





### **DESCRIPTION**

In a week across the Alps to the Adriatic Sea - that sounds like hard work! It is not quite as exhausting, if you choose the Alpe Adria cycle route. The route is well-marked and suitable for both beginners and experienced cyclists. The Alpe Adria cycle path offers a breathtaking connection between the Alps and the Adriatic coast. The path leads through picturesque landscapes, charming villages and historic towns. The beautiful mountain landscapes are particularly impressive. Cycling on the Via Julia Augusta you pass Palmanova and Aquileia and get to the fishing village of Grado and to the city of Habsburg Trieste. The tour runs along bike paths or very quiet side roads, through small villages and picturesque landscape. The section ober the Pass Lueg can also be bypassed by train. The tour is suitable for children over 16 years.

#### **DETAILED ROUTES**

P DAY 1: Salzburg

Individual arrival at the starting hotel in Salzburg. A bicycle trip could not start more impressively than in Salzburg, the city of Mozart. You are surrounded by so many Baroque monuments in this beautiful old town. Take some delicious Mozartkugeln (typical Austrian confectionary) on your journey to the sea.

DAY 2: Salzburg – Bischofshofen/St. Johann (approx. 60 km)

With a view of the fortress Hohensalzburg you leave the city. In the distance the mountains are already visible. The first section takes you along the Salzach. On the way you will pass the former summer residence of the Salzburger Bishops, Hellbrunn palace. For more than 400 years, the extraordinary water games have been a delight for young and old. On the Tauern cycle path, the journey continues in the direction of Hallein, known for its crooked townhouses and above all for the white gold - salt. Another highlight on the way is the waterfall in Golling.

DAY 3: Bischofshofen/St. Johann – Villach (approx. 45 km + transfer)

Today's stage begins in the direction of Schwarzach. From Schwarzach you take a shuttle bus to Spittal an der Drau. As soon as you are back on your bike, you cycle the last section of the stage on the Drau cycle path to Villach.

PDAY 4: Villach – Tarvisio/Camporosso (approx. 40 km)

Following the river Gail you leave Villach behind and shortly after you say goodbye to Austria and enter Italy. In the three-nation corner Italy-Austria-Slovenia extends the Kanaltal valley, whose main centre is the town of Tarvisio, on the Italian border. Here Austrians, Slovenes, Friulians and Italians have been living together for hundreds of years, because all the three big European language families – Teutons, Romans and Slavs – join there. The town of Tarvisio is not only one of the most important mountain resorts of Friuli Venezia Giulia, but it is also famous for its winter offer in this region. Continuing through the valley of Kanaltal you can admire the beauty of the Friuli-Alps-Region with an intact, unspoilt nature and vast, intact forests. If you want, you can take the train (ticket not included) to Tarvisio or Ugovizza and shorten a part of the route.

PDAY 5: Tarvisio - Venzone/surroundings (approx. 55 km)

Tarvisio, a small town - surrounded by wide valleys and forests - in a modern guise, with an old soul and full of traditions , is the starting point of your cycle tour today. It is not only one of the most important mountain resorts in Friuli Venezia Giulia, but is also one of the skiing centres of this region. Continuing through the Canale valley, you can admire the beauty of the Friulian Alpine region from the saddle with its unspoilt, untouched nature and extensive forests.

DAY 6: Venzone/surroundings – Udine (approx. 55 km)

The small town of Gemona del Friuli, situated at the southern end of the Kanaltal Valley and at the foothills of the Julian Alps, is considered one of the most beautiful historic towns in Friuli Venezia Giulia. Hills full of vineyards

line your way and invite you to taste some local wine. The town of Udine, characterised by Venetian influences, radiates peace and tranquillity; over a coffee in the "piazza" or a stroll through the city centre you can admire its impressive buildings of the late Gothic and Renaissance.

DAY 7: Udine – Grado (approx. 55 km)

Accompanied by the breeze of the Scirocco you pass through reed landscapes and water canals and arrive to Grado, a historic city of fishers and one of the most popular beach resorts on the Adriatic sea. Along the way the city of Palmanova - UNESCO World Heritage Site- and the extensive excavation areas of the ancient city of Aquileia await your visit.

DAY 8: Grado - Trieste
(approx. 40 km + train ride or 60 km)

The rough karst accompanies you through the hinterland on the way to the Adriatic Sea. Following a breathtakingly beautiful coastal area, you cycle to your destination. Miramare Palace invites you for a last visit before you enter the former Habsburg city of Trieste. The old port and commercial city is a worthy conclusion of this bike trip. If you want, you can shorten the last part of this stage from Monfalcone to Trieste by train (ticket not included in the price).

PDAY 9: Trieste
Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay on the Adriatic Sea.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Classification: self-guided tour

• Duration: 9 days / 8 nights

• Distance: ca. 315-355 km

• Starting point: Salzburg

• Arrival:

By car: Salzburg is well connected to international motorways, and this makes the city easy to reach. If you reach the City of Mozart from Austria, take the A1 or A10 Motorway, or drive in from Germany on the A8.

By train: by offering numerous domestic as well as international connections, Salzburg Main Station is the most important rail hub in Western Austria. And since it lies right on the border with Germany, the station is administered jointly by Austrian Railways (ÖBB) and the German Rail (DB). Timetables on: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com.

By plane: Salzburg W. A. Mozart Airport is the second-largest airport in Austria and is served by several different airlines. Furthermore, the major international airports in Vienna and Munich are only about 2 to 3 hours away using public transportation.

#### Accomodation:

Guesthouses and hotels 3\*\* and 4\*\*\* category

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

#### · Parking:

We suggest the public parking at the train station or at the airport - reservation not possible.

#### • Rental bikes:

21-gears bicycle (woman and man model)

TOP bike (unisex model - man model on request)

E-bike (unisex model, 500 W battery; range up to 100 km)

It is possible to add a rental bike disclaimer to your booking. Price is € 24/ per trekking bike and € 49/ per TOP bike/ e-bike /mountain bike. For more information we recommend to rewiew our Terms and Conditions.

#### • Transfer:

Return transfer every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Saturday and Sunday from Grado to Salzburg by shuttle bus  $- \le 195.00$  per person  $+ \le 39.00$  per own bike (reservation required, payment upon booking).

#### **INCLUDED SERVICES**

- Accommodation in guesthouses and hotels 3\*\* and 4\*\*\* category
- Breakfast

# NON INCLUDED SERVICES

- Arrival to the starting point of the tour
- · Departure at the end of the tour

- Videobriefing
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Transfer Schwarzach Spittal an der Drau
- Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, route description, places to visit, important telephone numbers)
- Telephone service hotline for the entire tour
- Navigation App

- 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 26/04/2025 to 16/07/2025	1.129 €
Package price high season	from 26/04/2025 to 16/07/2025	1.129 €
Additional services		
own bike		0€
Rental bike 21-gear (women) 9,8		129 €
Rental bike 21-gear (men) 9,8		129 €
Rental electric bike 9,8		289 €
Rental bike TOP (men) 9,8		195 €
TOP bike (unisex) 9,8		195 €
Additional nights		

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