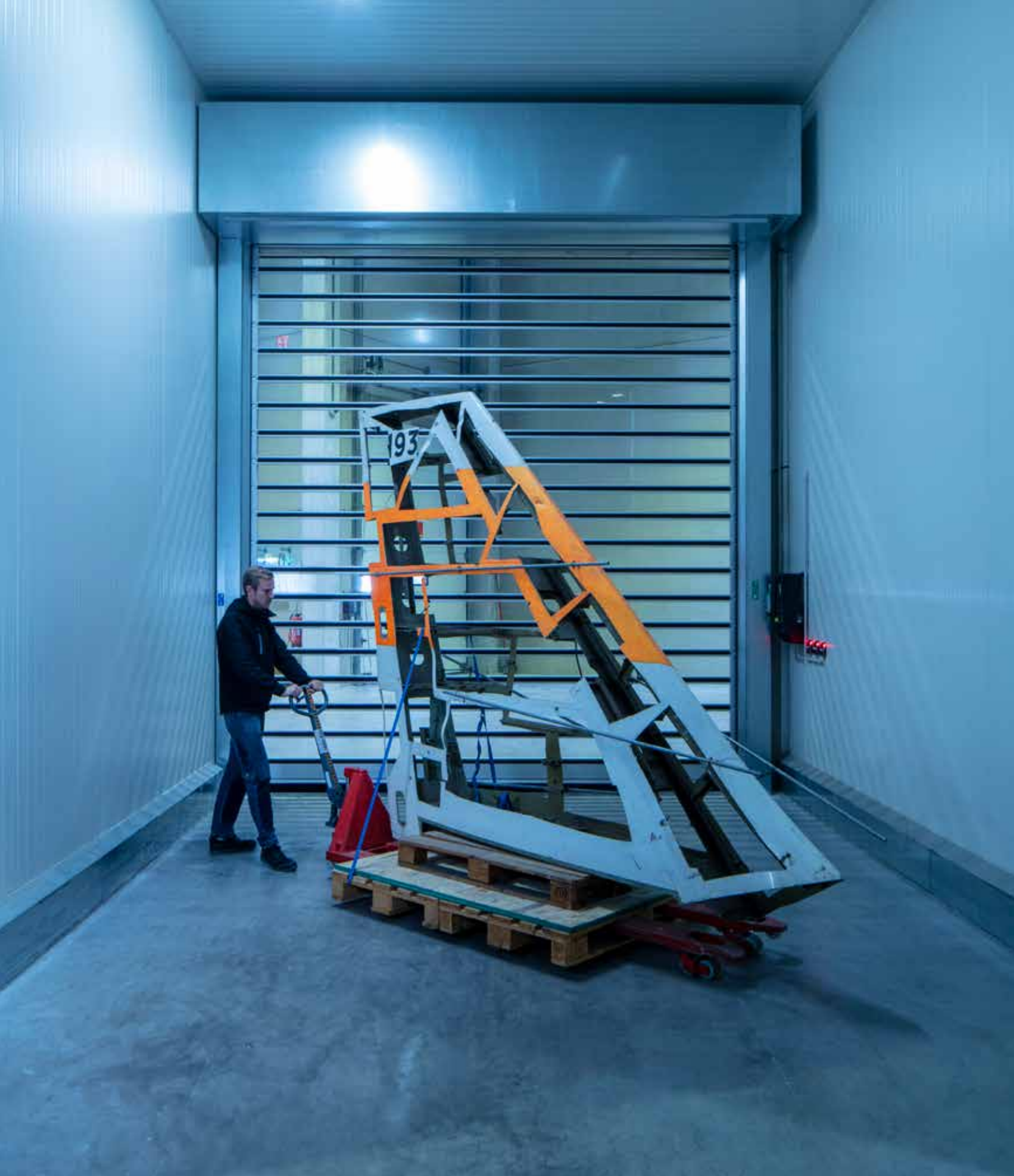
- How often has your item been stored in our warehouse?
- Previous condition reports
- Customs documentation
- Dimensions and weight.
- ...

Obviously, we are happy to share this information with you to ensure that you have an insight into your collection at all times.

Certified quality

The Katoen Natie Business Unit Art has been awarded ISO 9001:2015 certification, verifying that we employ and adhere to the most stringent methods and procedures. Every year an external body verifies whether we still comply with the appropriate standards.





A different climate for each type of material

A suitable climate is essential to store your valuable items with due care and attention.

The warehouses of the Katoen Natie Business Unit Art are climate-controlled in accordance with **museum standards**. Moreover, our engineers designed a unique and sustainable type of warehouse: airtight, low energy, low oxygen (14% instead of 21%) and **fireproof** as a result.

Our sustainable warehouses also have a self-regulating climate, keeping manual interventions to a minimum, making it **ecologically sound and cost effective**.

Depending on the materials in your collection and your specific wishes, Katoen Natie will also provide **bespoke solutions** to store your items safely, with due care and in a budget-friendly manner.

We are happy to provide you with recommendations on the different climate types. Below is a summary of the various options:

Climate-controlled storage (museum standard)	Sustainable warehouses	Specifically adapted climate zones	Non climate-controlled warehouses
20°C 52% relative humidity	12°C - 18°C 55 – 60% relative humidity	Tailormade	No or minimal climate control, e.g. for sculptures or empty crates
Climate control class: better than ASHRAE AA+	Climate control class: ASHRAE AA	Tailormade	
Monitoring indoor climate, immediate intervention in the event of deviating results	Monitoring, intervention if limits are exceeded	Monitoring, intervention if limits are exceeded	No intervention
Traditional extinguishing agents + compartmentalisation with fire resistance	Lowering of oxygen level	Traditional extinguishing agents + compartmentalisation with fire resistance	Traditional extinguishing agents + compartmentalisation with fire resistance

All climate types are protected in accordance with level INCERT-3, with CCTV monitoring and pest control.



Flexible storage solutions

All works of art are unique. The warehouses of the Katoen Natie Business Unit Art are based on a flexible and modular design, giving each item the right level of protection and preservation it needs.

Long and short term storage

Just a few weeks, or months or even years: Katoen Natie will store and look after your items for as long as necessary. Do you need a location to store empty crates because of lack of space at an exhibition? Feel free to leave them with us.

Large items

6 m wide or weighing 40 tons?
No problem. Our warehouses can accommodate **items of any size or weight**. We can store (extremely) large objects *and* provide the correct way of transporting them.



Shared or private storage

You can choose between our shared or private storage facilities. In the shared storage your collection will be kept securely with other collections, **maximising the available storage space**. In the private storage area you are hiring an individual, **lockable safe**. Or you can hire a complete section, with or without bespoke facilities/layout.

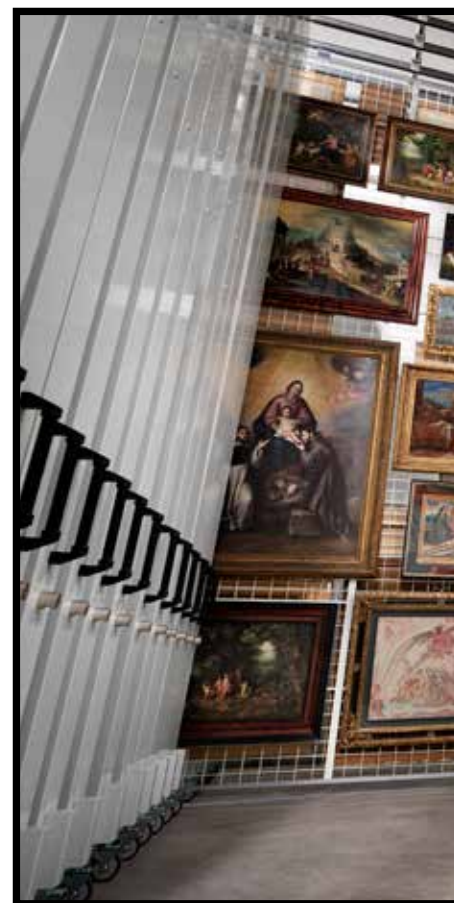
Tailormade design

Paintings require different preservation techniques from wooden statues, for example. And works of art on paper are stored differently from textile collections.



Each item requires a specific approach.

- **Textile collections** are fully supported, either on hangers or flat out.
- **Vulnerable items** are stored on or in acid free material.
- Your **paintings** will be stored in a specially designed, lockable painting rack (44 m² hanging space), shielded from other collections.





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Services ranging from transport to exhibitions

Secure and specialized transport

Your valuable works of art are transported in **climate-controlled trucks with air suspension**, specifically designed for the transport of fine art. You can monitor their progress at all times via a **track and trace system**. Moreover, your collection will be secured during transport via an advanced system linked to an external control room.

Worldwide transport & customs facilities

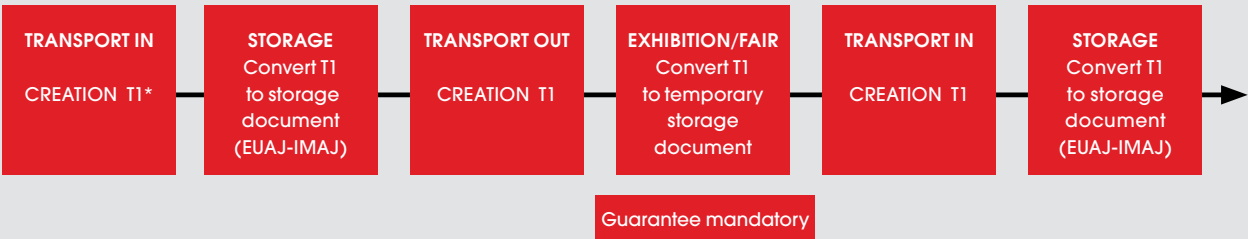
The Katoen Natie Business Unit Art transports works of art all over the world. Depending on the type of object, the available timescale and your budget, you can opt for sea freight, air freight, road transport or a combination thereof. Packaging is adapted to the type of transport and the requirements in the country of destination.

Our customs department will provide support for any mode of transport. They will also deal with any import and export queries, anywhere in the world. They will be happy to help, even with the most difficult customs issues.

Bonded warehouse

All our warehouses are bonded warehouses, which are customs approved zones, **not subject to import duties and/or VAT**. Collectors, gallery owners and other art lovers all over the world can store their works of art in our 'freeport'. The major benefit? Only at Katoen Natie you are allowed to remove items from the warehouse, e.g. for an exhibition or trade fair, without any additional administration, guarantees or other costs (see illustration). The objects can travel throughout the EU free from import duties and VAT.

Customs formalities with standard storage



Better option provided by Katoen Natie Business Unit Art



*Transit document



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Condition reports

Our accredited restorers can also provide condition reports of your objects, to enable you to verify their condition (e.g. following removal or transport). Our condition reports can be brief, e.g. with a few superficial photographs, or extremely detailed with an in-depth review of the item and its history.

Packaging

In order to provide maximum protection for your artwork, Katoen Natie will provide packaging tailored to the specifications of the object in question. This ranges from soft packaging materials to reusable and **bespoke crates**. Packaging can be **traced** if necessary via a track and trace system.

Art handling and exhibition construction

Are you looking for **logistics support** for a complex project? The Katoen Natie Business Unit Art supports and coordinates international exhibitions and loans **from start to finish**. We plan the necessary transport and handle customs clearance. Our art handlers assist with the exhibition construction or removal of your collection. Our art handlers receive specific training on how to **package, move and install** your artworks, ranging from large to small items, stone to textile, in a museum or at your own premises.

Courier services

Is your work of art facing a long journey, involving different types of transport? If so, it can be **accompanied to its final destination by a courier**, in accordance with your specific instructions. Upon arrival we can prepare a condition report to verify the state of the item.

Viewing room and photographic studio

Would you like to **display** your items for your customers **in an attractive setting**? Why not do so discreetly in a Katoen Natie viewing room. We will prepare for the visit and ensure that the item is presented in all its splendour.

Katoen Natie can also take **catalogue photographs** of your items or you can use our photographic studio yourself.

Evacuating your collection

An emergency in your exhibition rooms or at your private home? Our art handlers and conservators will immediately be on hand to **evacuate** your collection to an **emergency warehouse**. If necessary, our expert partner will treat or restore the collection.





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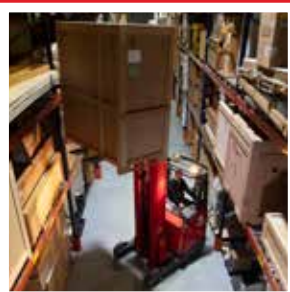


The art of sustainability

We not only have a passion for fine art. Ecology is also one of the guiding principles at Katoen Natie, which is why we proactively invest in sustainable solutions, also at the Katoen Natie Business Unit Art.

- **Green energy.** The electricity for our warehouses is generated on-site by 800,000 m² of solar panels and wind turbines.
- **Optimum insulation.** Our warehouses are insulated to the highest standards in order to minimise energy loss. Moreover, our newest sustainable warehouses are airtight, which eliminates the need for heating.
- **Waste handling.** Our warehouses are equipped with a waste sorting line, enabling the easy sorting of waste materials. Successful sorting is based on sound recycling, resulting in high quality recycled materials.
- **Reuse.** Our customers can reuse second-hand crates and packaging materials at a discount or free of charge.
- **Transport.** Our vehicles comply with the strictest environmental standards.
- **Ecological pest control.** Our external partner uses ecological pest control traps in our warehouses. The on-site treatments are environmentally friendly and free from toxins or gases.
- **Lighting.** We solely use LED lighting with motion sensors. Lamps are never lit unnecessarily.





Would you like more information?

Would you like more information or an initial consultation?

Do you need advice on the design of a warehouse, transport or storage of your items?

The experts at Katoen Natie Business Unit Art will be happy to help you.

Feel free to contact us to arrange an appointment.



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