



ROAD BIKE TOUR AT THE FOOD OF UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE



Racing bike

ط 402-402 km

••o Medium

Duration: 8 days / 7 nights



DESCRIPTION

The Dolomites are your constant companions during this round tour at the foot of the legendary "PALE MOUNTAINS", on the list of UNESCO world heritage due to their "unique monumental beauty". A marvellous landscape with bizarre rock formations, crystal clear lakes and flourishing fruitand wine yards are waiting to be enjoyed. Start point of this tour is the valley Hochpustertal, demarcating the Dolomites towards the North. Then you continue along the Eisacktal and Etschtal Valleys, forming the west boarder, passing South Tyrol's capital Bolzano and reaching Trento. On the southern part of the Dolomites you will cycle through the Valsugana Valley to Feltre. The former Dolomites railway track will lead you into the direction of the Olympic town Cortina d'Ampezzo. Finally you will greet the famous Three Peaks from the Höhlensteintal and you turn back to the Hochpustertal. Sporty cycling tour for road bikers with a basic training on little trafficked roads (except during high season July/August).

DETAILED ROUTES

Pay 1: Arrival in Alta Pusteria (Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco)

Individual arrival at the hotel in Alta Pusteria. Free, unquarded public car park near the hotel.

Pay 2: Alta Pusteria - Mühlbach

(approx. 78 km, ascent 1416 m difference in altitude)

The first part of your cycling day leads along the river Rienz which accompanies you to Valdaora before you cycle over the Furkelpass into the Ladin-speaking valley Gadertal and back to the main valley Pustertal into the Michael- Pacher-town Brunico. After a short ascent on the sunny high plateau with its villages Falzes, Issengo and Terento you will get to the ruins of Mühlbacher Klause into the Eisacktal your target for today.

Pay 3: Mühlbach - Bozen

(approx. 55 km, ascent 462 m difference in altitude)

Today, shortly before Brixen, you cycle past the monastery complex of Neustift or the Franzensfeste fortress, both of which invite you to visit. In Bressanone, it is worth taking a walk through the well-kept old town with its arcades and cathedral. From afar you are greeted by the Säben monastery, which stands high above Klausen and you cycle along the Eisack river to Waidbruck, where the view of the Trostburg castle opens up to you. Here the valley narrows and leads you into the Bolzano basin and your destination for today, the city where two cultures meet. There are numerous possibilities to spend the afternoon strolling under the arcades of Bolzano or on the alpine meadows, visiting "Ötzi", the "oldest Tyrolean" in the archaeological museum, or simply enjoying a cappuccino in one of the numerous cafés on the Waltherplatz.

Pay 4: Bozen − Trento

(approx. 90 km, ascent 827 m difference in altitude)

Today you follow the Etsch river and leave South Tyrol at the Salurner Klause, the border between the German-speaking South Tyrol and the Italian-speaking Trentino. Fruit trees and vine lines your way to the former episcopal city of Trento, which is with its inviting old town and Buonconsiglio Castle.

♀ Day 5: Trento – Feltre

(approx. 107 km, ascent 2511 m difference in altitude; or 82 km + 25 km by train, ticket not included)

You cycle past Lake Caldonazzo, which also invites you to stay. The first section to Caldonazzo is relatively steep and can also be shortened by train. The route continues through the impressive Valsugana valley to Feltre, a small town on the former "Via Claudia Augusta".

Day 6: Feltre - Pieve di Cadore

(approx. 124 km, ascent 2600 m difference in altitude)

Through deciduous forest avenues you reach Belluno, the small capital of the province of the same name. Today's route is lined with picturesque little villages that invite you to stop. In the north, your sight falls back to the mighty southern Dolomites, your companions on your first stages. You continue your way north past Longarone. This village was rebuilt in a very short time, after it was destroyed by a rockslide in 1963 the former Vajont dam and was flooded by a tidal wave. The newly built cycle path leads from Longarone to Pieve di Cadore, your destination for today.

Pay 7: Pieve di Cadore - Alta Pusteria

(approx. 91 km, ascent 1551m difference in altitude)

Pure nature, that is the motto of today. The most important and largest stopover on the railway was the wellknown winter sports and Olympic venue Cortina d'Ampezzo, where you will also cycle past today - surrounded by some of the most famous Dolomite peaks. Continue along the route of the Dolomite railway to the border of the province of Belluno and finally return to South Tyrol. Enjoy the panoramic view of the rock formation of the "Three Peaks".

₱ Day 8: Alta Pusteria (Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco)
Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Classification: self-guided tour

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Distance: ca. 402-402 kmStarting point: Toblach

• Arrival:

By car: By car on the Brenner/Brennero motorway (A22) to Brixen/Bressanone – take the exit Brixen/Bressanone – Pustertal/Val Pusteria, then through the valley Pustertal/Valle Pusteria (SS49) to Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco, depending on the location of your hotel or drive along the Felbertauernstraße to Lienz in Eastern Tyrol (Austria) and then further into Italy through the valley Pustertal/Valle Pusteria to Toblach/Dobbiaco or Niederdorf/Villabassa, depending on the location of your hotel.

By train: Take the train from Innsbruck over the Brenner/Brennero to Franzensfeste/Fortezza. Change the train to the Pustertal/Valle Pusteria - Lienz and get off either at Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco depending on the location of your hotel. Timetable available on: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com.

By plane: Low cost flights are available to Innsbruck airport, "Sant' Angelo - Antonio Canova" airport in Treviso and/or to the Marco Polo airport in Venice. On request, we can organize transfers from the airport to the starting point of the cycle tour.

Accomodation:

Hotels 3*** category.

Attention: Tourist tax - if requested - has to be paid on the spot!

• Parking:

Free unattended parking facilities for the duration of the bicycle tour at a nearby public parking area.

Rental bikes:

Pinarello Prince Carbon Mod. 2020 - Shimano 11V (on request, limited availability) or similar version.

INCLUDED SERVICES

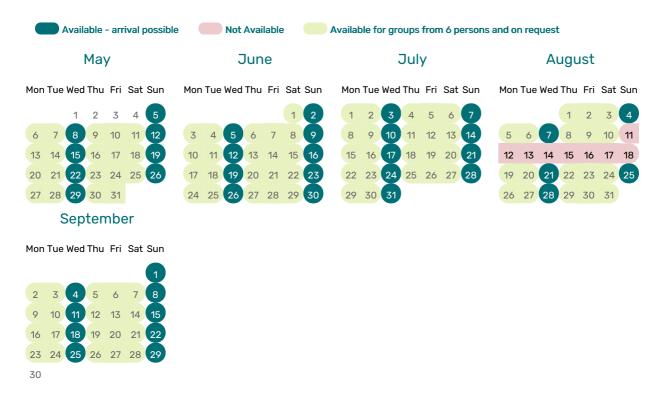
- Accommodation in hotels 3*** category
- · Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- Videobriefing
- · Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- · Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, GPS tracks, places to visit, important telephone numbers)
- Telephone service hotline for the entire tour

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
- All not expressly mentioned under the item "Included services"



STARTING DATES



PRICES

Standard		
Package price in a double room	from 05/05/2024 to 29/09/2024	819 €
Package price high season	from 16/06/2024 to 08/09/2024	895 €
Single room surcharge		229 €
Additional services		
own bike		0€
Road bike		280€
Additional nights		
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