

### **VENICE - FLORENCE**



### RIALTO, DANTE, PONTE VECCHIO

⇒ self-guided tour

**Bike tour** 

≥ 305-305 km

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Duration: 8 days / 7 nights

### **DESCRIPTION**

Probably the most famous cities of Italy are at the start and end of this cycle tour of outstanding beauty. In between you cycle through an almost unknown Italy. Kiwi, peach, melons, vineyards and sunflowers seam the way, birds are singing and friendly fishermen waving from their pole-huts along the canals. Far off the beaten track you discover typical towns and places. Enjoy a cup of cappuccino in one of the cosy cafes at the attractive piazza and listen to the locals, when they discuss art, culture, sports, or politics while gesticulating heavily. Join their discussion! Come on the tour with us! A wonderful trip is waiting for you! For the first four days, you will cycle on flat terrain. On the sixth day, the route will lead over three to four small hills. On the seventh day, there will be two short climbs and a long descent. You will cycle on dams, farm tracks, and side roads with little traffic. Only very short sections have to be cycled on roads with more traffic. Nearly all of the roads are asphalted. A bike tour for everyone!

### **DETAILED ROUTES**

### P Day 1: Venice mainland/Mestre/Marghera

The hotel is located on the mainland before Venice with excellent bus links to the lagoon city. At the beginning of your tour, not far from Marcus square, you can look forward to a little Grappa tasting session.

### Day 2: Venice mainland/Mestre/Marghera - Chioggia/Sottomarina (approx. 35 km)

In the morning, you will have your tour information. Then you will cycle on the bike path over the Liberty Bridge to Venice. Afterwards, you will take the ferry to Lido and then you will cycle via Pellestrina with stunning views of the sea, to Chioggia, which is a quiet little town, reminiscent of the Venetian naval supremacy, where you can take a rest in one of the typical fish restaurants. Tonight, you will stay in Chioggia/Sottomarina, where there is a wide sandy beach.

### ◆ Day 3: Chioggia/Sottomarina - Adria (approx. 50 km)

On quiet roads you will cycle back to the river Adige, which will lead you through fertile fields, melon plantations, and tranquil villages to Adria - a small, friendly city with lots of charm. Founded by the Etruscans because of its proximity to the rivers Adige and Po, now especially the branched channels, narrow streets, cosy cafes, and friendly people attract visitors.

### ◆ Day 4: Adria - Comacchio/surrounding (approx. 65 km)

You will cycle a short part of today's route along the longest river in Italy, the river Po. Then, one of its branches, called Po di Goro, will lead you right through its delta towards the sea. Perhaps you want to cool off in the Adriatic Sea before you get to the charming town of Comacchio? Magnificent palazzi, ornate churches, and numerous bridges still bear witness of the prosperity once gained by salt production.

# ◆ Day 5: Comacchio/surrounding - Ravenna (approx. 65 km)

The first half of the day's bike tour is dedicated to the natural park "Delta del Po" with its unique flora and fauna. Riding your bike on a dam, you will feel like cycling straight through the water while flamingos are nesting only a few metres away from you. After one short ferry ride (tickets not included in the tour price, about €2) you will reach the Adriatic Sea. There are wide beaches on the way to Ravenna, where you will be enchanted by the art and culture of the port city.

### P Day 6: Ravenna - Brisighella (approx. 55 km)

The foothills of the Apennines form gently rolling hills which change the landscape. Even earlier, on the edge of the vast plains, you will get to Faenza – an enchanting little city where world-famous ceramics are produced. The artists will be happy to let you watch while they are painting the artefacts. Now it is not far to Brisighella anymore – an idyllic, medieval village, overlooked by the Rocca Veneziana and the Torre Orologio. Tranquillity and pure relaxation are waiting for the cyclists

### **♀** Day 7: Brisighella - Florence

### (approx. 35 km + train journey)

The day starts with a wonderful train journey through the wild mountain world of the Apennines to Borgo San Lorenzo. Today, you will cycle up two short climbs. Your reward will be a fantastic descent via Fiesole to Florence, the history-charged capital of Tuscany

# • Day 8: Florence

This tour can be combined with the tours: Bolzano- Venice, Florence- Rome or Tuscany

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

• Classification: self-guided tour

• Duration: 8 days / 7 nights

• Distance: ca. 305-305 km

Starting point: Venedig

• Arrival:

By train: train station Mestre/Venice By plane: Treviso and Venice airports

#### Accomodation:

Hotels of the 3\*\*\* and 4\*\*\*\* category

Attention: Tourist tax, if due, it's not included in the price

#### • Parking:

Car park/ garage at the hotel costs approx. € 60.00 per week (to be paid at the time,no reservation possible)

#### • Rental bikes:

21-gears UNISEX bicycle

27-gears bike PLUS with free wheel and crossbar (sportier and lighter, more quality in the saddle) Electro bike (on request, limited availability; UNISEX)

(All bikes are UNISEX bikes - men's bicycle upon request)

#### • Transfer:

Return transfer by minibus to Venice, on Sundays morning, € 109.00 per person and € 39.00 per own bike (reservation necessary)

#### **INCLUDED SERVICES**

- Accommodation in 3\*\*\* and 4\*\*\*\* hotels
- Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- · Personal tour information
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Train journey from Brisighella Borgo San Lorenzo, incl. bike
- 1x little Grappa tasting session in Venice
- 24-hours-ticket for Venice (only public transport)
- Detailed travel documents 1x room (DE; EN;
  FR with maps, route description, places to

#### **NON INCLUDED SERVICES**

- · Arrival to the starting point of the tour
- Departure at the end of the tour
- · Drinks, tourist tax and all extras
- Lunch, Dinner
- Not mentioned entries
- Rental bikes and Travel insurance
- Bicycle ticket for the ferry in Venice (approx.
  € 5.00 / bicycle)
- Ferry to Marina di Ravenna (approx. €5.00 / bicycle)

visit, important telephone numbers)

- Well planned routes
- navigations APP and GPS tracks
- Telephone service hotline for the entire tour
- All not expressly mentioned under the item "Included services"

#### STARTING DATES



#### **PRICES**

Standard		
Package price in a double room	from 30/03/2024 to 12/10/2024	1.259 €
Package price in a double room	from 13/04/2024 to 21/09/2024	1.299 €
Package price high season	from 11/05/2024 to 31/08/2024	1.379 €
Single room surcharge		379 €
Additional services		
own bike		0€
rental bike 21-gear (women)		99 €
rental bike 21-gear (men)		99 €
Rental bike PLUS		169 €
Rental electric bike		259€

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