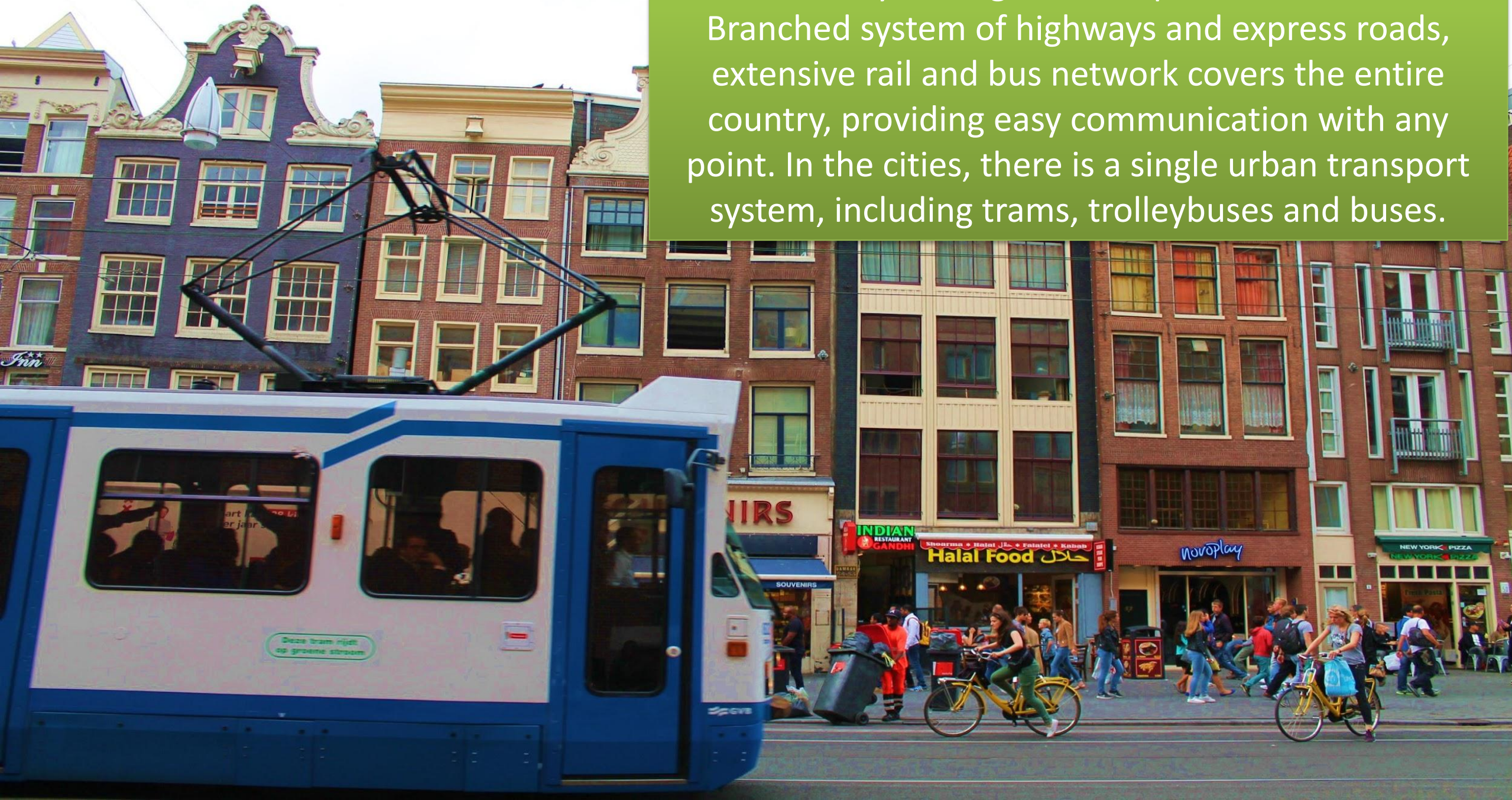


Transport in Netherlands



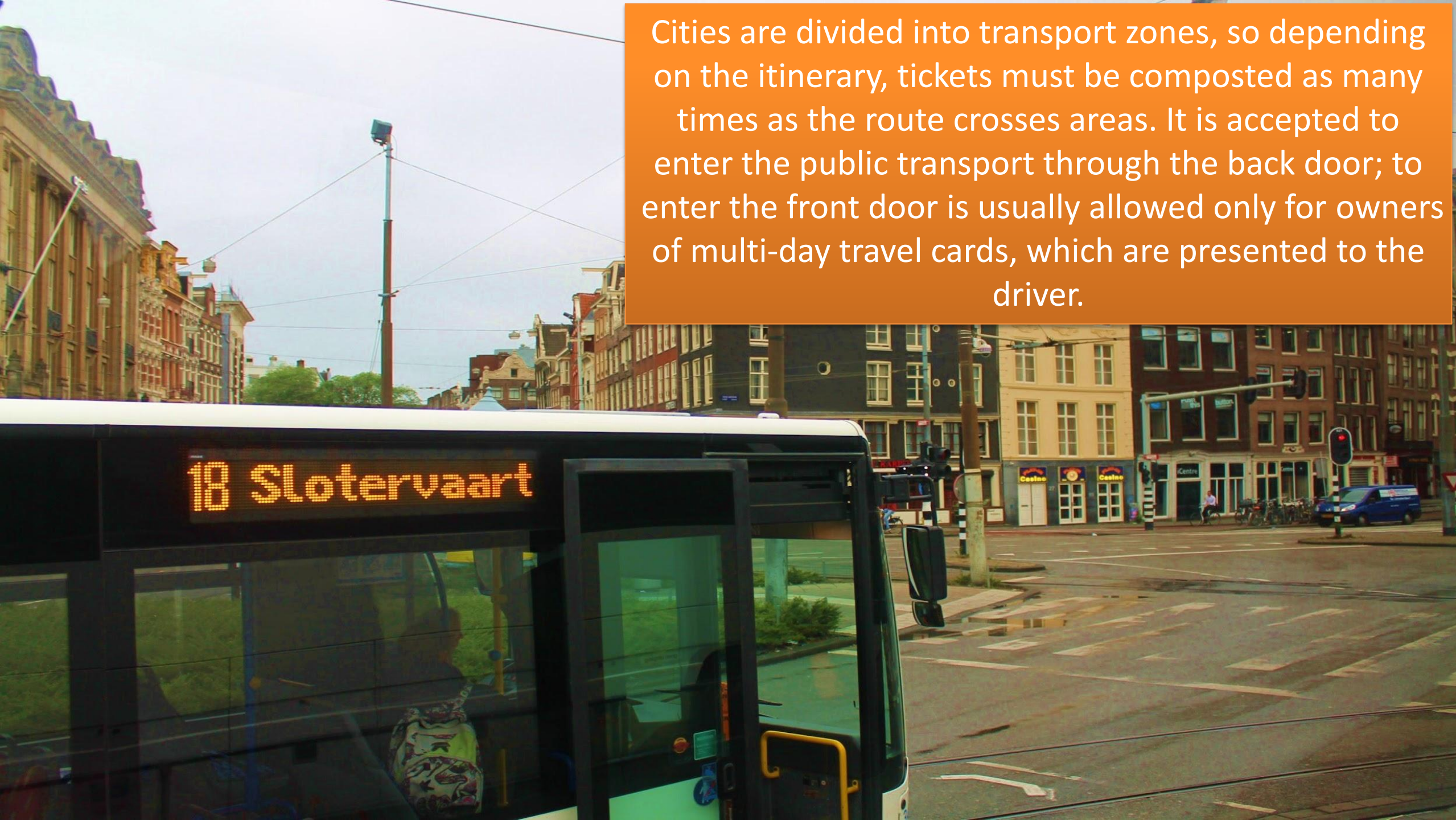
The country has a good transport infrastructure. Branched system of highways and express roads, extensive rail and bus network covers the entire country, providing easy communication with any point. In the cities, there is a single urban transport system, including trams, trolleybuses and buses.



The ticket for one trip is valid for one hour and costs 1.5 euros. It is cheaper to buy reusable tickets, consisting of several coupons, paying for one trip, as well as one-day and 9-day unified travel cards.



Cities are divided into transport zones, so depending on the itinerary, tickets must be composted as many times as the route crosses areas. It is accepted to enter the public transport through the back door; to enter the front door is usually allowed only for owners of multi-day travel cards, which are presented to the driver.



There is a subway in Amsterdam and Rotterdam. The cost of travel on the subway is the same as for other kinds of public transport. Travel cards for all forms of transport can be purchased at the railway stations, at the post office, in some bookstores, in special ticket offices, as well as the from the drivers of trams or buses (only certain types of cards, and a bit more expensive).



Water transport is also widespread – there are various recreational boats, water taxis, etc., but this type of transport is much more expensive than public, and focuses mainly on trips and leisure travelers.



It is interesting that in Amsterdam on the average one citizen has two bicycles. By the way, bicycles - it is also the most stolen vehicles in the Netherlands. Therefore, the locks for a "two-wheeled friends" often are twice as expensive as the bicycles themselves!

But the most popular kind of transport in Netherlands is bicycle. Number of bicycles there exceeds the number of inhabitants of the country. On the roads and streets of the city is necessarily allocated a special place for bicycle lanes, and almost on every corner is available special parking for it. Bicycles can also be rented at special points (3 - 5 euros per day, excluding the amount of bail).





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There is right-hand movement, road condition is excellent. Priority in the order of movement on city streets is given to cyclists. The central lane of many streets reserved for the public transport. Parking on many streets, especially in areas of concentration of attractions and public transport stops, is extremely difficult. On motorways, the speed is limited to 120 km/h, on local highways - 100 km/h, and within settlements area - 50 or even 30 km/h. Also there are mounted police radars everywhere.



A scenic view of a canal in Amsterdam. The water is calm, reflecting the surrounding green trees and colorful buildings. Several boats are moored along the canal, including a blue boat with a red interior and a dark blue boat. In the foreground on the right, there is a large, vibrant bouquet of pink and white petunias. An orange banner with white text is centered over the image.

Thanks for attention!