## Brussels





Hugo Daniel and Elisabeth Andriesse first lived in Brussels close to the factory that Hugo managed, the Van den Bergh Ltd. butter factory, in Molenbeek-St. Jean. They soon moved to a more central address located at the Parc de Bruxelles, 81, Avenue de la Toison d'Or. Later, they owned two houses: one at 72, rue Guillaume Stocq, Ixelles, and a three-storey house built in 1910 at 24, Avenue des Klauwaerts, Ixelles, which became their permanent home. From what we know today of their looted collection, the interior must have been richly decorated with Old Master paintings, Oriental rugs, and wall tapestries.

Hugo Andriesse was awarded several official decorations from Belgium, the Netherlands, France, and Spain: Knight of the Order of the Crown of Belgium, Knight of the Order of Orange-Nassau, Commander of the Order of Ouissam Alaouite of Morocco, as well as the Gold Medal of the Spanish Red Cross. Elisabeth Andriesse was also awarded the official decoration of the Knight of the Order of the Crown of Belgium.

Additionally, Hugo Andriesse held several honorary positions and memberships. He was the president of the Dutch Society of Charity in Brussels, Member of the Queen Elisabeth Egyptological Foundation, and an honorary member of the Jewish Congregation of Vlissingen, his hometown. He and his wife Elisabeth were honorary members of the Dutch Society of Charity.

Hugo Daniel and Elisabeth Andriesse frequently made large donations to a variety of social causes and charities. They supported the staff at the Van den Bergh factory, as well as providing funds for ill and impoverished Dutch residents living in Belgium. They established several foundations to empower young people to study at universities. On the occasion of a newly built synagogue in Hugo Andriesse's hometown Vlissingen, he donated not only the surrounding iron fence but also a sumptuous Torah mantle and matching covers for the pulpit and for the cantor's lectern. Newspapers during the early 20th century consistently lauded Hugo Daniel and Elisabeth Andriesse's benevolence and charity, as we can see in the next panel.

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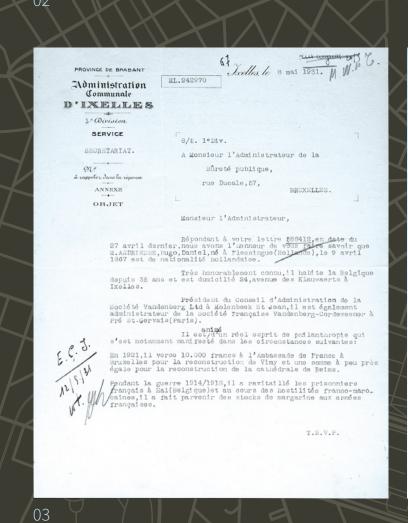
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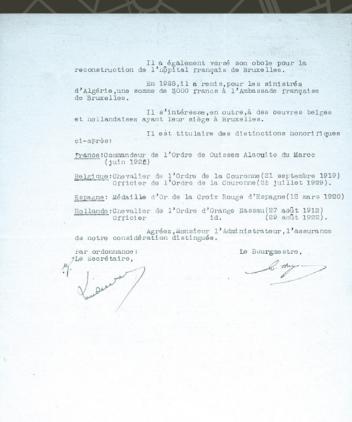
The former home of Hugo Daniel and Elisabeth Andriesse at 24, Avenue des Klauwaerts, Ixelles, built by architect Pierre De Groef in 1910. Street view and architectural drawing of the façade. Inventaire du Patrimoine Architectural. Honorary decorations of Hugo Daniel Andriesse, Nationaal Archief, The Hague. Letter by Ixelles' communal administration regarding Hugo Andriesse's charities and

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