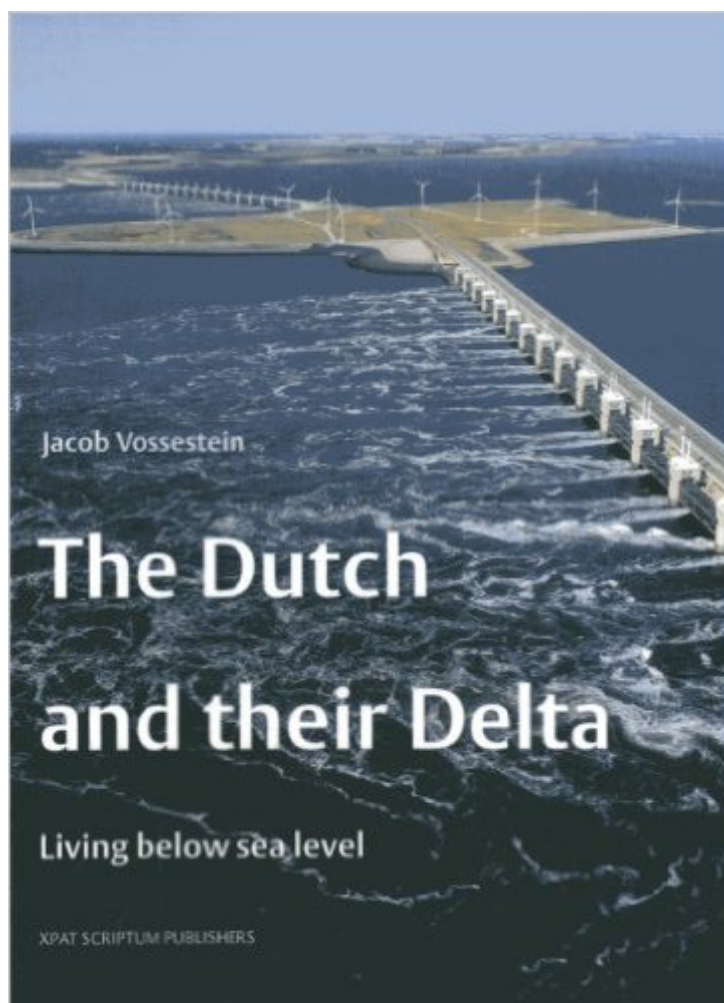


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# The Dutch And Their Delta: Living Below Sea Level



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Well organized book, lovely design, very readable and comprehensive (both historical and

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This book includes text and photos of the Netherlands and it's water management. In times of climate change, The Netherlands needs to be ever more vigilant with it's water management. However, they are building on centuries of gaining expertise how to do this the best way. Therefore the country and it's people are confident to survive. The book provides an excellent overview of water management in The Netherlands.

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