






CHESTNUT WALK AND WINE ROUTE

 self-guided tour

 Hike

 00-00 km

●○○ Easy

Duration: 6 days / 5 nights

12 years and older



DESCRIPTION

From the old bishops' town of Bressanone you will hike into the capital town of South Tyrol, Bolzano and ending into the spa town of Meran with its mediterranean flair. The first part of the walk goes along the Chestnut Path (Keschtnweg) before presenting you a vista of the beautiful plateau south of the Dolomites above Bolzano. You pass close to the village of Renon, the "in" summer place for the rich from the capital city's residents. Vineyards and orchards line the way on the hike through one of the most beautiful areas located in the centre of the South Tyrolean wine region. Lake Kalterer See, the most famous lake in South Tyrol, is a further highlight on this route. Castles, palaces and manor houses emboss the landscape of the South Tyrolean Wine Route where numerous wineries avail a tasting of superb wines. The excellent cuisine and the amazing panoramacreate an unforgettable experience. This hike runs along well-marked paths around meadows and through forests. The Dolomites are always in view and the paths offer no element of danger. You can use public transport on some of the routes to shorten the journey. The tour is suitable for

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DETAILED ROUTES

📍 Day 1: Brixen/Bressanone

Individual arrival at the hotel in Bressanone.

📍 Day 2: Brixen/Bressanone – Klausen/Chiusa

(ascent approx. 580 m, descent approx. 620 m / approx. 5 hours)

From Bressanone you hike up to the Pfeffersberg. You pass small hamlets and mountain farms on your way along the plateau. To the south you have a wonderful view on the Dolomite summits. You reach Velturno and carry on to cloister Säben, the acropolis of South Tyrol, before arriving in the small town of Chiusa.

📍 Day 3: Klausen/Chiusa – Ritten/Renon – Bozen/Bolzano

(ascent approx. 670 m, descent approx. 280 m / approx. 5-6 hours)

After a short transfer by bus to Barbiano/Saubach, you reach Renon, a wonderful plateau above the Eisacktal valley with impressive view of the Dolomites and the Schlern. After passing the Earth Pyramids, you can enjoy an afternoon trip with the Renon's cable car which brings you from Soprabolzano back down to Bolzano. In the evening, you can discover this European city, a place where the Italian and South Tyrolean cultures are closely entwined. To shorten the route you can take Renon's cable car from Collalbo to Soprabolzano.

📍 Day 4: Bozen/Bolzano – Lake Kalterer See/village – Bozen/Bolzano

(ascent approx. 340 m, descent approx. 360 m / approx. 4-5 hours)

The sunny south of South Tyrol is awaiting you! Today you will discover the area around South Tyrol's most famous lake, Kalterer See, a renowned wine growing region. But here, it is not only the vineyards that impress, but also the numerous castles, manor houses, churches and farms. A must for every wine lover is a visit to the South Tyrolean wine museum in Caldaro, which gives an insight into the history of South Tyrolean wines. The way from the lake Kalterer See to the village can be shortened by using the bus. Return to Bolzano by public bus.

📍 Day 5: Bozen/Bolzano – Lana – Meran/Merano

(ascent approx. 220 m, descent approx. 240 m / approx. 6-7 hours)

After breakfast you take a train to Lana (ticket included). Shortly after Lana the hiking route continues along the famous Marlinger Waale – the longest irrigation ditch in South Tyrol. These irrigation ditches known as 'Waale' were constructed hundreds of years ago to supply dry corridors with water. These ditches nowadays are used for hiking and walking. The route continues below Schloss Tyrol along the famous Tappeiner Weg towards Merano. The Empress Sissi knew how to appreciate the mild climate. Inviting centuries old Arbours and superb parks add to the completion of a perfect day.

📍 Day 6: Meran/Merano

Individual departure from Meran/Merano or possibility to extend your stay.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Classification:** self-guided tour
- **Duration:** 6 days / 5 nights
- **Distance:** ca. 00-00 km
- **Starting point:** Brixen
- **Arrival:**

By car: On the Brenner/Brennero motorway (A22) to Brixen/Bressanone or over the Felbertauernstraße to Lienz in Eastern Tyrol (Austria) and then further on through the valley Pustertal/Val Pusteria on the SS49 to Brixen/Bressanone.

By train: Take a train from Innsbruck to Brixen/Bressanone. Arriving from the south over Verona and Bozen/Bolzano to Brixen/Bressanone. Arriving from east over Lienz to Brixen/Bressanone. Timetable available on: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com.

By plane: Nearest airports are Innsbruck airport (approx. 83 km), Verona Villafranca airport (approx. 191 km), Treviso airport (approx. 228 km), Venice Marco Polo airport (approx. 313 km).

- **Accommodation:**

Guesthouses and hotels 3***, partly 4**** category.

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

- **Parking:**

Parking facilities at Brixen/Bressanone at the hotel of your arrival: Reservation not possible; to be paid directly in the hotel.

- **Transfer:**

Good train-connections on the main line Meran-Bozen-Brixen/Merano-Bolzano-Bressanone. Timetable on: www.trenitalia.com, www.sii.bz.it.

INCLUDED SERVICES

- Accommodation in guesthouses and hotels 3***, partly 4**** category
- Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- Videobriefing
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Tickets for transfers according to the program
- Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, route description, 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
- Travel insurance
- All not expressly mentioned under the item „Included services“

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- Navigation app; GPS data

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STARTING DATES



PRICES

Standard		
Package price in a double room	Arrive 12/04/2025	599 €
Package price in a double room	from 16/04/2025 to 09/07/2025	719 €
Package price high season	from 12/07/2025 to 04/10/2025	799 €
Additional services		
no bike		0 €
Additional nights		
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