Beaune Star Tour

This bike tour is a short tour to experience the charming wine town of Beaune and the wines of Cote de Nuits and Cote de Beaune. The format accommodates cyclists of various abilities, or even non-cyclists who might rather do some cooking programs, minivan wine tours, or simply stroll the cobblestone pedestrian streets of Beaune! On the bike you can visit some names such as Meursault, Pommard, Puligny-Montrachet, Vougeot, and others. You have time to discover the charming city of Beaune, and most notably its famous Hospices which was founded in 1443. While in Beaune you can also visit its museums and walk its old cobbled streets. Dinner is open each night; that keeps the cost down and allows you to experience the fullest possibilities of the famous Burgundy cuisine!

Duration: week
Price: from 590 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Beaune

Arriving in the wine capital, the city of Beaune, you have a little time to explore this city and some of its treasures including the Hotel Dieu (hospices) before or after your arrival orientation in the evening. Dinner on your own in town, and free time to visit. Night in centrally located 3 star hotel with large rooms. Wine tastings and guided programs are available when booked in advance.

Multiple Loop Options around Beaune

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- Cotes de Beaunes vineyard area (22-48km/14-30mi): You will visit Meursault, Puligny-Montrachet, Chagny, Pommard, and then return to Beaune. You will find many opportunities to taste and purchase products along the way. Stay overnight in Beaune.
- Cotes de Beaunes - challenging option (52km/31mi): this itinerary include the first one + Rochepot Baubigny and Nolay (more challenging ride)
- Loop around Beaune to Savigny les Beaune (28km/18mi): This itinerary will take you towards Savigny les Beaune, a small village between the Corton Mountain and Beaune. Savigny is part of a very old vineyards which used to belong to the local Dukes and Abbeys. Its 14th C. Castle still reflects the pride and status this vineyard used to have.
- Loop around to Chateauneuf (up to 73km/43mi): Ride to Chateauneuf, a beautifully quaint French wine country village over-looking the vineyard land of the Cote dOr and the Bourgogne Canal and with its Castle known as one of Burgundys jewels of medieval architecture. This ride is a little bit more challenging due to the distance, but definitely worth it! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Gordes Provencal Escape

This Provence bike tour is based in Gordes, where you will spend 4 nights in the same hotel of your choice (3 or 4-star accommodations). Standing opposite the Luberon, perched on the foothills of the Vaucluse Plateau, the dry stone buildings of Gordes seem to reach for the blue sky. Its fortified Chateau from the 11th century and its church dominate the buildings, which seem to melt into the rock. Just a few miles north, is the Abbey de Senanque, situated in a small valley and surrounded by lavender fields. If you decide to go south, you can stop to visit an ancient oil press and the Musee du Vitrail, which tells the story of stained and painted glass. On this cycling tour, you will be provided with different itineraries allowing you to discover the many landscapes and villages of Provence, and each day you can choose which ride is better for you: short, long, challenging, easy.

Duration: week
Price: from 870 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
**Itinerary**

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### Arrive in Avignon & transfer to Gordes

Upon arrival in Avignon, you will be met for transfer to Gordes. You will have orientation and bike set up at the hotel in Gordes, and then you are free to explore the rest of the day in this charming village. Dinner included.

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- **The Ochre Hills in Roussillon and the town of Apt (67km/41mi):** A moderate ride through an area famous for its Ochre hills before going to Apt and Roussillon, the center of Ochre.
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Departure Day

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Loire Valley Star

The valleys of the Loire, Cher and Indre rivers are a harmonious combination of non navigated rivers, rich vineyards and vast forests. Discover the landscapes, unspoiled nature, beautiful gardens and breathtaking castles of the Loire Valley on your bike. The terrain is wonderful for bicycle riding - mostly flat to rolling - and is filled with rivers, trees, and colors. On this bike tour, you will explore the area around Amboise. The program is perfect for families or those looking to have some easier cycling options. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood.

Duration: week
Price: from 590 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Amboise

From Paris, you can either take a direct train to Amboise, or ride the TGV to Saint Pierre des Corps and then a local train to Amboise. Transfer on your own to Amboise and settle at your deluxe 4 star hotel. Arrive in the early afternoon and start discovering your host city with a treasure hunt around Amboise! Once you are done, we will meet you at the hotel for your orientation, bike set up and see how you did on the treasure hunt! (we suggest arriving around 2pm to have time to do the treasure hunt). Dinner on your own in town.

Chenonceau with Canoe Trip!

Canoeing and chocolate tasting! A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the fabulous Chenonceau Castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Once at Chenonceau, ride to Civray, just a mile away to start your canoe ride! You will drop off your bikes there, and they will take you to the start of the itinerary. You will then canoe downstream for almost 2 hours, and pass under the Chateau de Chenonceau. Pick up your bikes and ride back to Amboise where you can enjoy a reward: a chocolate tasting in front of the chateau of Amboise! Return to the same hotel and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Vouvray Vineyards

A quiet bike tour on the other side of the Loire through gentle, verdant landscapes, far removed from the main roads - visit the Moncontour wine museum and taste some wine in their cave (included). About Vouvray wines: Vouvray is the largest white wine appellation of the Anjou-Saumur-Touraine region and it produces splendid wines from the dry and austere to the richest dessert wines, as well as excellent sparkling wines. You will then cross Montlouis white wine appellation and ride in the middle of the vineyards on a bike trail. Return to the same hotel and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Chaumont sur Loire

From Amboise you will first cross many typical small villages where you can find a small Chateau in almost every one! Then follow the Loire river toward the village and the feudal castle of Chaumont sur Loire where the annual International Garden Festival is held each year (starting in June). Return
to Amboise via back country paths. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

Today is departure day, you can take your time getting started in the morning, have breakfast and depart at your leisure. Other cycling itineraries are possible if you wish to extend this type of tour a little longer. We can offer rides to Montlouis vineyards, Montrichard and its medieval castle ruin, or by round trip train to Blois you can ride toward Chambord. Breakfast included.

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- Chocolate tasting
- Wine tasting
- Treasure hunt
- Canoe
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**What’s not included**

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Provence Star

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**Arrive in Avignon**

Upon arrival in Avignon, you can take a taxi to arrive at your charming hotel in the center of Avignon just near to the Palais des Papes in central Avignon. After checkin, you are free to explore the rest of the day in this charming town. We leave the treasure hunt program for you to do on your own this afternoon and then we will correct it at orientation the next day. Dinner on your own. In three riding days, you can choose from several itineraries, the following itineraries are examples. We can also suggest some longer, more challenging rides for those interested. This format allows for people of all abilities to come along, including non-riding participants. We can suggest visits by car and arrange spa treatments among many possible ways to spend an exciting day in the Avignon area!

**Canoe & Pont du Gard**

We will come to meet you and do an orientation to get you well started on your activities. Meet at the hotel at 9am. Then, we will drive you (and your group) to Collias where you can start a canoe trip. We will transfer you with your bikes so after the canoe trip you can return back to the hotel by bike. This is your day to see the Pont du Gard, the 2000+ year old Roman aquaduct spanning the Gardon River on which you will canoe! The Pont du Gard is a marvel of history and a nice ride by bicycle through fragrant Provence approximately 31 km. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Loop to Chateauneuf du Pape**

Today is a loop to Chateauneuf du Pape. This charming wine village just to the north of Avignon is a perfect first ride. It is flat and picturesque with vines surrounding the old town of Chateauneuf. You have all day and mostly flat terrain to cover and a lunch in Chateauneuf with the local product is highly recommended before visting and return to Avignon. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Loop to Barbentane and Graveson**

Today is a loop to Barbentane and Graveson, 42km. This loop trip travels to the south of Avignon to visit these charming villages and where you can stop and visit the Abbey of Saint Michel de Frigolet from the 10th century. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included. Suggestions for non-riders: as you are so close to sites in central Avignon, there are numerous activities: Palais des Papes (Popes Palace), Avignon Bridge, walking the old streets of Avignon and visiting museums, or especially the arts. In July, the Festival of Avignon is a huge performing arts program at multiple venues. Day trips

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by minivan are easily arranged by us as well to lavender sites, olive presses, and villages of the Luberon and beyond.

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This Provence bike tour is based in Gordes, where you will spend 4 nights in the same hotel of your choice (3 or 4-star accommodations). Standing opposite the Luberon, perched on the foothills of the Vaucluse Plateau, the dry stone buildings of Gordes seem to reach for the blue sky. Its fortified Chateau from the 11th century and its church dominate the buildings, which seem to melt into the rock. Just a few miles north, is the Abbey de Senanque, situated in a small valley and surrounded by lavender fields. If you decide to go south, you can stop to visit an ancient oil press and the Musee du Vitrail, which tells the story of stained and painted glass. On this cycling tour, you will be provided with different itineraries allowing you to discover the many landscapes and villages of Provence, and each day you can choose which ride is better for you: short, long, challenging, easy.

Duration: week
Price: from 870 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
**Itinerary**

_Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions._

### Arrive in Avignon & transfer to Gordes

Upon arrival in Avignon, you will be met for transfer to Gordes. You will have orientation and bike set up at the hotel in Gordes, and then you are free to explore the rest of the day in this charming village. Dinner included.

### Multiple Loop Options

In three riding days, you can choose from several itineraries, the following itineraries are examples. We can also suggest some longer, more challenging rides for those interested. 2 dinners included during your stay. Breakfast included every day. This format allows for people of all abilities to come along, including non-riding participants. We can suggest visits by car and arrange spa treatments among many possible ways to spend an exciting day in Gordes/Provence! The Ochre Hills in Roussillon and the town of Apt (67km/41mi): A moderate ride through an area famous for its Ochre hills before going to Apt and Roussillon, the center of Ochre. Isle sur la Sorgue (39km/24mi): Charming town located on the river Sorgue. Includes visit of Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, village with a refreshing temperature due to the spring where the river Sorgue begins. This ride is best when done on a Sunday, because of the outside market and antique fair in Isle-sur-la-Sorgue. Bedoin/Mont Ventoux (89km/55mi): Hilly ride through the magnificent landscapes of the Vaucluse with a longer ride option to Mont Ventoux. On your way, you can stop at the Abbey of Senanque. Then you will go through a small mountain chain before reaching Venasque, one of France's most beautiful villages, on a hilltop with a splendid view of the area. If you choose to continue, you can go to Carpentras via small roads. The Murs Pass (3 options; 26/28/42km - 16/17/28mi): A beautiful and hilly ride, which will allow you to enjoy the forest and nature on this tour on the Murs Pass. 28km itinerary goes to Abbaye de Senanque 42km version includes both options. Valley of the Luberon (51km/31mi): this area became famous through the book «One Year in Provence» by Peter Mayle. Nice tour through the fossil village of Oppède-le-Vieux, Ménerbes (where Peter Mayle lived), Lacoste, Bonnieux and the Castle of Marquis de Sade.

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Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Transfer back to Avignon is included in the morning. Extra nights are possible, please contact us for a quote. Allow 1 hour travel time in transfer for planning train tickets.
What's included

4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, 2 dinners included, Orientation in person with our local guide, Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, Comprehensive trip literature, All luggage transfers, Technical and emergency support available at all times

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Loire Valley Secrets

This Loire Valley Cycling Tour was created to take you to another part of the region not covered by other trips, and do it at a reasonable rate. The tranquil waters of the Loire, Indre, and Cher rivers flow into one in the heart of this scenic region known for its vineyards, orchards, and magnificent castles. The flat-to-rolling terrain is perfect for cycling and is filled with trees and colors. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. This tour starts in Joue les Tours at the edge of Tours, an important cultural town with historical sites to explore. The cycling will take you to chateaux that are open to visit such as Azay le Rideau, Langeais, Chinon, Usse, and Saumur. You will also cycle through some important wine regions such as Chinon, and have the chance to explore some well known gardens such as Villandry. All the best of the Loire Valley by bicycle!

Duration: week
Price: from 650 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Joue les Tours

Arrival in Saint Pierre des Corps-Tours TGV station, located only 1h from Paris by train. Transfer to your charming castle hotel in Joue les Tours on your own, the Chateau de Beaulieu. Dinner included.

Ride to Azay le Rideau

Going first to fantastic gardens at the famous Villandry, you will ride alongside the Cher and Loire Rivers and along the Loire a Velo route. After, continue toward Azay le Rideau and that classic chateau, where you can spend plenty of time to visit the castle and possibly see the sound and light show. This renaissance era castle is considered a classic design and its setting alongside the Indre River is magic. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Chinon

Ride from Azay-le-Rideau to Chinon for a full day of cycling around castles. Your first stop is in Langeais, where the Chateau was the temporary lair of lawless armed bands during the Hundred Years War. Then the ride continues to the Chateau of Usse, a fairytale castle which is reputed to have inspired the story of Sleeping Beauty and a "must" for all Walt Disney's fans. You will then finish by riding to Chinon, house to a few interesting museums, where you can taste some of the local wine, made famous in the writings of Francois Rabelais. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Saumur

Ride from Chinon to Saumur, house of a beautiful castle and delicious wine. You will start your ride to Saumur with a stop at the Abbey of Fontevraud, one of the most beautiful and largest abbeys in Europe. Then as you approach Saumur, you will begin to see the magnificent Chateau overlooking the Loire River and surrounded by endless vineyards. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after a sumptuous breakfast at the hotel. Breakfast is included.
What's included

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Love Story in Loire Valley

You’ve made your vows and exchanged rings. Now it’s time to write your own love story. What better introduction than a romantic HONEY_MOON trip on the Loire Valley Deluxe HONEY_MOON Cycling Tour, with luxury hotel options. The charming Loire Valley by bicycle, -- offers a romantic itinerary to escape just the two of you. Go with the flow along the tranquil waters of the Loire, Indre, and Cher rivers through the heart of this scenic region known for its vineyards, orchards, and magnificent castles. The flat-to-rolling terrain is the perfect setting for meandering side by side. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. You will feel like more than just Monsieur and Madame and more like the King and Queen as you explore the picturesque castles. Your cycle paths will cross famous chateaux of Chenonceau and Azay le Rideau, and many more. You are treated like royalty, with hotel accommodations in Chateau d’Artigny - one of the most famous Chateau-hotels in France. You will also cycle through some important wine domains and have the chance to explore some well-known gardens. All the best of the Loire Valley by bicycle!

Duration: week
Price: from 1850 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Amboise

Arrive in the picturesque town of Amboise situated along the Loire River and check in at the hotel-Chateau Le Choiseul where you will feel like royalty. Settle in and explore the village and sites. Amboise is bustling with much to see and do; Visit the Chateau Clos Lucé (last home of Leonardo DaVinci). Share in the artist?s genie while testing some of DaVinci?s most interesting inventions. Wander the streets and shops of Amboise hand in hand. Orientation and bike setting with a Discover France guide in the evening. Romantic gourmet dinner is included in your package tonight.

Loop ride To Chenonceau

Love makes the ?wheels? go round. Today is a perfect way to start cycling together with a loop tour to the remarkable Chateau of Chenonceau. Along the way you will cycle some quiet country roads that drop into the hamlet and the elegant castle perched over the Cher River. This famous castle is the stage of Henri II and Catherine de Medicis and Diane de Poitier?s love stories. Return for another romantic evening in the same hotel-Chateau. Breakfast included.

Amboise to Wine Country

Spin along the reserved routes for bicycles or pedestrians you two will wander through vineyards of Montlouis. This is an occasion to toast your new life together with Montlouis? original bubbly or a glass of white wine. Your day?s journey ends at the deluxe hotel and spa Chateau d'Artigny. A sumptuous dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Azay le Rideau to Luynes

You start with a nice ride through rolling countryside referred to as the Garden of France, to the castle of Azay le Rideau (with an option to flirt with your beloved in the labyrinth gardens of the Chateau of Villandry along the way). Your duo will then ride alongside the Loire River, cross the majestic bridge to the Chateau de Langeais. Inspiring for a HONEY_MOOONers, this is where history was made when Charles VIII married Anne de Bretagne! Your ride continues through the countryside and along troglodyte homes to Luynes. Tonight?s romance continues at the Domaine de Beauvois. Dinner and breakfast included.
Ride to Saumur

Your day begins with a car transfer to the medieval site and castle of Chinon. This is the land where Joan of Arc fulfilled her saga to save France from English domination. But you will continue with a more romantic story. From Chinon, you will have a leisure ride towards the famous and historic Abbaye of Fontevraud. This monastery, built in 1110, was the burial grounds of King Henry II, his wife Queen Eleanor of Aquitaine, and their son King Richard the Lionheart. Today it is Europe’s largest functioning abbey. You will be awed by the size and beauty of the place. Serine calm embraces you and your loved one. Your hotel is nearby and a gastronomic dinner and breakfast is included.

Loop Ride

The never-ending tale of imposing castles and great wines continue. Visit together the Chateau de Saumur towering above the town. And another jaunt as a couple in the vineyards to the Montreuil Bellay chateau. Return for your last romantic evening on the tour. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

It will be difficult to leave this dream come true of a trip. After breakfast, you can leave at your leisure. Trains from nearby Saumur to Tours and Paris are possible. Or prolong your dream. Added nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

What's included

- 6 nights of accommodation: 4 & 5 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 4 gastronomic dinners included at your hotel
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental
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What's not included

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- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
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Provence Vineyards & Lavender

A biking tour full of taste and flavors! Discover the wines of Provence, from the Rhone Valley to the Haut-Vaucluse area to the Drome and back to Ventoux area. Taste the grand wine of Chateauneuf du Pape, Gigondas, chocolates, and lavender flavored honey. Gourmet stages combine with astonishing visits along the Castle and Abbey route like Rochegude and Grignan; Roman art in Vaison la Romaine; the Dentelles de Montmirail, the fields of lavender at the foot of the Mont Ventoux, and more. Place of departure is Avignon from where you have a superb location to visit the sites of the historical center of Avignon. The tour loops out from there into the charming countryside with a finish in the Provençal village of Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux. Your itineraries are studied with care and patience; they avoid the traffic and look up the highlights. Last but not least, enjoy the select hotels and restaurants where you'll be accommodated in charming lodging - we give you a choice of comfort, and typical country charm such as the unique manor house in Grignan, a 16th century mansion in Vaison la Romaine and a typical Provençal hotel in Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux.

Duration: week
Price: from 1450 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon

Arrival in Avignon. You can visit Avignon today and take in its many sites. Your excellent 4 star hotel is located in the center of Avignon, within a short walk of all the sites in Avignon. We will provide and orientation with bike delivery and set up in the early evening to get you all ready to ride out the next day. Dinner on your own in Avignon, we will include some excellent suggestions.

Ride to Chateauneuf du Pape

Today, you ride through the vineyards of the renowned appellation Cotes du Rhone de Chateauneuf-du-Pape and if you like, stop to visit and taste in one of the cellars of the village. On your way, you can stop at the village Roquemaure, where you can see the remains of the 12th century medieval castle, where Pop Clement V died in 1314. Night and dinner at a charming, deluxe chateau hotel in Chateauneuf du Pape. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Rochegude & St Paul les 3 Chateaux

On this itinerary you will pass Serignan du Comtat, an important medieval village (origins go back to 6C BC) in the history of the Counts of Toulouse and the domain of Diane de Poitiers. Continue on to Rochegude in the Drome department and lavender country and then on into the town of St Paul les 3 Chateaux where you can walk through its old cobbled streets and visit the historical church. Deluxe 4 star hotel at the walls of the old center. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Grignan

Today's ride will bring you to the village of Clansayes before Grignan. In Clansayes, you will find the Templar knights tower, which offers a beautiful panoramic view of the area. Also on your itinerary are the villages of Colonzelle and La Baume de Transit, with remains from a medieval castle. In Grignan, you stay below its famous chateaux in a very comfortable 3 star chateau/manor house. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Grignan loop tour or day off

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If you choose to ride, you will travel to the lavender areas around Grignan to La Garde d’Adhemar. This village is a classical provencal village with exceptional beauty. La Garde d’Adhemar has preserved its medieval structure and ramparts and was originally colonized during the Roman era by veterans of the Roman legions in the 1st century. Return to Grignan. If you stay in Grignan, you can explore this beautiful 16-17C chateau and learn the story of Madame de Sevigne. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Vaison la Romaine

Vaison, a town of art, has a rich cultural heritage. It was built up in the middle ages and modern times but the town owes its fame to the ancieant Roman foundations and its ruins. La Romaine was added in 1924! Stay in an historic 15th century mansion in the center of town. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Bedoin

2 options:
Option 1: the easier ride, it passes through the wine villages of Gigondas, Vacqueyras, and Beaumes de Venise to finish in Bedoin (38km). Option 2 crosses the Dentelles de Montmirail involving some climbs (40km). A variant of option 2 is to ride Mont Ventoux, famous Tour de France climb fondly known as the Giant of Provence! This will add 25 km and at least 1-2 hours of climbing up to 1909 meters (approx 6000 ft). Tonight you stay at the edge of the village of Bedoin in a very charming inn. The scent of lavender is in the air during June and July in this countryside! Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure day

Breakfast is included and possibly some time to visit Bedoin before leaving back to Avignon. We will transfer you back to Avignon TGV station at 9:30am; allow 1 hour travel time before a train departure.

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Alps Cols Trophy

On this trip, you will pose your suitcases in the beautiful valley of Oisans housing the great Alpine passes that have contributed enormously to the rich history of the Tour de France. This giant playground includes the famous passes of Alpe d'Huez, Lautaret, Galibier, Glandon, Croix de Fer and the 2 Alpes. Beyond these legendary climbs, you will also have the opportunity to climb smaller hills through this extensive and beautiful region of the Alps. Do not leave without climbing up to the small village of Bérarde, an exception for road cycling in the heart of an incredible landscape! Are you ready to conquer the Alps?

Duration: week
Price: from 750 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Freney d'Oisans

Travel from Grenoble to the hotel where you will have your welcome meeting, bike delivery and inspection and program orientation conducted by one of our knowledgeable local staff. Local bus service is regular to Freney or we can arrange a private transfer for an additional fee. Dinner included.

Alpe d'Huez today!

We suggest to start with a nice long downhill toward Allemont as a way to get your legs warmed up before turning back toward Bourg d'Oisans. You can choose to go straight up Alpe d'Huez at this point, or continue your riding to La Berarde where you can take a cable car ride with your bike up to Les Deux Alpes, to start attacking the 21 switchbacks! Alpe d'Huez is a vertical climb of 1.120m (3.733 feet), 14 km (8.75 miles) long, gradients between 7.7 and 12% and 21 switchbacks is one of the most historical and heroic ones in the history of the Tour de France. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Col du Gladon & Croix de Fer

Today, an easy start as you warm up slowly descending to Bourg d'Oisans and then take the valley up to the intersection indicating "Col de la Croix de Fer." At that point, you start a long climb of 30 kilometers surrounded by a sublime landscape. Once at the Col du Glandon, you have barely 3km to reach the top of the Iron Cross peaks over 2000m. Breathe deep and pat yourself on the back, you made it! Denivelée : +4215m. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Col du Lautaret & Galibier

Your legs should be ready now to attack a monument in the Alps, le Col du Galibier at 2642m. Before getting there, you will start go through the col du Lautaret to get you ready for the final climb. At that point you will go up 8.5 km at 7% and over 12% on the last meters! At the top you will be rewarded for your efforts with a magical scenery of snow-capped peaks and surrounding glaciers. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.
Departure Day

Departure after breakfast with transfer on your own to Grenoble TGV station by bus from Freney d'Oisans. We can arrange a private transfer for an additional fee. Extra nights are possible if you wish to extend your stay. Breakfast included.

What's included

4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom. Daily breakfast at each hotel, 4 dinners included, Orientation by telephone, Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times.

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Alpe d'huez to Briancon

Even better than our 4 night program, this tour offers a few changes of hotels and takes you even further into the region to ride more mountain passes and see more of this beautiful region. You will put your climbing legs to the test on the famous mountains passes (cols) of Croix de Fer, the backside of the Galibier, the Izoard, and of course, the monstrous Alpe d'Huez. If you are an experienced and passionate rider looking for the ultimate challenge, then come experience the cols where cycling legends made their marks.

Upon your arrival in the village of Alpe d'Huez you will get a detailed briefing about the cycling possibilities in the area, the best routes, and organizational tips to get the most out of this great cycling holiday. After your rides, you can relax in comfortable mountain hotels and enjoy hardy alpine dinners to fuel you for your next mountain challenge.

Duration: week
Price: from 1020 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival Day

Travel from Grenoble to a 3 star resort in the town of Alpe d'Huez where you will receive your road book and your rental bike. This afternoon you will receive an orientation over the telephone with one of our team members. Dinner included.

Alpe d'Huez Day

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Alpe d'Huez to St Jean-de-Maurienne

A though ride day from L'Alpe d'Huez to St Jean-de-Maurienne. On this day, you will ride approximately half the route of the famous and grueling Marmotte race with lots of climbing and long steep descents. Before reaching St Jean-de-Maurienne, you will pass by the Col de Sarenne and the Col de la Croix de Fer, first introduced to the Tour de France in 1947. Total ascent of 2800m. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Col du Telegraph, du Lautaret & Galibier

Another challenging day with 3 cols waiting for you: the Col du Telegraph, Col du Lautaret, and then the famous Col du Galibier. You will end this ride with a long descent all the way to Briancon where you will spend the night. Total ascent of 2800m. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Col d'Izoard

We left one of the most difficult mountain passes for the end, the Col d'Izoard. The Izoard is a long climb from Briancon, but worth the arduous effort. There is an option to go to the town of Sestrieres in Italy and back if you still have enough fuel on your legs. Total ascent = 1495m. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
**Departure Day**

Departure after breakfast. Transfer by bus on your own from Briancon to Grenoble's TGV station is available.

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Alps & Mont Ventoux

On this tour you can learn how the pro riders suffer and take inspiration from the amazing beauty of these spectacular mountain passes. Go to the top of Alpe d'Huez, touch the monument to Henri Desgranges at the summit of the Galibier, climb Les Deux Alpes, the Col de Lautaret, among others. If you are an experienced and passionate rider looking for the ultimate challenge, then come to experience the cols where cycling legends made their marks.

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Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Freney d'Oisans

Travel by bus or private transfer from Grenoble to the hotel in Freney d'Oisans where the welcome meeting, orientation and bike setup will take place. Stay in a charming 3* hotel in Freney d'Oisans. Gourmet dinner included.

Alpe d'Huez today!

The first climbs of the tour: Le Glandon and La Croix-de-Fer. It’s a very long and irregular col. When you reach the crossroad with the Glandon, you can make a small detour of 1.5 km to reach the top of the Croix the Fer and to enjoy the view. This pass has been included in the Tour de France 14 times, the first time in 1947, and most recently in 2006. Total ascent 3621m. Dinner and breakfast included.

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Col du Lautaret - Col du Galibier

Two tough by rewarding climbs in the Alps: the Col du Lautaret and the Col du Galibier. You will climb the Col du Lautaret (40kms - 25 miles) from the village of Le Bourg d'Oisans, with a vertical climb of 1.400m (4.666 feet) and an average gradient of 3.8 % (max 9%). And if that was not enough, you will then tackle the climb to the Galibier (8.5 km -5.3 miles) with a vertical climb of 585m (1.950 feet) and an average gradient of 6.9 % (12% max). Dinner and breakfast included.

Transfer to Bedoin

Departure from the Alps after breakfast with a 10am transfer to the village of Bedoin at the foot of
Mont Ventoux. Allow 4 hours travel time. In Bedoin, you have free time to explore the village or relax for the rides ahead. You will stay in a charming 3 star hotel with dinner and morning breakfast included.

Mont Ventoux

Conquer Mont Ventoux. This itinerary begins with a warm-up ride between the vineyards of Bédoin, followed by the challenging climb and descent of Mont Ventoux. Climbing the Mon Ventoux is an experience that will stay with you for a long time. Total Ascent : 2695m. Stay in the same hotel in Bedoin from the previous day. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop rides around Bedoin

Several great ride options again today: the Gorges de la Nesque, the Gordes, and/or a long ride through the vineyards. Take your pick, all of them are lovely country rides for you. Distance varies depending on your preferred route. Stay in the same hotel in Bedoin from the previous day. Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast; transfer to Avignon included. Breakfast included.

What's included

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Alsace Hiking

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Duration: week
Price: from 1020 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Obernai

Arrive in Strasbourg and then train to Obernai, south of Strasbourg along the Wine Route. The train ride is about 30 minutes and trains are available throughout the day. To arrive in Strasbourg, there is easy rail access from Paris with the newly opened TGV line; or by air. Rail access from Frankfurt is also possible. Orientation by phone in the evening at the hotel. Overnight in Obernai in a charming 4 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included. If you have the time, here are some sites to visit in Strasbourg: Petite France: The popular corner of the Grand île (the Main Island) is where the île river splits up into a number of canals, and cascades through a small area of half-timbered houses. Ponts Couverts: Towers and footbridges situated at the end of Petite France Cathedral, built from 1190 to 1439. Quartier Allemand (German District), the showcase of German neoclassical architecture in Strasbourg.

Obernai to Barr

Your first hiking day; you start from your hotel and go to the Mont Saint Odile. You will then walk on to Barr covering about 17km with some hills and a forested trail. You can have lunch at the summit of the hills at the Mont St Odile then descend nicely to Barr. You are in tree cover most of the day which doesn’t allow for long views, but you come out into the wine country around Barr and can sample some of the excellent local wines when you are back. 16.7 km with climbing; elev gain 696m; estimated 5 hours hiking. Dinner and breakfast included.

Barr to Itterswiller

Two options today, but both take you through vineyard country and on to the Foret d’Andlau and the passing by the wine town of Bernardville before going on to Itterwiller. The short route will take about 3.5 hours, 10.3 km with about 397m elevation gain. Long itinerary is 13.7km, 4.5 hours, 721m elev gain. Before your dinner, we will organize a wine tasting in order to discover the best wines of the area! Dinner and breakfast included.

Itterswiller/Haut Koenigsbourg to Ribeauville

Your destination today is Ribeauville, but we will start with a taxi transfer at 9am to the Chateau of Haut Koenigsbourg. The castle is nestled at a strategic location on a high hill overlooking the Alsatian plain. From there, you will have a scenic hike back to Ribeauville, through the Forest de...
Ribeauville on the GR5 path. In the Middle Ages, Ribaeauville was the seat of the Seigneurs de Ribeauvier - the Lords of Ribeauvier (hence the town's name of Ribeauvillé). 11.4km, 360m elev gain; approx 4 hours hiking. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ribeauville to Kaysersberg

Your destination today is Kaysersberg, a charmingly little village. You will hike in the vineyards in the morning to reach Ricquewihr, the perfect stop for lunch. Ricquewihr is a medieval town located in the heart of the vineyard, which is well known for its picturesque and its outstanding architectural heritage. Hiking in the forest in the afternoon, you will head to another remains of chateau to visit, just before Kaysersberg where you stay overnight and take dinner on your own. Breakfast included.10km; 3.5 hours and 610m elev gain.

Kaysersberg to Colmar

You will first hike to Turkheim, known for its Gewurztraminer, traditional Alsatian cuisine, and stunning surrounding scenery. Then walk to Colmar, one of the most charming of all the Alsatian villages. Of interest are the various museums: (Unterlinden, Bartholdi, du Jouet), and the old town architecture (Old Customs House, Pfister House, Cathedral, etc.). Walking enthusiasts will enjoy Petite Venise, a typical quarter with very well-preserved old Alsace homes, the yacht harbour and the pedestrianized old town with its many shops. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.16km; 4.5 hours and 504m elev gain.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Trains to Paris and Strasbourg from Colmar possible. Extra nights in Colmar or Strasbourg possible. Breakfast included.

What's included

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Duration: week
Price: from 1140 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Strasbourg

This city has easy rail access from Paris with the newly opened TGV line. Rail access from Frankfurt is also possible. Transfer to your Strasbourg hotel on your own and any free time is yours to explore this fantastic centreville. Orientation and bike set up with our local representative at your hotel. Old Strasbourg is typically cobbled walking streets, half timbered houses with carved stone porches and courtyards. Superior 4 star hotel and dinner on your own.

Strasbourg to Obernai

Start your tour by riding out of Strasbourg on a well marked bicycle path which makes getting out of this city easy. You ride south to Obernai through charming small villages and the start of the wine route. Discover some of the many castles and vineyards in the surroundings. Lodging in charming 4 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included

Orbernai Loop Tour

Today is a loop tour in the countryside around Obernai including Ottrot and the Mont St Odile. To visit: Mont Saint Odile monastery: during the Merovingian periods, Saint Odile, daughter of the Duke Adalric, founded a monastery here, which flourished. In the Middle Ages, the monastery was destroyed, then rebuilt by Herrade of Landsberg. Return to same hotel with dinner on your own. Some hills. Breakfast included

Ride to Riquewihr

Today you will cycle to Riquewihr, a medieval town right in the heart of the Alsatian vineyards, classified among the 'Most Beautiful Villages in France'. For centuries this magnificent town has managed to combine the quality of its architecture with the quality of its world-famous wines, from where it gets its nickname 'The Gem of the Alsace Vineyards'. Nice 3 star hotel in the old town, dinner on your own. Breakfast included

Riquewihr-Colmar
Ride from Riquewihr to Colmar, passing by Turckheim. Turckheim is a former fortified town. You can still see the remparts, which are exceptionally well preserved. The village also has several half-timbered houses, typical of the region. A nice ride through flowered villages like Kaysersberg including at the end, Colmar. You spend the night in a charming 3* hotel in the center of the city. Challenging option to ride to the area of the 5 chateaux. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Optional Ride or visit Colmar

Ride a loop tour into the countryside to little charming village of Eguisheim and part of the Alsace wine route. Back to Colmar, this is home town of sculptor Frederic-Auguste Bartholdi (best known for the Statue of Liberty). The well-preserved old city center houses several, sometimes large-scale buildings in German Gothic and early Renaissance style, as well as a number of old churches, among which the collegiale Saint-Martin (13th-16th Century) is the largest and most noteworthy. Same hotel, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Bordeaux Wine Country

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour centered around the Bordeaux vineyards include some of the most famous names of the area: Saint Emilion, Entre Deux Mers and their many small wine villages throughout the region. You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris, and from there you travel out stress free on excellent paved bike paths. You make your way to the Entre deux Mers region and then to Saint Emilion. The loop tour brings you back to Bordeaux to finish and easily return.

Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and a rich inheritance of walled towns, abbeys, and medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour! While Bordeaux is world famous, a lesser-known part of this region is just waiting to be discovered. In the Gironde, between the Dordogne and Garonne Rivers, less than 13 miles south of Bordeaux lies Entre-Deux-Mers, an area brimming with vineyards.

Duration: week
Price: from 1220 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Bordeaux**

 Arrive in Bordeaux - a large city with good rail access and commercial airline flights from several European capitals. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the wine museums and shops for local wines. Orientation in the evening with bike delivery and set up at your hotel. Dinner on your own - many choices.

**From Bordeaux to St Macaire**

 Start your tour by riding out of Bordeaux stress free on a bicycle path built on a old train way. This easy ride takes you to Creon a charming village then onto the impressive Abbey of Sauve-Majeur. The last part of your ride takes you to St Emilion where you can enjoy a glass of wine from one the most famous wine of the world. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Saint Macaire to near Monsegur**

 A ride through the Entre Deux Mers region and its vineyards. You will use both bicycle paths and some small country roads on your ride. Numerous small towns and bastides are along the route and each worth exploring. Overnight in a Bacchus (wine theme) B&B property tonight and have a home cooked meal. Dinner and breakfast included.

**St Gemme Loop**

 Ride through the quiet country roads and vineyards of this widely unknown area. You will ride into the department of the Lot et Garonne! You can see the Chateau des Ducs in Duras, as well as the vineyards of the Cotes de Duras. From there, you cross back into the Gironde department through the Dropt Valley and head back to your B&B via Monsegur where you can stop at the Bastide of Monsegur and imagine this old village closed up at night to protect citizens from bandits in the medieval era. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Ste Gemme to Saint Emilion**

 A ride to one of the most famous vineyards of the region: Saint Emilion! Discover this World
Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become Saint-Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237.Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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**What's included**

- 6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
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Bikes available on this tour

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Bordeaux and Dordogne Best of

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour starts in Bordeaux and then moves into the vineyards including the famous name of Saint Emilion on up to Bergerac. You then travel into the Prehistory region of the Dordogne, Les Eyzies and Sarlat. This combination is a 'best of' experience for a week timeframe in Aquitaine - some true highlights! You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris. The trip finishes in Sarlat from where you can take a small train to connect back to the TGV line. Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and the grottos of prehistory. You will pass through some old walled towns, see abbeys, and visit medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour!

Duration: week
Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
**Itinerary**

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**Ride to Saint Macaire**

Ride out of Bordeaux on bike paths all the way to the charming town of Creon, and then continue through wine country all the way to St Emilion. Discover this World Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become St Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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**Ride to Ste Radegonde**

Today you keep cycling east and head towards Ste Radegonde and will pass the St Genes de Castillon, a charming village surrounded by vineyards. Accommodation is in a comfortable 3 star hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

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**Ride to Bergerac**

From Ste Radegonde you will cycle through the vineyards to Bergerac, located on the Dordogne river, a large town with good rail access and services. This is your gateway into the famous Black Perigord. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the Maison des Vins - for local wines. 3 star hotel included. Dinner out on your own in Bergarac; some suggestions will be included Breakfast included.

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**Ride to Tremolat**
A ride to one of the most famous vineyards of the region: Saint Emilion! Discover this World Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become Saint-Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Les Eyzies

A lot to see and visit on this day, you have a choice of rides. Starting out easy you come to Audrix a small village by small roads and almost no traffic. Then down to Le Bugue and Gouffre de Proumeysacc, and then on to Les Eyzies - capital of Pre-History! Take time to visit this very charming town and its sites and museums including the Font de Gaume. Font de Gaume is a cave that houses a collection of prehistoric polychrome cave paintings. Prehistoric people living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the mouth of Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The caves most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included, lodging is central charming 3 star.

Ride to Sarlat

Again, a choice of rides to allow you more time to visit. The destination is the very charming town of Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in town tonight; we include suggestions. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, trains from Sarlat connect to nearby towns and on to Paris all day long. We can help with added nights, car rentals, or other extensions to your travel. Breakfast included.

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Brittany Hiking

At the border of Brittany and Normandy in France, the Bay of the Mont Saint Michel shelters one of the jewels of the western Christian art, the iconic Mont Saint Michel. The region around the Mont is mostly flat, at first glance the bay is nothing more than a sandy marsh, covered by the sea depending on the tide. Originally this Mount was just a huge rock on which the church builders used the most imaginative techniques to erect what is now a masterpiece listed by the UNESCO amongst the ten monuments in the world to be protected. You will start in the beautiful seaside city of St Malo and begin a walk along the coast with the Mont constantly in view. Your anticipation will be heightened the closer you get, and along the way you will be charmed by the quiet beauty, the original flora, the thousands of birds that nest or fly through the bay.

Duration: week
Price: from 790 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in St Malo

Arriving in the wine capital, the city of of Beaune, you have a little time to explore this city and some of its treasures including the Hotel Dieu (hospices) before or after your arrival orientation in the evening. Dinner on your own in town, and free time to visit. Night in centrally located 3 star hotel with large rooms.

St Malo to Cancale

Our driver will transfer you to La Guimorais, from where you will pick up the GR34 trail. You will walk along the Emerald Coast up to La Pointe du Grouin, where you will have a stunning viewpoint on the ocean. On a clear day, you can even see the outline of the Mont Saint Michel! Your destination today is Cancale, a picturesque fishing village famous for its oysters. History has it that Louis XIV had his oysters brought to Versailles from Cancale. Centuries later, the farming of oysters is still a major activity in the port and there are oyster beds covering about 7.3 square kilometres easily seen from the pier at the harbour. You’ll stay in a lovely 3* hotel. Dinner and breakfast included.

Cancale to Le Mont St Michel

Today, you will walk to the Mont Saint Michel. Our driver will transfer you to Cherrueix, where you will pick up the GR 34 trail that will take you to the Mont Saint Michel. You will walk through the polders and along the Bay of the Mont St Michel. You spend the night in a 3* hotel located on the Mont Saint Michel itself! Dinner on your own and breakfast included. To visit Mont Saint Michel: The Abbaye: once a humble little monastery, the island and its fortifications have effectively grown up around this. During the French Revolution, the abbey was used a prison, and an extensive restoration was required to restore it. A few prison-era showpieces, like the human hamster wheel used to lift supplies in and out of the complex, have been kept. Porte de l'Avanc?e, the main gate at the end of the causeway, which leads straight to the Grande Rue. The ramparts, which offer great views of the mudflats. Museum of History, which features old collections ( weapons, paintings, sculptures, watches), prisons and dungeons, the 19th century periscope which reveals the bay. The archeoscope, a show to discover the construction of this fabulous monument and its sacred history. Maritime museum, where you can discover the tides, the bay and the massive building site to restore the maritime character of the Mont Saint-Michel.

Loop around Mont St Michel
You have two options today. You can either take the whole day to visit the Mont Saint Michel, or you can go walk around the Mont. If you choose to walk, today's itinerary will take you to east coast of the Mont Saint Michel along the GR 223. Return to your hotel on the Mont. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure

After breakfast, you can take your time with breakfast and catch a bus that will bring you back to Rennes, from where you can catch a TGV to Paris. You have a bus at 9:30am that will allow you to catch an 11:05am train to Paris. Breakfast included.

What’s included

- 4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 2 dinners included
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
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What’s not included

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Brittany to Mont-Saint-Michel

One of France's most rugged regions, Brittany is a fascinating mix of spectacular coastline, ancient towns, magical islands and inland woods. A Celtic duchy for more than one thousand years before its annexation to France in 1532, it is a land rich in culture, tradition and history. This cycling tour starts in Saint Malo and will lead you to the Mont Saint Michel, site of the spectacular and well-preserved Norman Benedictine Abbey of St Michel at the peak of the rocky island, surrounded by the winding streets and convoluted architecture of the medieval town. The coastal region includes a line of fine sandy beaches interspersed with rocks, reefs, granite headlands and sheer cliffs which are dappled pink and gray in the sun. Brittany is famous for a rich cultural heritage and its architecture: castles, feudal fortresses, and abbeys which are open to visit. In Brittany, there is a saying that it is sunny many times per day! Yes, it can rain, but often not sustained. Bring a rain jacket, but don't miss unique and beautiful Brittany!

Duration: week
Price: from 930 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in St Malo

The town is easily accessible from Paris by TGV. You stay in a beautiful 3* hotel in the center of Saint Malo. Orientation at 6pm and dinner on your own. To visit in Saint Malo: The walled city (La Ville Intra-Muros); The chateau of Saint-Malo with The Solidor tower of Saint-Servan. Dinner on your own.

St Malo to Cancale

For your first riding day, you'll cycle along the Emerald Coast up to La Pointe du Grouin, where you will have a stunning viewpoint on the ocean. On a clear day, you can even see the outline of the Mont Saint Michel! Your destination today is Cancale, a picturesque fishing village famous for its oysters. History has it that Louis XIV had his oysters brought to Versailles from Cancale. Centuries later, the farming of oysters is still a major activity in the port and there are oyster beds covering about 7.3 square kilometres easily seen from the pier at the harbour. You'll stay in a lovely 3* hotel. Dinner and breakfast included.

Cancale to Le Mont St Michel

Today, you will cycle to the Mont Saint Michel. Before reaching the Mont, you will stop at the charming town St Benoit des Ondes, a fisherman village which name comes from a benedict priory linked to the Saint Benoit du Blanc Essay monastery. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Mont Saint Michel loop or rest day

You have two options today. You can either take the whole day to visit the Mont Saint Michel, or you can go cycle around the Mont. If you choose to ride, today's itinerary will take you to the Mont Saint Michel's bay. Return to your hotel on the Mont. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure

You can take your time with breakfast and catch a bus that will bring you back to Rennes, from where you can catch a TGV to Paris. You have a bus at 9:30am that will allow you to catch a
11:05am train to Paris. Breakfast included.

What's included

- 4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
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- 1 dinner included
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What's not included

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- Drinks
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Brittany to Normandy

In Normandy, an "artist's paradise," wonderful coastline, woodlands and countryside combine to make a fabulous bicycle vacation. Of course, Normandy is also well known for the WWII landing beaches used by the Allied armies. There is much to see and remember here of that time. This region of France is also renowned for its dairy products, and the gastronomical delights won't disappoint. In addition to its cider and Calvados, Normandy produces the famous Camembert cheese. You're certain to enjoy this countryside as you bicycle through the green pastures and seaside towns, discovering the history that has made this area so famous.

Duration: week
Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in St Malo

Arrive in Saint Malo. The town is easily accessible from Paris by TGV. You stay in a beautiful 3* hotel in the center of Saint Malo. Orientation in the evening and dinner on your own. To visit in Saint Malo: The walled city (La Ville Intra-Muros); The chateau of Saint-Malo with The Solidor tower of Saint-Servan.

St Malo to Mont St Michel

Cycle from Saint Malo in the direction of Cancale where you reach the coast after Cancale and can see all the oyster farms that make Cancale famous. You ride through the fisherman village of St Benoit des Ondes, as well as the Mont Dol, from where there is a beautiful view. On a clear day from here you can also start to see the Mont St Michel - Unesco World Heritage site and architectural marvel. Upon reaching this historical site, you have a 4 star hotel waiting to take you in. Leave time to explore the Mont and walk its tiny streets! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride along Coast to Granville

A good part of this ride is coastal with a trip around the Bay of Mont St Michel to Avranches where there are several worthwhile stops in this town that dates to the Roman era. Continue on the coast to Granville and a nice 3 star hotel overlooking the beach. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Granville to St Lo

The tour turns inland today to cut across Normandy to reach the beaches of D-Day. You will stop today at St Lo. Along the way you will pass the town of Coutances where you must stop to visit the Cathedral of Coutances, which is visible for many kilometers as it stands 80 meters (295 ft). At St Lo you have a very charming 3 star chateau hotel with dinner on your own. In St Lo you will find a virtually newly rebuilt city. The town near totally destroyed during the Battle of Normandy as St Lo lies on an important crossroads and was a regional German stronghold. The city is however rich in history and war has been part of the long history of St Lo. Breakfast included.

St Mere Eglise/St Marie du Mont

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This ride is mostly a flat to rolling ride coming up to the coast of Normandy where the D-Day landings took place. St Mere Eglise is an old settlement dating to the 12th century but is most famous for its role in the allied invasion of Normandy. Paratroopers famously landed here and fought some decisive battles that made this town the first, or among the first liberated. The movie The Longest Day depicts many events in St Mere Eglise. Your hotel is nearby in the town of St Marie du Mont. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop Ride to Utah beach

A loop tour from your hotel will first focus on the Utah Beach landings close to your hotel, then move north toward the point on the coast at St Vaast. Return inland or by the same route; you can ride more or less today or take more time to visit in St Mere Eglise. Same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Ride Bayeux via Point du Hoc

A slightly long route, you need to leave early to leave time for the important stops today. We suggest you cycle all the way to Point du Hoc, immortalized in The Longest Day, and then leave more time for the most famous WWII sites in the area: Colleville-sur-Mer and Omaha beach. In Colleville take some time to visit the US Military cemetery, (172.5 acres). Continue to Bayeux and your excellent 3 star hotel, dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, at your leisure. Breakfast included.

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Burgundy Hiking

This Hiking tour of Burgundy is the perfect combination of Bourgogne’s most important treasured assets: wine, cuisine, and heritage. You will walk along your tour through vines south to the vineyards of Cotes de Nuit. Tiny villages, manor farms, and millhouses, exquisite parish churches are the rural ambiance among the vines. The hiking starts in Dijon which is easily accessible from Paris. Following the Burgundy Wine Route or Route du Vin, famous since the Galloroman era, the trails run through the heart of Gevrey-Chambertin, Clos Vougeot, and finishes in Beaune.

Duration: week  
Price: from 720 EUR  
Level: Active  
Activity: hiking  
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Dijon

Arrival in Dijon. This city has easy access by train from Paris. You can explore the old city, the beautiful palace of the dukes of Burgundy in which is housed the Art museum. You can also see the Ste Benigne's cathedral. Your hotel is conveniently located in the center of the city. Orientation by phone in the evening and dinner on your own.

Dijon to Gevrey Chambertin

You continue exploring Dijon in the morning and then transfer by taxi at 9:30am to start hiking to Gevrey Chambertin. You will enter the vineyards of Cotes de Nuits and check out the wine, the village is the only one that produces rose wine! Pass the oldest church of the region before arriving at Gevrey-Chambertin. In the village, there is an interesting 10th century castle with an old vaulted wine cellar. Night in 3 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Gevrey Chambertin to Nuits St Georges

Pick up the GR7 trail and hike to Nuits Saint George, genuine "Place Vendome" of Côte de Nuits with its picturesque streets around the belfry. You will walk through the Forest of Mantua and the Combe Ambin. On your way, you will see the remains from the Abbaye de Saint Vivant and the Château de Vergy, which was believed to be impregnable. You stay in a beautiful 3* B&B; dinner on your own nearby; we provide suggestions. Breakfast included.

Loop around Nuits St Georges

A loop tour around Nuits Saint Georges on the "Route des Grands Crus" to discover several wine villages of the Cote de Nuits vineyards, such as Chambolle-Musigny, Vougeot or Vosne Romanee among others. Vosne Romanee, together with Chambolle-Musigny and Gevrey-Chambertin produces the region's best red wines. In Chambolle Musigny, take some time to visit the church Ste Barbe from the 15th century and its solar clock. Return to same B&B lodging and dinner on your own again. Breakfast included.

Nuits St Georges to Beaune
A taxi will transfer you in the morning at 9:30am to Arcenant, from where you will catch the GR76 to Beaune, famous for its hospices. Today's itinerary will take you to the famous wine villages of Savigny les Beaune and Aloxe Corton. Overnight in a 3* hotel in Beaune and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

Departure after breakfast. Additional nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

**What's included**

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Bikes available on this tour

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Burgundy Gastronomy & Wine

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Bicycle touring in the wine country of Burgundy is one of the most rewarding means of discovering the wine of the internationally renowned Burgundy name.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Dijon

Arriving in Dijon, you will go to the centrally located hotel to receive your documentation and bikes for orientation in the evening. You can explore the town with your free time before and after.Night in 5-star hotel and dinner out on your own in Dijon.

Loop around Dijon

Riding today will take you out into the countryside of Dijon to get warmed up and to visit some of the nearby vineyards and sites including the Burgundy canal. Return to Dijon and your 5 star hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Dijon to Vougeot

You ride into the Cotes de Nuit wine country today passing some of the most famous names in Burgundy wine such as Chambolle-Musigny, Gevrey Chambertin and Vougeot. Visit Château du Clos Vougeot and stay in your charming hotel with a gourmet dinner tonight. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Vougeot

Loop ride day from Vougeot. Discover the Burgundy countryside and more vineyards of Hautes Cotes de Nuits at your own pace; as we propose 3 different cycling options. This area is the center for the region's Grands Crus. Mainly reputed for its red wines, it also produces a select few whites. Visit more vignobles and taste some of the produce at your leisure. Return to your same hotel and another gastronomic dinner. Dinner and breakfast included.

Vougeot to Beaune

Leaving your hotel you will pass through the lower vineyard area of Cotes de Nuits and into Beaune, the wine capital of the region. Leave plenty of time to explore Beaune and its many sites including the famous Hotel Dieu, and its many wine caves. You have a deluxe hotel in the town center tonight. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Loop around Beaune

A ride from Beaune to the south and the Cotes de Beaunes vineyard area. You will be able to visit Meursault, Puligny-Montrachet, Chagny, Pommard, Santenay and then back to Beaune. You will find many opportunities to taste and purchase; or when you return to Beaune you can taste some of the appellations you visited by bike today !Breakfast included. Dinner on your own.

Departure Day

Departure at your leisure after breakfast. Additional visits and stays can be arranged as well as trains back to Paris with hotel. Breakfast included.

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California Wine Tour

From San Francisco, we'll shuttle you to the heart of Northern California and introduce you to our favorite towns for wine tasting, cycling and sightseeing on this California adventure. Visit Healdsburg, Guerneville and Bodega Bay on this unique trip that features cycling through some of the greatest wine regions in the world followed by a fun ride through Redwood forests and eventually a ride along the California coast. Starting in Healdsburg, your journey will take you into the Dry Creek valley to taste the local wines on quiet back country roads. Enjoy awe inspiring scenery as you cruise through dense Redwood forests and finally to the coast. Finish in Bodega Bay and enjoy fresh seafood in this classic coastal town on the rugged coast of California.

Duration: week
Price: from 1915 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
**Itinerary**

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### San Francisco to Healdsburg

Your California adventure will start in downtown San Francisco. We'll meet you and transfer about 1.5 hours into the heart of Northern California wine country. Our first stop is Graton where we'll have an orientation meeting and bike fitting. You'll enjoy small country bike paths and vineyard lined roads as you discover this cyclists' paradise. Your destination is the vibrant wine town of Healdsburg, on the edge of the Alexander Valley. The area is not only stunning physically, but there are an array of small, family owned vineyards mixed in amongst some of the world's most prestigious wineries. As you arrive in Healdsburg, you'll be charmed by this quintessential wine town. You should arrive in time to enjoy a stroll around town and through the town's downtown plaza, lined with antique stores, wine shops and great restaurants.

### A Loop ride from Healdsburg into the Dry Creek Valley

Today's ride is a California Wine Country classic. Leaving Healdsburg you are quickly on back country roads. The views East to the Macamayas Mountains provide a great backdrop as you pedal. Before long you are headed into the Dry Creek Valley and its beautiful wineries. Purchase picnic supplies at the Dry Creek General Store before drifting off into the afternoon to scout out your picnic spot. A brilliant day on the bike followed by some wine tastings and dinner in town.

### Healdsburg to Guerneville

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### Loop ride from Guerneville - Bike, Hike, Canoe or Horseback

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Guerneville to Bodega Bay

After a relaxing morning and breakfast in Guerneville it's back on the bikes for the final push to the California coast. Immediately leaving Guerneville you'll enjoy a calm descent along the Russian river. The road winds through Redwood forests but before long the rugged coast appears. We'll arrive in the seaside town of Jenner and enjoy views up and down this magnificent coastline. We then push on for our final leg between Jenner and Bodega Bay. Normally the wind is at your backs so look forward to a great cruise South with views of the pristine coast around every turn. Our home for the night is Bodega Bay, a working fishing port with boats that catch salmon, crab and shrimp. Bodega Bay is most famous perhaps however for its role in the Hitchcock classic The Birds. You'll be able to visit the church and schoolhouse featured in the film, but there are many other great funky buildings and shops to explore as well.

Bodega Bay to San Francisco

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California Wine Tour 7 Nights

Slightly longer than our 5 night tour, this 7 night trip includes visits first to Yountville then the spa town of Calistoga. Enjoy some of the nicest cycling routes we have ever encountered, all while indulging in the local cabernet wines and farm to table cuisine. Pedal through fertile wine valleys, and into thousand-year-old redwood forests and finally along the ruggedly beautiful Pacific coast. With California’s fantastic weather and quiet country lanes and you will soon see why this area is a cyclist’s paradise. Visit the Dry Creek valley near Healdsburg and then finish on the coast as you cruise from the seaside town of Jenner to the small port town of Bodega Bay. Great scenery, world-class wines and seafood on the coast make this a cycling trip to remember.

Duration: week
Price: from 2350 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Transfer from San Francisco to Yountville, then ride to Calistoga

We'll meet you in downtown San Francisco and then shuttle you to the quaint town Yountville, about a 1.5 hour drive. In Yountville we'll do our bike fitting and orientation meeting before sending you off for a great pedal to Calistoga. Enjoy a relaxing meander along the flat-to-gently rolling roads of the Napa Valley. With the easy terrain and numerous wineries to stop in at, this route provides a gentle introduction to the week's riding. Arriving in Calistoga in the afternoon you'll have time to stroll through town after checking in at your bed & breakfast. If a full day of biking tomorrow is not your thing, perhaps a hot mud bath or massage in one of the local day spas might interest you. Calistoga lies atop ancient reservoirs that supply the town's numerous hot springs. Dinner tonight is on your own in town at one of the many excellent restaurants. Ask your guides to tell you about their favorites.

Calistoga Loop ride

A couple of options for great rides are available today. We suggest heading down the road to the well-known town of St. Helena. Here you'll find a number of great places to either eat lunch indoors, or you might want to purchase some picnic supplies at the Dean & Deluca before riding up to the Rutherford winery for a great lunch over-looking the valley. Spend the afternoon riding among the wineries on the Silverado Trail as you make your way back up to Calistoga. For a relaxing spa day, simply walk into town for a choice of excellent mud bath and spa treatment options. Walkers too can take advantage of the great location to explore the nearby parks such as Bothe-Napa State park or the hills of Mt. St. Helena. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Calistoga to Healdsburg

A fun ride with some hills is in store today, but we'll provide a lift in the morning for those who are looking for a more relaxing ride. As you leave Calistoga behind this morning you'll travel on small, wooded roads into remote farmland. There are great opportunities today to visit some small and unknown yet remarkable wineries. Most are open for walk-in tastings so you can travel at your own pace. Before long you'll be gliding into the Alexander Valley with over 70 wineries within a quick ride. As you arrive in Healdsburg, you'll be charmed by this quintessential wine town. You should arrive in time to enjoy a stroll around town and through the town's downtown plaza, lined with antique stores, wine shops and great restaurants. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
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- Treasure hunt
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Catalonia Mountains to Sea 5 Nights

From Olot area surrounded by mountains and volcanoes to the seaside in San Feliu de Guixols, you will discover on this trip the most beautiful and varied landscapes of Catalonia. Luxuriant green valleys, rivers, fields of sunflowers, vineyards, olive groves, coastal paths and unspoilt beaches not forgetting the medieval city of Girona this cycling tour captures the breathtaking beauty of this area.

**Duration:** week  
**Price:** from 1090 EUR  
**Level:** Casual  
**Activity:** biking  
**Date:** Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival Day

We meet you at Girona Airport or train Station and take you to the mountain town of Olot where you will have a personalized orientation and bike fitting at your hotel. Dinner included.

Loop around Olot

Today you will explore the Garrotxa region around Olot, famous for its volcanic landscape. There is also a very good museum dedicated to the subject in Olot which is worth exploring. The Garrotxa's Volcanic Zone is the best example of volcanic terrain on the Iberian Peninsula. It has 40 volcanic cones and more than 20 lava flows. The mountain landscape, the sun and climate provide a variety of vegetation, often exuberant, with holm oaks, common oaks and beech trees of exceptional value to the landscape. An easier option takes you to Santa Pau before returning for your second night in Olot. Dinner and breakfast included.

Olot to Girona

From Olot (at 440m above sea level) the Carrilet Greenway is markedly downhill to Girona (at 70m) so you will Girona through the verdant countryside with very little effort! This route crosses through magnificent scenery of cultural value. It begins in the Garrotxa volcanic area and reaches the Ter valley and on to the pasturelands of Salt and Girona. Tonight you will stay in Girona where you will discover the old town (the Jewish Quarter) of Girona next to the magnificent Gothic Cathedral. Do not forget the tapas in the numerous bars and restaurants in Girona! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Rest day or loop around Girona

Today you can choose to stay and visit the nice city of Girona and make some shopping or ride in the charming villages in the countryside around the city. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Girona to San Feliu de Guixols

Following the cycle path, a converted railway line called 'El Carrilet', this ride brings you to the
Mediterranean Coast. You will arrive in Sant Feliu with its wonderful seaport and old monastery. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

After breakfast we will transfer you back to Girona train station at 9:30am. Breakfast included

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Catalonia Culture & Heritage

This trip will give you a global view of this interesting and unique region of Catalonia, the Emporda. It has an atmosphere which is unlike any other in the region. During your trip, you can discover the works and life of the famous artist Salvador Dali as you ride by Figueres and Poblet, which are 2 of the cities in the Salvador Dali Triangle. You can also take advantage of the famous beaches on the Costa Brava and admire one of the most beautiful medieval villages Baix d'Emporda. But don't forget the food and wine! The locals prepare the best from its surroundings, taking advantage of the sea, the mountains, and the nearby fertile plains to eat very well.

Duration: week
Price: from 1120 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Figueres

Arrive in Figueres where an English speaking team member will meet you in your hotel to give you your personalized tour orientation and bike setup. Dinner on your own.

L'Aubisque & Hautacam

For your first day on the bike, you have several distances to choose from. You can choose a short ride, to see the Dalí Museum if you missed it yesterday. Or you can ride along the vineyards around the village of Peralada, which is famous for its wine Castello Perelada and has continually been produced here since the middle ages. You’ll then continue to Castello d’Empuries, the capital of Emporda. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

<\p>Castello d’Empuries to Torroella de Montgri</\p>

Today you will continue to ride on flat terrain, where certain sections are reserved exclusively for bikes and were made for the Pirinexus route, some of which is riding on the Sirvent Canal. After the canal, you will ride through agricultural areas, where the route is mostly paved until you get to San Marti d’Empuries with its beaches with fine sand. This area was strategic for the Greeks in the 6 century BC, which chose it as their port to dock at. You can discover this magnificent port which has some of the most interesting Antiquity engineering on the Iberian Peninsula. Now it is time to continue on l’Escala and the archeological sites of Empuries, Bellcaire, and then Castello d’Empuries following the Montgri mountain range. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Torroella de Montgri

Today we have planned a flat loop tour around the plains to the ?Gola? on the mouth of the Ter River. We suggest a circular route on plains until the mouth’s river, to see the magnificent ?Gola? of the Ter River, where the river finishes into the Mediterranean Sea with its wetlands in the Baix Ter. You will then ride to l’Estartit, a fishing arts and crafts village, which has converted into an important tourist centre with a wide range of services and facilities. Its main attraction is the ?Illes Medes? which have been declared a natural coast reserve. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Torroella de Montgri to Madremanya

From Torroella, you will ride up the Ter River through on a cycle path to Pubol. The castle in this village was bought by Salvador Dali for his wife Gala. The Gala Dalí Castle in Púbol, open to the public since 1996, allows visitors to discover a medieval building in which Salvador Dalí modified with his mind on only one person, Gala. The paintings, sculptures, and its library show an exuberant creative effort. After your visit, you will join the charming village of Madremanya? a haven of peace and tranquility! Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Madremanya

For your last ride we suggest a loop for discovering some of the most beautiful medieval villages in the Baix d’Emporda. Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

We will transfer you back to Girona train station at 9:30am. According to your program, we can arrange accommodations and transportation. Breakfast included.

What’s included

Departure transfer from Madremanya to Girona, 6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom. Daily breakfast at each hotel, 3 dinners included. Orientation in person with our local guide. Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT. Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets. 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people. Chocolate tasting. Wine tasting. Treasure hunt. Canoe. All luggage transfers. Comprehensive trip literature. Technical and emergency support available at all times.

What’s not included

Airfare to and from the trip. Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental. Lodging before and after the trip. Drinks. Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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Catalonia Best Of

From city to sea to countryside, this trip is the best way to discover the Spanish Catalonia. You will see it all; enchanting landscapes, medieval villages, and picturesque seaside vistas. The trip includes 2 nights each in 3 different hotels allowing you the time necessary to take advantage of each location with one or more rest day. And why not on the beach!

Duration: week
Price: from 1190 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Girona

Our guide will meet you at your hotel where you will have a personalized orientation and bike fitting. Dinner on your own.

Loop around Girona

For your first day riding, you will discover the Catalonia countryside and the beautiful villages around Girona. You will probably have enough free time to wander around the narrow streets of Old Girona. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Girona to Sant Feliu de Guixols

Following the cycle path, a converted railway line called 'El Carrilet', this ride brings you to the Mediterranean Coast. You will arrive in Sant Feliu with its wonderful seaport and old monastery. Dinner and breakfast included.

Sant Feliu de Guixols to Llafranc

The route runs gently down to Castell d'Aro then on to the fishing town of Palamos where you could visit the Fish Museum on the harbor or wonder round the fish market. Then you will join the very nice Llafranc bay a lovely place for a romantic dinner on the beach. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Hike or Rest Day

Today you can choose to stay in Llafranc in order to enjoy a rest day on the beach or we suggest an hike along the coast between LLafranc and Tamariu. The steep cliffs, clear waters and lush vegetation surrounding the coastal fringe of the Baix Emporda make this area the maximum expression of the landscape of the Costa Brava. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Llafranc to Madremanya

This itinerary leaves the coast and brings you to through a couple of medieval settlements like the charming towns of Pals and Peratallada. Pals is declared a Historic Artistic Site. In the Gothic quarter of Pals, pretty cobbled streets flanked by aristocratic houses await you. Do not forget to try the area’s cuisine, based on products from both the sea and of the mountain. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Madremanya

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Departure after breakfast

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- Wine tasting
- Treasure hunt
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- Drinks
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Champagne Best Of

This Champagne bike tour is based in the key cities of the famous wine region: Reims and Epernay! This is your gateway to the vineyards of the region and a chance to visit the most famous names in Champagne for a little tasting and education of this unique ‘methode’. Standing at the foot of the Regional Nature Park of the Montagne de Reims, and on both banks of the Marne, the Champagne vineyards are a spectacular sight all year round, displaying a whole host of different colours. Come and discover all the secrets of Champagne while cycling some rolling country roads where you can drop in to visit the cellars and taste the king of wines, including Hautvillers where Dom Perignon ‘invented’ the Champagne method. Walk down the famous Avenue de Champagne in Epernay, lined with Champagne houses with their elegant architecture.

Duration: week
Price: from 850 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Reims

Arrival in Reims, located less than a 1-hour train ride from Paris. Famous for its 13th century Gothic Cathedral and its rich history, Reims has something for everyone! After checking in at your hotel, you will have some free time to discover this prestigious city with numerous wine cellars, famous gastronomy and Gallo-Roman chalk galleries. Our local guide will meet you at the hotel for your orientation and bike set up. Dinner on your own.

Loop around Reims

On this first day we propose 3 options to choose from, depending on the level you are looking for (the group rides altogether on one of these):

The easiest option (36km - 22mi) is a short one taking you through the countryside of Champagne, forests and of course vineyards. With that option, you have enough time to get back to Reims and visit the city some more.

The moderate option (45km - 28mi) takes you to Massif Saint Thierry and the surrounding villages, many of which closely related to the coronation of many kings of France.

The longest option (54km - 34mi) is reserved for stronger cyclist and will include a few more miles than the moderate option with lots of peaceful scenery, vineyards and small villages.

Upon return to Reims, stay at the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Reims to Eperna

After breakfast, you leave Reims and head towards the 'Mountain of Reims'. The itinerary takes you through various landscapes: the famous Champagne vineyards of Chigny les Roses, a village with 41 wine cellars, mountain and forest. Today's itinerary includes a steep climb halfway through so pace yourself! You have several opportunities to visit vineyards, and possibly meet winegrowers. Upon arrival in Epernay, check in at your charming 3* hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop around Epernay

Loop ride around Epernay: Today you will again have 2 itinerary options!

The first one (42km - 26mi) takes you through the Vallee de la Marne where you can visit more cellars and stunning views of the valley. Don't miss 'La maison Champenoise' where you can visit this house built in 1642. With only 4 rooms but considered big in the 1900s, it shows how the locals
lived. You can also visit an old distillery at 'La Goutte', and on the way, you can stop in Chatillon sur Marne, birth place of Pope Urbain II. At the foot of its statue, you can enjoy a panoramic view of 22 villages of the Marne Valley.

**Departure Day**

Take your time at breakfast and then depart to the rail station. Trains to Reims and return to Paris are possible. Ask us if you wish to book any extra services in France! Breakfast included.

**What's included**

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Croatia Istria Wine Roads

There is something magical in Istria, the largest Croatian peninsula, immersed in the blue of the Adriatic. Its green forests, historic hilltop towns, vineyards, olive groves and gentle rivers are a perfect combination of the beauty of nature, history and culture. When you add to this the seductive tastes of excellent Istrian wines, you just know that this is an area which offers you everything you need. Enjoy an easy bike ride and explore Istria, passing through the hidden medieval towns of Gronjan, Oprtalj, Motovun, and the former Roman colony of Poreč whose charm will leave you breathless. Passing through a landscape of hills framed by rivers, with forests, vineyards and olive groves, you'll enjoy every moment. Take a break at the winemakers and taste indigenous wines such as Malvasia and Teran, treat yourself to tasty delicacies and experience all the charms of Istria, this exciting Croatian wine region.

Duration: week
Price: from 880 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Porec

Transfer and meeting at your hotel in Buje where we will provide you with the package including hotel vouchers, bycicle with all equipment, maps and a road book. Our minivan will drive you to Buje from where you will start cycling the next day. Overnight in hotel "Casa la Parenzana". Rural house in heart of Istria, a peaceful oasis for relaxation and an ideal starting point for daily exploration of this beautiful area. Dinner included.

Buje to Umag to Buje

This tour starts with easy downhill ride to the coast on the northeast point of Istrian peninsula. There is a lighthouse which you can visit, according to the legend build by count Metternich as his love nest. Savudrija is one of the oldest lighthouse in the Adriatic, built in 1818. It is also the northern most Istrian lighthouse. Its building is 36 meters tall and there is a keeper living inside it.

The trail continues south to Umag. Little town with about 45 km of the coastline and interesting hinterland integrates special features of the whole region and might be the best introduction into a different experience of the Mediterranean. Umag's history is extremly interesting; it was founded by roman nobleman who decided to make it his summer residence. The glamour, magnificence and glare of the times can be seen today in the Venetian houses of the old town. City walls and fortification are partially preserved as well as some renaissance and baroque buildings and churches. Vineyards and olive groves will create an atmosphere of typical west Istrian landscape. Visit to wine cellar to taste the muscat, local sort of wine. Dinner and breakfast included.

Buje to Brtonigla to Novigrad to Buje

From Buje area you're cycling through Kr?ete pitoresque village and arriving to small town Brtonigla. It has churches and monasteries from XV. century. Further the trail leads through vineyards and olive groves of Brtonigla area. Wine is very popular from this area (teran). Across endless vineyards You'll reach Novigrad where you can visit the olive oil production and taste some of the best oils, in one word taste Istria.Through Dajla and Karigador villages on the coast you’re getting to Lovrecica venetian bishops coastal village.Following the road through ?krinjari, Babii and Buroli village you’ll see traditional istrian houses.Road by the wineyard will take you back to your hotel.Dinner and breakfast included.

Buje to Motovun

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From Buje you will continue towards Groznjan. Typical istrian medieval town sprout high on top of a hill along the right coast of the river Mirna, renaissance loggia dating from 1585 and the beautiful St. Vitus and Modesto’s baroque church. If you just occasionally pass along its streets in which almost every door leads to art studios or galleries, and which windows from every direction echoes the sounds of different music genres, from classical to jazz, you’ll understand why Groznjan is known as "The town of artists". Oprtalj, unchanged urban medieval style of building, the narrow streets, the shops, the beautiful Venetian palaces, portals and covered passages, and particularly the unique view to the Istrian peninsula from the town loggia, according to many the most beautiful of Istria. From Oprtalj you are going downhill enjoying the view on Mirna river and eventually arriving in Livade, the truffle center of Istria where you can visit the local truffle shop and taste it in various forms. The truffle is a underground malodorous fungus believed to be an aphrodisiac. On the hill in front of the Livade is Motovun, surely the most famous and attractive istrian medieval hilltown. Around Livade is the Motovun forest which stretches along Mirna River valley is especially rich with truffles. Overnight in hotel "Ka?tel" in Motovun. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Motovun to Porec

This part of the trail goes from inland to the coast. It follows the road to Vi?njan where you will pass by an observatory. Its one of the 5 most famous observatories in the world. The road continues to the town of Vi?njan which is on 246m altitude and from there you’ll be able to catch a view on west Istrian coast and the coastal town of Porec. In Vi?njan surroundings is possible to visit many wine cellars with wine from Porec area, especially malvasia. Tour continues to Tar, a little town on the hill above the sea and to Nova Vas village by the famous cave (which you can visit). after passing a few more villages the trail reaches Porec. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Porec to Vrsar to Porec

From Porec the trail starts with sightseeing the Euphrasiana, the most valuable monument in Porec, a church built in 6th century. Follow the road until you reach the village of Bacva village. Bacva is the highest point of this stage and there is local restaurant with traditional dishes where you can enjoy tasting local food. It continues to southern villages and it comes down to coast in the town of Vrsar. With a commanding view of the coast, it was natural for Vrsar to become a defended fortress. Only parts of the fortification system, built in the 12th century, have been preserved but the fortress-castle used as summer residence of the Porec bishops, is well worth a look. After Vrsar the trail passes Funtana fishing village, Zelena and Plava Laguna touristic villages are the south doorstep of Porec. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Porec to Kanfanar to Rovinj

After breakfast you can choose to be transferred to Kanfanar or reach it on your own. Kanfanar is a small town above the Lim valley. From Kanfanar starts the flattest ride of all in this tour. Passing by istrian inland villages you will see traditional Istrian toolhouses (kazun). After reaching Bale you can
visit the Bebmbo palace, city square and museum. Continue to Rovinj and on the way you'll seed "Palud" an ornithological reserve in which you can cycle around. After village Kokuletovica you can turn in Monkodonja. Monkodonja is a prehistoric hilltown inhabited about 1800-1200 BC during the Bronze Age. After Monkodonja you will reach Rovinj, your goal of this tour, the "Pearl of Adriatic". With its church and belltower on the hill by the sea its very recognizable from all sides. Also called istrian Venice, old town which was once an island and then connected with land, famous for its traditional boat called batana. Restaurants with fresh fish combined with malvasia will complete this week's atmosphere. It will fascinate you.Everybody can enjoy Rovinj, its charm and magic. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure day

Departure after breakfast. Depending on your wishes, we can arrange additional accommodation or transportation before or after your tour. Breakfast included.

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Elbe River Trail 7 Nights

This superb trail leads you along one of the largest European rivers, the Elbe (total length 360 km), and through two countries, the Czech Republic and Germany. Starting in Prague, close to the river's source amongst the mighty Krkonose Mountains, you'll enjoy one of our most leisurely routes. Go zoom downhill and comfortably pedal on roads that are mostly straight. Like the majority of our cycling routes following water courses, this path offers beautiful views of the river and the surroundings. One very special highlight is the confluence of the Elbe with the Vltava River in beautiful Melnik, Czech Republic. Along the route, there are also many interesting monuments in the towns and villages that have historical centers protected to preserve their historical charm, such as in Vrchlabi, Jaromer, Hradec Kralove, Pardubice, Kolin, Podebrady and Stara Boleslav. In addition, there are a host of chateaux and castles you may choose to visit. For sure, you'll not want to miss the stunning palaces at Kuks, Vrchlabi, Kuneticka Hora, Melnik, Libechov and Decin before pushing through to the spa town of Bad Schandau and finishing your extraordinary adventure in Dresden.

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival in Prague

Prague is the “city of a thousand spires”. The Charles Bridge, the Old Town square and Prague Castle are all great places to visit. The Prague Castle is the largest castle complex in Europe and shouldn’t be missed.

Ride from Prague to Melnik

You will be met by your tour guide who will explain how the tour works with the Road Book, GPS, hotel vouchers, emergency assistance, and answer any questions that you may have. After setting up your bike so that you can ride comfortably and efficiently, you’ll have a short transfer to the outskirts of Prague where you will start your cycling. The start of the tour sees Prague left behind as you cycle along the Vltava River, the longest in the Czech Republic. After passing the castles of Troja and Nelahozeves, the landscape will slowly change to having more vineyards. Once in Melnik, which is the center of the Bohemian wine growing region, it is worth tasting some wine in one of the many cellars. Melnik’s renaissance palace looks out over the confluence of the Vltava with the Labe, offering a nice place to relax and take a few photos.

Ride from Melnik to Litomerice

Today’s ride takes you from Melnik through Roudnice nad Labem, and Libechov, which has an incredible palace and garden. The next stop is in Terezin, which was a transit camp and ghetto that was used for Jewish and other Nazi prisoners during WWII. In this fortress town a memorial is maintained as a monument to the memory of the people who passed through. From here it is a short ride to Litomerice, which contains superb architecture and is the main town of the region.

Ride from Litomerice to Decin

As you cycle along the river valley, be sure to look out for the ruins of Strekov Castle high above the river, and then continue on to the town of Usti nad Labem. Today’s route finishes in Decin, which is at the border with the sandstone rock outcrops of the Bohemian Switzerland area.

Loop ride from Decin to Hrensko with a hike to the Pravcicka Brana stone arch
Today's ride goes through the interesting landscape of the Bohemian Switzerland area to Hrensko. Here you will cross the river for a walking trip to see the Pravcicka Brana which is the largest natural stone arch on the European continent. It's the symbol of Saxon Switzerland National Park.

From Decin to Bad Schandau

Today's ride, rather easy in length, continues through the unique landscape of the Bohemian Switzerland to the German border, then continuing on to Bad Schandau. You'll be riding through forested river valleys that have been carved over millions of years by the Elbe, leaving intricate formations in the sandstone. Once you cross the border, this same Bohemian area changes its name to Saxon once in German. A hilly ride but can be modified to be shorter cutting out hills. Dinner on your own.

From Bad Schandau to Dresden

Continue through the sandstone formations of Saxon Switzerland. As you journey along the Elbe river valley you will pass the impressive Bastei fortification high above the town of Rathen. You'll finish by cycling through peaceful meadows and precious wetlands on the way to Dresden, rounding off this tour perfectly.

Departure day

Sightseeing is recommended in Dresden after your breakfast. No visitor to Dresden should miss the Zwinger Pavilion, The Frauenkirche Church, the Semper Opera House, and the Royal Palace. Depending to your program and schedule, we can arrange accommodations and transportations before or after your tour.

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Passau to Vienna 7 Nights

Loved by many, this is the most famous cycling trail in Europe. The route is smooth, easy, and stunningly beautiful. Ride through pretty Austrian towns providing excellent services for cyclists along the Danube river. From Passau, at the confluence of the rivers Danube, Inn and Ilz, you will ride right along the Danube, in a deep river valley with castles and churches perched overlooking the river. See the romantic river meanders near the town of Schlogen, and the vineyards, meadows, and orchards of the Wachau wine region. Continue through small towns with rich cultural heritage: Melk with its beautiful monastery, Grein, and Krems on to the graceful city of Vienna.

Duration: week
Price: from 1250 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Passau, the City of three rivers in Deutschland

Arrive at the starting point of this tour Passau, with its impressive cathedral housing the biggest church organ of the world. Dinner on your own.

Passau to Schlogen

Your cycle tour will begin by a beautiful ride along a densely-wooded, granite river valley, through the Sauwald to Schlogen where the hard, impermeable granite rock forces the Danube to flow back on itself, an incredible natural feature. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Schlogen to Linz

Today the route brings you along the immense Danube river valley between Schlogen and Linz. After a stop at the Wilhering monastery, with its particularly beautiful church, you continue on to the town of Linz. Linz has a host of museums and churches including the Church of St. Martin, which is the oldest church in Austria to have survived in its original form. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Linz to Grein

The first stop on the route is Enns, once a Roman settlement called Lauriocum and one of the oldest towns in Austria. The tower in Enns, built in 1565-68 is a masterpiece of Renaissance design. Another stop along the way is the riverside town of Mauthausen lesser known as the site of a terrible concentration camp in WWII. The rest of the route brings you through the meadow landscapes of the Machland river plain to the beginning of the Strudengau river valley. On the way you will pass through the towns of Wallsee and Ardagger, finally arriving at the town of Grein. Grein, on the banks of the Danube, has a 15th century castle. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Grein to Melk

Between Linz and Melk you will be cycling through the beautiful landscape of the Studengau, a narrow section of the Danube. Today you'll take a peaceful, romantic ride through the countryside
along the Danube, passing though tiny Austrian villages. After the village of Marbach, you will pass the Maria Taferl, a centuries old pilgrimage destination perched on a rugged hilltop. As you cycle on to Melk you will begin to encounter the historical landscape of Nibelungengau. Then it is on to Melk with its famous Benedictine Monastery and spectacular church. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Melk to Tulln

The route follows the Danube through the beautiful, UNESCO protected Wachau wine region with its many vineyards and orchards. Along the way is Durnstein, a very picturesque town with narrow streets, busy squares and charming shops. Next comes the historic town of Krems with its 17th century town hall and many beautiful churches. After Krems you cross the Danube and get a superb view of the town. Then you bike through Traismauer, past the Gottweg monastery, to the town of Tulln. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Tulln to Vienna

This final, short stage brings you through the Wienerwald forest to Klosterneuburg with its Augustine Church, from 1108. The destination, Vienna is a vibrant, beautiful city with many things to do including seeing the cathedral and the amazingly designed Hundertwasser House, designed by Friedensreich Hundertwasser in 1985. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure day

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Vienna to Prague 7 Nights

This self-guided bicycle tour from Vienna to Prague offers an ideal balance between recreational cycling and historical sightseeing. The cycling days are relatively relaxed, and travel through the Lednice-Valtice Area, Telc, and Cesky Krumlov; all of which are UNESCO World Heritage Sites. For much of your route, you will hug the Czech side of the Czech / Austrian border. This area was taken away from Czechoslovakia before WWII under the Munich Accords. After the war this whole region was cut off from the outside world for 40 years behind the Iron Curtain, the remnants of which you will encounter in several places. Also along the way, you will see medieval castles and chateaux, row upon row of vineyards and wine cellars, pristine rustic villages and Baroque towns; all there to remind you of the great wealth this region once boasted. Despite the great improvement in the fortunes of the local people and the development of services since 1989, the entire region still retains the aura of mystery to it. Add to that the brewing of some of the best beer in the world and safe back roads with good surfaces and you have all the ingredients for an unforgettable tour!

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Vienna to Valtice

We recommend that you spend a few days in Vienna before your tour. From Vienna, transfer on your own by train from Vienna to Breclav. In the Breclav train station, you will meet your guide, who will drive you to your hotel in Valtice and give you your tour orientation. You will receive all necessary information, have your questions answered, and have your bike set up so that you can be comfortable and efficient while riding. Overnight in Valtice.

Ride to Mikulov

Shorter Version: Valtice - Lednice - Mikulov You will start your biking trip in Lednice-Valtice area which is your first UNESCO World Heritage Site on this trip. Also known as the «Garden of Europe», you will ride on forest and field trails to see the two magnificent chateaux that grace the area. Keep an eye out along the way to see numerous ‘follies’, which are romantic structures built primarily for decoration into the surrounding landscape. A paved road with little traffic then leads you to Mikulov with its imposing castle, historic square, the tomb of the noble Dietrichstein family, as well as the synagogue and Jewish cemetery, where the oldest tombstone dates back to 1605.Longer Version: Valtice to Lednice to Dolni Vestonice to MikulovSame as above, except that upon exiting the Lednice-Valtice Heritage site, you will ride to Dolni Vestonicne. Dolni Vestonicne is famous for its ice age archeological sites where mammoth hunters left many artifacts, including one of the oldest ceramic statues, the Venus of Dolni Vestonice. Then continue on to Mikulov cycling downhill through the vineyards with a wonderful view of the castle.

Mikulov to Znojmo to Vranov nad Dyji

Shorter VersionIn the morning you will be transferred by car from Mikulov to Znojmo. You?ll then cycle through the Podyji National Park where you'll find untouched nature, beautiful views of the deep, forested river valley and at last, the only remaining remnant of the Iron Curtain in Czech Republic. Then continue on to Vranov nad Dyji with its chateau, perched high on a rock above the Dyje River.Longer VersionSame as above, but without the car transfer to Znojmo.

Vranov nad Dyji to Telc via Slavonice

Shorter Version
From Vranov skim the Austrian border to Slavonice, a forgotten Renaissance jewel with beautifully
decorated sgraffito houses. This has become a popular village for resident artists who show off their wares in the galleries throughout the village. Then transfer by the local train to the town of Telc, which is your second UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its preserved town center with Renaissance and Baroque style houses. Longer Version Same tour as above, but riding to Telc instead of the transfer by train.

Telc - Rostejn loop

Today's loop tour will lead you through the rolling countryside surrounding the charming town of Telc and is sure to offer many splendid views. The highlight of the day is the late-Gothic style Rostejn castle, which was rebuilt into Renaissance hunting lodge, one of the best preserved buildings of its kind.

Telc to Jindrichuv Hradec

Today you will cycle through the Czech-Moravian Highlands, through the fields and forests that inspired the music of Gustav Mahler, who was born not far from here. A unique stop on the ride is the memorial in the small village of Kostelni Myslova to Jewish painter Frantisek Moritz Nagl, a local artist who died in Auschwitz along with his family. Finish the day in the old town of Jindrichuv Hradec, which has the third biggest castle complex in the Czech Republic with 320 rooms and over 10,000 works of art.

Jindrichuv Hradec to Trebon to Cesky Krumlov

In the morning, take in the historic town and castle of Jindrichuv Hradec, then start cycling through the mosaic of ponds, woods and meadows of the Bohemia Lake District to Trebon, a medieval town whose walls are still largely intact. In Trebon, enter the historical center through a gate in the old fortifications and across a moat, part of a unique water regulation system dating back to the 16th century. In the afternoon, you will be transferred from Trebon to Cesky Krumlov, the 3rd UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Cesky Krumlov to Prague

Enjoy all that Cesky Krumlov has to offer. The old town preserves a virtually intact and unparalleled ensemble of Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque buildings. Among the attractions are the second largest castle complex in the Czech Republic and the oldest working Baroque theatre in Europe. Be sure that your camera has enough memory, as there are many pictures to be taken! After, in the afternoon you'll be transferred by bus from Cesky Krumlov to Prague with a comfortable bus (air conditioning, screen for each seat and set of headphones) - about 3 hours. Depending on your wishes, we can arrange additional accommodation or transportation before or after your tour.
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- Chocolate tasting
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Dolomites to Lago di Garda

THE guided Tour of Italia. All the "passo" you dream to climb together! Check our Itinerary and contact us for more information.

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Price: from 2550 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Buongiorno!

Transfer to your hotel on your own or pick-up in Milano airport (Malpensa) at 2pm. The airport is about 4h to Cortina d'Ampezzo. Transfer, check into hotel, bike assembly.

Cortina d'Ampezzo to Canazei

Climbs: Passo di Giau (2233m), Passo di Valparola (2192m) and Passo di Gardena (2121m)

Canazei to Fiera di Primiero

Climbs: Passo di Sella (2244m), Passo Pordoi (2239m), Forcella Orcine (1299m), Passo di Cereda (1369m)

Fiera di Primiero to Cavalese

Then transfer to Merano (about 1h) Climbs: Passi di Rolle (1970m), Passo di Valles (2033m), Passo San Pellegrino (1918m)

Merano to Bormio

Climbs: Passo di Stelvio (2757m)

Bormio to Dimaro

Climbs: Passo di Gavia (2621m), Passo del Tonale (1883m)

Dimaro to Torbole/Lago di Garda
Climb: Madonna di Campiglio (1682m)

**Departure Day**

Departure after breakfast. Transfer to Milano airport (Malpensa) at about 3h00.

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Dordogne Multisport

The Dordogne department of the Aquitaine region, in the Black Perigord, and if you can get that, you will be delighted to visit the Quercy. Nevermind the geopolitical boundaries; the well known name of Dordogne is equivalent to famous cave paintings, remarkable chateaux, delicious food, rolling green countryside, and historic villages! What more could one vacation offer? Well on this tour it does offer MORE - more activities and so our Multi Sport version of our Dordogne Cycling Tour!

We offer cycling, hiking, canoeing, adventure park, and a treasure hunt to round out the activities on this trip. You get all the culture and a different point of view while having a lot of fun! Just like our cycling only tour, here on this tour you get to experience the force of water and the large rivers that have cut the limestone plateau and provided for all the now famous grottos that prehistoric man chose as his canvas. You can visit these grottos, explore the historic aspects of important towns such as Bergerac, Sarlat, La Roque Gageac, Beynac, and Les Eyzies. See chateaux, and stay in charming and welcoming country inns & chateau. All that makes Dordogne famous is available in this trip!

Duration: week
Price: from 1050 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Bergerac

Arrive Bergerac - a large town with good rail access and services. This is your gateway into the famous Black Perigord. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the Maison des Vins - for local wines. 3 star hotel included, orientation and bike delivery at your hotel. Dinner out on your own in Bergerac; some suggestions will be included.

Ride from Bergerac to Tremolat

A fairly challenging start to this tour, it involves some hilly terrain up to the viewpoint of Les Cingles de Tremolat. A scenic itinerary, you will pass through St Sauveur and the surrounding forests. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Les Eyzies

We will start the morning with an orienteering course to challenge your skills and then later you can take off on a bicycle ride to the capital of Pre-History. On the ride you'll first stop at Limeuil, rated one of the most beautiful village of France. Then down to Le Bugue and then on to Les Eyzies! Take time to visit this very charming town and its sites/museums including the Font de Gaume. Font de Gaume is a cave that houses a collection of prehistoric polychrome cave paintings. Prehistoric people living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the mouth of Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The cave's most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Night in charming 3 star hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Bike & Canoe Day

In Les Eyzies there is much to do and see, but we give you an option for a canoe trip today that should still leave time for Les Eyzies. The canoe trip is accessed by bus to St Leon de Vezere near Montignac where you can embark on a 4 hour canoe trip back down to Les Eyzies. Back to Les Eyzies at the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Ride to Sarlat and Adventure Park

A nice ride that takes you to an adventure park where you can do some ropes courses in the tree tops and zip lines, a great time that you can do all at your own pace. Local French speaking employees of the park will help you with your harness and equipment. Afterward continue to Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in Sarlat. Breakfast included.

Sarlat Loop to La Roque Gageac

Big day, cycling and hiking! A loop ride is planned today to La Roque Gageac, about 29 km roundtrip, a village with traditional houses nestled against the cliff sides and a town recognized as one of the Most Beautiful Villages in France. You will then leave your bikes for an 12km hike (roundtrip) to Beynac and the perched village and chateau high on the cliffside. Return back to Sarlat via Roque Gageac after collecting your bikes again after the hike. Leave some time to do our ‘Treasure Hunt’ in Sarlat this afternoon! This little program will teach you about Sarlat history and take you into out of the spots.
Night at same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Depart from Sarlat. Time for leisure breakfast in the morning and then departure on your own. For help with trains or other transportation, please contact us. Breakfast included.

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Dordogne Best Of

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour starts in Bordeaux and then moves into the vineyards including the famous name of Saint Emilion on up to Bergerac. You then travel into the Prehistory region of the Dordogne, Les Eyzies and Sarlat. This combination is a 'best of' experience for a week timeframe in Aquitaine - some true highlights! You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris. The trip finishes in Sarlat from where you can take a small train to connect back to the TGV line. Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and the grottos of prehistory. You will pass through some old walled towns, see abbeys, and visit medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour!!

Duration: week  
Price: from 1490 EUR  
Level: Active  
Activity: biking  
Date: Starts any day

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Arrive in Bordeaux

Arrive in Bordeaux - a large city with good rail access and commercial airline flights from several European capitals. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the wine museums and shops for local wines. Orientation in the evening at your hotel with bike delivery and set up. Dinner on your own - many choices.

Ride to Les Eyzies

Your first ride will take you to Les Eyzies, capital of prehistory, where Cro Magnon was discovered. Take some time to also visit the Font de Gaume, which hosts a collection of prehistoric cave paintings. Prehistoric men living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Sarlat

Since today is a short ride but your destination has plenty to offer, we recommend getting an early start to give you plenty of time to visit the charming town of Sarlat, a medieval town built around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. Sarlat is one of the only towns in France which has kept its 14th century influence and feel! And if you happen to be there on Wednesday or Saturday morning, do not miss the wonderful local market. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in Sarlat where you have plenty of options. Breakfast included.

Ride to Lacave

Today you ride to Lacave and where you can visit the local cave. In this cave, the visit starts with a short underground train ride, at the end of which you will meet a guide to take you on a mile-long visit! On your way to Lacave, you can stop in Souillac and its Church of Sainte Marie. For those looking for a more challenging ride, you can skip Souillac and go directly to the Gouffre de Padirac, one of the most famous underground caves of France, with part of the visit by boat. Because it is out of the way (but worth it!) and quite popular, we recommend getting there as early as possible.
Tonight, you will stay at Pont de l'Ouysse, a charming 3 star property with a 1 star Michelin dinner included. Breakfast also included.

Ride to Rocamadour

After a longer ride yesterday, today is also a bit longer but can be shortened. Be sure to allow some time to visit Rocamadour, one of the most visited places of France, first as a pilgrimage destination, but also because of its beautiful village built on a cliff side. Do not forget to visit the Remparts, as well as the Rocher des Aigles where vultures, falcons and eagles fly free. You may want to visit a local farm producing and selling goat cheese, or just walk around the narrow streets of the village. Stay in a charming 3 star hotel, and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Carsac

Today, is a longer ride, so take your time riding along the Dordogne River for a quiet countryside ride. Your destination is Vitrac or Carsac, small villages in the Black Perigord. Vitrac is known for its Chateau and water sports. Your hotel for tonight is the very charming 3 star Villa Romaine with pool and restaurant! So enjoy an afternoon relaxing, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Belves

For your last ride, you will ride through some very scenic villages such as la Roque Gageac and Castelnaud la Chapelle. La Roque Gageac has the title of being 'one of the most beautiful villages' of France! Built at the foot of a cliff, right along the river, do not miss its Exotic gardens and the trogloodyte fort. Several famous castles are on your itinerary as well, such as the Chateau des Milandes, former home of Josephine Baker, and the Chateau de Castelnaud la Chapelle, an impressive fortified castle overlooking the Dordogne valley. Stay at charming 3 star hotel with dinner on your own in town. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, trains for Paris and other destinations possible. Breakfast included.

What's included

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What's not included

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Dordogne Classic

The Dordogne department of the Aquitaine region, in the Black Perigord, and if you can get that, you will be delighted to visit the Quercy. Nevermind the geopolitical boundaries; the well known name of Dordogne is equivalent to famous cave paintings, remarkable chateaux, delicious food, rolling green countryside, and historic villages! What more could one vacation offer? Here on this tour you get to experience the force of water and the large rivers that have cut the limestone plateau and provided for all the now famous grottos that prehistoric man chose as his canvas. You can visit these grottos, explore the historic aspects of important towns such as Bergerac, Sarlat, La Roque Gageac, Beynac, and Les Eyzies. See chateaux, and stay in charming and welcoming country inns & chateau.

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Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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The destination is the very charming town of Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own tonight. Breakfast included.

Loop Ride from Sarlat

A rolling ride to visit the panoramic countryside with visits at the Chateau of Monfort and rides along very lightly traveled roads. You can even choose to ride on a bike path back to Sarlat if you choose. Dinner on your own tonight, and same hotel in central Sarlat. Breakfast included.

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Dordogne Hiking

A fabulous Hiking Tour in the Perigord!
How to resist to the charm of the Dordogne and Perigord region! The Perigord is a land of chateaux, bastides, prehistoric sites, medieval fortresses, villages and its markets. There are four different geographic Perigord designations: the White Perigord, the Purple Perigord, the Green Perigord and the Black Perigord. This walking tour will take you in the Black Perigord. The Black Perigord overlooks the valleys of the Vezere and the Dordogne. This limestone plateau, delimited to the West by the valley of the Vezere and to the South, by the valley of the Dordogne, is covered by forests of chestnut trees, pines and Holm oaks, which give it a dark colour and its name "Black Perigord". This is the world capital of the pre-history with opportunities to visit some of the famous grottos, a country of hundreds of chateaux and high place of the French gastronomy, also known as the country of the "Good, Rich, and Unforgettable meals"! Of course, the excellent and welcoming accommodations on this trip will provide a real taste of the region, and give you the comfort a day of walking deserves! From the "foie gras" to the duck specialties, or the meals with truffles to the Bergerac wine; the "Produits du Terroir" are the part of the Perigord culture.

Duration: week
Price: from 1150 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day

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Arrive in Bergerac

Arrive in Bergerac - a large town with good rail access and services from Paris or Bordeaux. At Bergerac, settle in your charming 3* hotel with an orientation in the evening and dinner on your own afterward.

Bergerac to Tremolat

After breakfast, we will do a transfer at 9:30 am to Lalinde, a nearby village that was once a fortified site. The hike from there is a quiet scenic walk along the canal to discover the beautiful landscapes of the Perigord and views over the Dordogne River. Walk on the GR6 to Tremolat, where you stay in a beautiful 4* Relais & château hotel. Take some time to discover the stunning gardens or relax in the pool, before enjoying a gastronomic dinner. Dinner and breakfast included.

Tremolat to Le Bugue

Today, you follow the GR6 that will lead you to Limeuil, one of the most beautiful villages of France with its 12th century church. Your destination is Le Bugue, and you stay in a charming 3* hotel. To visit today: Limeuil, voted one of the most beautiful villages of France; Porte Romane and 18th century house in Le Bugue. Dinner and breakfast included.

Le Bugue to Les Eyzies

Loop ride around Epernay: Today you will again have 2 itinerary options! 1. The first one (42km - 26mi) takes you through the Vallee de la Marne where you can visit more cellars and stunning views of the valley. Don't miss 'La maison Champenoise' where you can visit this house built in 1642. With only 4 rooms but considered big in the 1900s, it shows how the locals lived. You can also visit an old distillery at 'La Goutte', and on the way, you can stop in Chatillon sur Marne, birth place of Pope Urbain II. At the foot of its statue, you can enjoy a panoramic view of 22 villages of the Marne Valley. 2. The second itinerary option (48km - 30mi) will bring you South of Epernay to the Cote des Blancs. This route will lead you through charming wine growing villages, which are for the most part classified as producing 100% 'Blanc de Blancs' champagne. The area owes its name to its slopes, being mainly planted with vines giving white grapes (chardonnay). Return to Epernay and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Les Eyzies Loop

After breakfast Today you can either take the day off to relax or do a loop tour around Les Eyzies. If you choose to walk, the itinerary will take you to the Gorge d'Enfer, located north of Les Eyzies. On this hike, you'll discover the many prehistorical sites of the area, such as the Caves of Grand Roc, L'abri du Poisson and many more. This is a very scenic walk through the forest where you will have several viewpoints over the Vezere river. Return to Les Eyzies and overnight in the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Les Eyzies to Sarlat

After breakfast; Walk from Les Eyzies to Marquay through the Vallee de la Beune. This is where many small rivers join the Vezere. Today's walk will also take you to the Roc de Cazelle caves, where prehistoric habitations have been reproduced. Next, you'll reach the Château de Commarque, a 12th century castle located on a rocky outcrop in the valley of the river Beune. At 5:30pm a taxi will meet you in Marquay and transfer you to Sarlat. Overnight in Sarlat and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Sarlat, Roque Gageac, Beynac

After breakfast, you have a nice loop tour to Beynac. You will have a transfer by taxi to the start, at 9:30 am. The route will first take you to the village of Vitrac. Then, after walking through the Cingle de Montfort, you'll reach La Roque Gageac, where you can take some time to visit the troglodyte sites. At 5:30pm a taxi transfer will take you back to Sarlat. Overnight in the same hotel, dinner on your own. Breakfast included. Includes time at the medieval village of La Roque Gageac, named one of France's most beautiful villages ; Exotic garden in La Roque Gageac, and the Château de Beynac.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast; bon retour! Breakfast included.

What's included

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Gordes Provencal Escape

This Provence bike tour is based in Gordes, where you will spend 4 nights in the same hotel of your choice (3 or 4-star accommodations). Standing opposite the Luberon, perched on the foothills of the Vaucluse Plateau, the dry stone buildings of Gordes seem to reach for the blue sky. Its fortified Chateau from the 11th century and its church dominate the buildings, which seem to melt into the rock. Just a few miles north, is the Abbey de Senanque, situated in a small valley and surrounded by lavender fields. If you decide to go south, you can stop to visit an ancient oil press and the Musee du Vitrail, which tells the story of stained and painted glass. On this cycling tour, you will be provided with different itineraries allowing you to discover the many landscapes and villages of Provence, and each day you can choose which ride is better for you: short, long, challenging, easy.

Duration: week
Price: from 870 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon & transfer to Gordes

Upon arrival in Avignon, you will be met for transfer to Gordes. You will have orientation and bike set up at the hotel in Gordes, and then you are free to explore the rest of the day in this charming village. Dinner included.

Multiple Loop Options

In three riding days, you can choose from several itineraries, the following itineraries are examples. We can also suggest some longer, more challenging rides for those interested. 2 dinners included during your stay. Breakfast included every day. This format allows for people of all abilities to come along, including non-riding participants. We can suggest visits by car and arrange spa treatments among many possible ways to spend an exciting day in Gordes/Provence! The Ochre Hills in Roussillon and the town of Apt (67km/41mi): A moderate ride through an area famous for its Ochre hills before going to Apt and Roussillon, the center of Ochre. Isle sur la Sorgue (39km/24mi): Charming town located on the river Sorgue. Includes visit of Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, village with a refreshing temperature due to the spring where the river Sorgue begins. This ride is best when done on a Sunday, because of the outside market and antique fair in Isle-sur-la-Sorgue. Bedoin/Mont Ventoux (89km/55mi): Hilly ride through the magnificent landscapes of the Vaucluse with a longer ride option to Mont Ventoux. On your way, you can stop at the Abbey of Senanque. Then you will go through a small mountain chain before reaching Venasque, one of France's most beautiful villages, on a hilltop with a splendid view of the area. If you choose to continue, you can go to Carpentras via small roads. The Murs Pass (3 options; 26/28/42km - 16/17/28mi): A beautiful and hilly ride, which will allow you to enjoy the forest and nature on this tour on the Murs Pass. 28km itinerary goes to Abbaye de Senanque 42km version includes both options. Valley of the Luberon (51km/31mi): this area became famous through the book «One Year in Provence» by Peter Mayle. Nice tour through the fossil village of Oppède-le-Vieux, Ménerbes (where Peter Mayle lived), Lacoste, Bonnieux and the Castle of Marquis de Sade.

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Amsterdam to Bruges 7 Nights

Holland, or the Netherlands as it is officially known, is a very bicycle-friendly country. The way that cycling is included in the traffic systems, the general small scale of everything and the flat terrain all contribute greatly in providing the perfect conditions for a stress-free tour! On this tour you will pedal your way through different types of landscapes, each with its own cultural and historical characteristics. From April to the first week of May, this tour will leave from Haarlem (instead of Abcoude) in order to admire and ride through the innumerable tulips fields between Haarlem and Leiden!

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Activity: biking
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**Arrival in Amsterdam**

Amsterdam is famous for the Rijksmuseum, the Van Gogh Museum, Anne Frank house, its beautiful canals and of course, its vibrant atmosphere. We recommend that you visit the city before your cycle tour, taking public transport (train and tram).

**Transfer to Abcoude then ride to Leiden**

You will be transferred to Abcoude where you will meet us to handout equipment and to give a thorough explanation of the tour. First day the bike tour goes from Abcoude to the historic town of Leiden, one of the most beautiful towns in Holland. This day the tour goes through typical Dutch lowlands, with quiet bike lanes, lovely canals and windmills on the route. Option with supplement (40eur) : From April to the first week of May, you will have the possibility to leave from Haarlem (instead of Abcoude) in order to admire and ride through the innumerable tulips fields between Haarlem and Leiden!

**Leiden to Delft**

On third day the tour goes from Leiden to Delft (famous for its blue pottery). Along the coastal bike path through lovely sand dunes towards the governmental town of the Hague. In the Hague there are a lot of interesting museums and national and international highlights to visit. From the Hague finally to the beautiful town of Delft to stay the night.

**Delft to Brielle**

Third day the tour leaves towards the harbour of Rotterdam. Along quaint villages and along a lovely canal. Pass the harbour of Rotterdam by a ferry crossing and by then it's a small ride to the picturesque village of Brielle to stay the night.

**Brielle to Zierikzee**

The trip enters the Zeeland province, well known for its highly innovative infrastructural dams and dikes to protect this area against the sea. The tour will be a mixture of farmland, coastal areas and a
ride over the dikes and dams. Finish this day will be in the beautiful historic town of Zierikzee.

### Zierikzee to Middelburg

Today the tour goes in the direction of Middelburg a jewel to stay and to stroll around. A lovely day along the coast towards the village of Veere and finally to Middelburg.

### Welcome to Belgium!

Last day people will peddle along a canal to Vlissingen to take the ferry to Breskens. By then towards the lovely village of Sluis and by entering Belgium it will be a small trip finally to Brugge.

### Departure day

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Connemara Best Of

From April 1st to October 30th.
This tour takes in the highlights of Connemara, Joyces Country and South Mayo. The starting point and your first night's accommodation location is Clifden. This colourful town is often labelled the metropole of Connemara.
The loop ride takes you around the coast to Augrusbeg and Cleggan and out along the Sky Road. Leaving Clifden you will ride to the Lough Inagh Valley via Roundstone. From there we travel to Kylemore Abbey and Leenane on the shores of Killary Harbour into the beautiful Delphi Valley. From here you turn east into the Maam Valley and Joyce's country to finish in the quaint village of Cong located on Lough Corrib and served as location for the film the Quiet Man and home to Ashford Castle (one of Ireland's finest hotels with magnificent park). The last day is an easy ride through the East Galway countryside to Galway, a bustling historic city. The tour is suitable for riders of all levels.

Duration: week
Price: from 1290 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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### Arrival in Clifden

Arrive in Clifden. Depending on arrival time we will meet you in the evening or first thing the following morning adjust the bicycle for you and talk you through the week ahead. If you arrive early, enjoy a day out of the saddle perhaps go horseback riding, kayaking or deep sea fishing. Dinner included tonight.

### Loop ride from Clifden

Today's cycling is a wonderful ride out along the Sky Road to enjoy some sublime coastal scenery. Along the way walk to the ruin of Clifden Castle. For the more enthusiastic rider you can continue along more coastal scenery to Claddaghduff and Aughrusbeg before returning to Clifden via Roundstone.

### Clifden to Kylemore

Leave Clifden behind to cycle through the beautiful Lough Inagh Valley to Kylemore, where you may like to visit Kylemore Abbey before heading to your hotel for dinner and a drink at the bar. Enjoy some traditional music and 'craic' (Irish word for fun!) in some of the local pubs. Dinner included tonight.

### Kylemore to Leenane

Take in a visit of the Connemara National Park before cycling along the beautiful coastline to Leenane. This small village is located on Killary Harbour, Ireland's only fjord. It was also the location for the film 'The Field'. Stay for 2 nights in a 3* hotel. Why not visit the Killary working sheep farm, or take a cruise down the fjord, on your travels. Dinner included tonight.

### Loop ride from Leenane

Today is a most beautiful ride along the northern shore of Killary Harbour into the Delphi Valley with its beautiful lake Doo Lough. Turn towards Drummin before returning to Leenane. Consider taking a seaweed bath at the hotel to relax after a day's cycling!
Leenane to Cong

A beautiful and gentle day in valleys of Connemara and Mayo on very quiet roads, as you cycle along the lakes of Lough Mask, Lough Nafooey and Lough Corrib. Finish in the quaint village of Cong, location for the film 'The Quiet Man' with Maureen O'Hara and John Wayne. Visit Cong Abbey founded in the 12th century as well as the Monk's House. Ashford Castle Hotel on the shores of Lough Corrib invites you to enjoy cream tea in its magnificent setting. Stay in a 4* hotel.

Cong to Galway

A last day of cycling and the route takes you on quiet back roads to the small town of Headford, passing by the wonderful ruin of Ross Errily Friary. Continue to cycle southwards through the pastoral areas of East Galway before arriving in the vibrant City of the Tribes (as Galway is also called). A partial transfer to shorten the tour to 40km can be arranged. Accommodation is in a 3* hotel.

Day 8: Departure day

Breakfast, followed by farewell and departure for your onward journey.

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Ring Of Kerry

The Ring of Kerry abounds in natural wonders and the beauty and grandeur of the scenery is unsurpassed by any in Ireland. Starting in the town of Killarney made famous by the magnificent "Three Lakes of Killarney" the "Ring" then continues anti-clockwise through Killorglin, Caherciveen, on to Waterville and Sneem before returning to Killarney.

We, however, find this route to be "over-run" with tourists and therefore unkind to cycles so for that reason we suggest a much more leisurely and quieter mix of inland and coastal routes to give you just the same beauty and splendour if not more!

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Arrival in Killarney

Arrive in Killarney and check into your B&B. Collect your bicycles and Information pack with route description and map from the proprietor. If you have time take the short circular cycle to Muckross House and Killarney National Park and then back to Killarney for your overnight stop.

Killarney to Glenbeigh

Leaving Killarney you'll cycle west under the foothills of Ireland's highest mountain, Carrantuohill, around the beautiful Caragh Lake before heading to the picturesque village of Glenbeigh and your overnight stop.

Glenbeigh to Caherciveen

Heading west from Glenbeigh, today's route takes you to the peaceful and tranquil shores of Kells Bay. From here you'll continue on west finishing the day's ride outside the town of Caherciveen overlooking Valentia Island. You'll spend two nights in Caherciveen.

Rest day

Today you have a free day. You can arrange a boat trip to the famous 6th century Skellig Island or as an option if the weather does not allow you to take the ferry over to Valentia Island and cycle around this lovely little island that is steeped in history. A hike option will also be available.

Caherciveen to Kenmare

From Caherciveen, today's ride takes you on one of the most glorious routes imaginable. An inland trip through the Inny Valley and the legendary Ballaghisheen and Ballaghbeama passes offering spectacular views as you descend to the southern shores of the peninsula and Kenmare and your stop over for the next two nights.
Kenmare circular route

Leaving your Kenmare B&B you can enjoy a lovely circular ride over to the Beara Peninsula and around Lough Inchiquinn before returning back to Kenmare. As an option you can continue on to Glengarriff and return to Kenmare through Turner’s Rock tunnel road. It is hard to imagine that two peninsulas so close together geographically can be so different in landscape and appearance; today gives you the opportunity to see this contrast first hand.

Kenmare to Killarney

Today you cycle along backroads to the famous Molls Gap offering wonderful views over the spectacular Three Lakes of Killarney. From here you continue cycling to the Black valley and through the renowned Gap of Dunloe before returning to Killarney for your final night.

Departure after your breakfast

After a final breakfast and farewell you leave your bicycle behind you and follow your own arrangements for your onward journey. According to your program, we can arrange accommodations and transportation before or after your tour.

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Languedoc Best Of

You will start your tour in St Guilhem le Desert (UNESCO site #1), a beautiful French village with one of the most amazing cloister in the world. The Metropolitan Museum in NY shows a replica of this architectural master piece. From there you will ride on the pilgrimage routes to Santiago de Compostela in Spain, the resting place of St James (UNESCO site #2). From St Guilhem-le-Desert to Moureze, famous for its beautiful dolomitic Cirque de Moureze, you will travel through rural and quiet countryside with several stops possible in charming villages along the way before reaching the enchanting village of Moureze, an area reminiscent of the famous Italian Dolomites. Don’t overlook the wineries in this area as this is one of the most important wine producing region in the world. The Causse and Cévennes (UNESCO site #3) will be the next step of this unique adventure. In this exceptional natural setting, the shepherds and flocks of the South of France, have carved out «cultural, organic and living» landscapes. The roads will lead you to the Canal du Midi (UNESCO site #4). Pierre-Paul Riquet was responsible for opening the Canal du Midi, waterway between the Mediterranean and the Atlantic in the 17th century. Unesco calls it «one of the modern era» most extraordinary achievements! And finally you will arrive in the City of Carcassonne. Carcassonne (UNESCO site #5) leaves you speechless the first time you see it. Its huge medieval defense system, the perfect restoration by Viollet le Duc, the castle, Gothic cathedral and narrow streets fill you with admiration! And yes, all this in one week!

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Price: from 1150 EUR
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Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Montpellier & transfer to St Guilhem

Arrive in Montpellier and we will transfer you to St Guilhem le Desert (UNESCO site #1) to start your bike tour. Installation in nice 2 Star hotel where you will have an orientation by our staff, and then you can explore this fabulous village. Dinner included; and then after go to the central plaza for cafe or drink of your choice to soak up the ambiance of village dating to the year 804! Dinner included.

St Guilhem to Villeneuvette

Take some more time after breakfast to explore this fascinating village before you go out on a nice cycling trip to Villeneuvette. On this cycling itinerary you will travel through rural and quiet countryside with several stops possible in villages along the way. You will ride on the pilgrimage routes to Santiago de Compostela in Spain (UNESCO site #2), the resting place of St James (UNESCO site #2). This is also an important wine country, so tasting is very possible. You will pass the Lake of Salagou before you reach Villeneuvette and your charming hotel. This little village is an outdoor place with some famous land formations that remind of the Italian Dolomites! 39km, flat to rolling. Dinner and breakfast included.

Villeneuvette to Lignan

Another day in the quiet back country of this region of Causse et Cévennes (UNESCO site #3) going to the village of Lignan and a very nice 3 star chateau hotel with pool. From Villeneuvette you drop down onto a plain and can enjoy some flat riding and vineyard country. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Canal du Midi from Lignan to Siran

Leaving Lignan after breakfast, you will drop further south and west toward the Canal du Midi (UNESCO site #4). The ride starts out flat before getting somewhat rolling. You will pass numerous villages dating from another time. At the end of the ride you are in the village of Siran. Some added optional riding is very possible along the canal. 51 km. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Carcassonne

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While you are just a short distance from Carcassonne (UNESCO site #5), the eventual goal for the day, we invite you on a ride along the canal direct into Carcassonne or a longer diversion to Fabrezan and Lagrasse and then dropping back into La Cite where you hotel is situated just outside the fortress walls. Dinner on your own tonight - suggestions inside the Cite included. 34 or 66 km. Breakfast included.

**Loop from Carcassonne or rest**

Bike ride optional today. With all there is to see and do in Carcassonne, we inserted this day to use as you wish. We will include 2 cycling tours, 44km or 67km, over flat terrain to see more of the surroundings but leaving time to explore this UNESCO World Heritage Site at Carcassonne. Dinner on your own tonight. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

Departure after breakfast. Trains from Carcassonne possible. Extra nights also possible, please inquire. Breakfast included.

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Languedoc Carcassonne to the Coast

This trip will begin in the wonderful medieval city of Carcassone. It is a UNESCO world heritage site near the Mediterranean Sea. The tour ends in the charming village, Collioure. The initial stages will be the most strenuous, as there are a lot of valleys. The essential first stop is at Limoux to taste the famous bubbly white wine, named after the town; Blanquette de Limoux. Enjoyed with a chocolate dessert, it is a real treat. You will then discover the tranquil and paradoxically wild landscape of the Hautes Corbières. There are breathtaking views with delightful villages nestled among rows of vines and majestic castles; Château de Queribus and Château de Peyrepertuse perched high on hills in the Cathare countryside. The final cycling stages are less labourious. You will be by the sea enjoying the Cote Vermeille for one day where you can visit Collioure. This is a Catalan port sheltered in a creek where the Mediterranean waters meet the Pyrenees Mountains. With an exceptional climate and guaranteed sunshine, Collioure is a unique spot, the source of Catalan know-how and way of life. Stone and sandy beaches, creeks and crystal clear water will entice you to a refreshing swim. What better way to end your holidays!

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Bienvenue ! Welcome to Carcassonne

Our guide will meet you at your hotel. Weather permitting you can try your bicycle along the famous Canal du Midi. You can dine and discover the fascinating medieval city of Carcassonne, a UNESCO world heritage site. Dinner on your own.

Carcassonne to Couiza

On your first day of cycling you will travel south through grapevines to the village of Limoux, renowned for its famous Blanquette (bubbly white wine). On this stop you can taste it. You will then need fresh legs to climb some hills before to join the village of Couiza for one night in a magnificent 16th century historically classed château. Gastronomic dinner included. Breakfast also included.

Couiza to Cucugnan, the Cathar Castles!

This route between the Pyrenees and the wild Corbieres traverses the beautiful Hautes Corbieres countryside with the Pic de Bugarach 1230m. Here you will see the famous Citadelles du Vertige, the Queribus and Peyrepertuse Castles deeply embedded in the epic Cathar history. The uphill challenges are well compensated with the awaiting breathtaking panoramic vistas. Evening meal included as well as breakfast.

Cucugnan to Thuir

You will leave the Corbieres passing in front of the Padern Castle on its rocky peak and you will go towards the village of Tautavel where there is the European Centre of Prehistory. After this visit there are some more hills to climb before reaching Thuir. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Thuir to Collioure

Before leaving Thuir we would recommend a little detour (+11kms) to Castelnou, a charming village classed among the Most Beautiful French Villages. Today's itinerary is easier than the previous days. Faced with the Pyrenean summits and then go on the beach at Argeles sur Mer, and the magnificent village of Collioure, where a well-deserved swim can be enjoyed. Dinner on your own.

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Last day is at your own pace, walking and relaxing on the beach!

On your last day you will have the choice of visiting Collioure, a snooze on the beach or else a walk through the vineyards which surround the sea. The splendid landside is there to be enjoyed. It is the ideal spot to end your trip and return home with lots of special memories. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Languedoc Canal du Midi

Cycling in Languedoc from Carcassonne takes you on a relatively easy cycling trip along the famed Canal du Midi to finish on the Mediterranean coast at Sete. We include some key cities such as Narbonne and Beziers which offer important historical sites and are yet so typical of this southern France coastal region. Experience the rural France life and southern style while enjoying both the key waterway of the canal and the inviting Mediterranean. Early arrivals at Carcassonne allow enough time to experience the marvelous and intact medieval cite of Carcassonne, one of the most beautiful villages of France. This would be a great add on to our Carcassonne Countryside tour to make a 2 week visit of the best of Languedoc!

Duration: week
Price: from 1020 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

*Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.*

### Arrive in Carcassonne

Arrival in Carcassonne. What a great place to start, your hotel is located at the foot of the walls of the medieval cite of Carcassonne! Drop your bags and go explore. We provide an orientation and bike set up in the early evening. You have dinner on your own tonight; we include some suggestions inside the walls of the Cite. This is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and worth an extra night if you have time; ask us for rates.

### Carcassonne to St Pierre des Champs

Leaving Carcassonne, you come to the village of Trebes along the canal as you cycle on a quiet and wide bike path that follows the canal. You can watch the amateur and professional boat operators come along and navigate the locks installed throughout the canal. Continue south of the canal to the charming village of St Pierre des Champs. Flat to rolling terrain. Some sections along the Canal du Midi are on a trail. Dinner and breakfast included.

### St Pierre des Champs to Narbonne

The route takes you to the larger town of Narbonne where you can visit the impressive gothic cathedral and old city. The cycling route does veer off the Canal du Midi and takes the Canal de la Robine which goes to Narbonne. Flat to rolling rides with some sections on a trail. Dinner on your own in town. Breakfast included.

### Narbonne to Lignan

The cycling route goes into the countryside today following small country roads where you arrive at the unique city of Bezier that is famous for the Feria it hosts in August when hundreds of thousands attend to events including bull fighting. Beziers is also known for the Saint Nazaire cathedral (13th-15th centuries), and the terrible history of the Cathars who were all murdered in a purge by catholic crusaders in July 1209. You cycle some additional kilometers to join your charming and quiet hotel in Lignan. Flat to rolling countryside with some sections along the Canal du Midi on a trail. Dinner and Breakfast included.
Lignan to Cap d’Agde - La Mer!

Leaving Lignan and Beziers far behind, you cycle to Cap d’Agde, a lovely station on the Mediterranean sea. You pass first Agde which has a history of trade via the port which was historically very important. It used to be called Good Fortune (from Greek Agathe Tyche) and became an important trade point between Marseille and Spain in the 3rd century. Further on the cape, you have dinner included tonight. Some sections along the Canal du Midi are on a trail. Breakfast also included.

Cap d’Adge to Sète

This is a relatively short ride along the coastal area between the Thau Lagoon and the sea. Once in Sete you will find a beautiful city of typical districts that are crossed with canals and where colorful houses overlook the water. Sete is the city of George Brassens, a popular French singer from the 1960s era. Dinner on your own in any number of places tonight. Flat riding. For optional longer rides, please inquire prior to arrival. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Trains from Sete to Paris possible. Extra nights also possible, please inquire. Breakfast included.

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Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Montpellier for transfer to St Guilhem le Desert

Arrival in Montpellier - we transfer you to St Guilhem le Desert to start your bike tour. Installation in nice 2 Star hotel where you will have an orientation by our staff, and then you can explore this fabulous village. Dinner included; and then after go to the central plaza for cafe or drink of your choice to soak up the ambiance of village dating to the year 804. The village is a UNESCO classified village and is a well known spot on the Camino de Santiago not only for its Abbey, but also because it is built in a narrow valley.

Loop Tours

Loop Tours, your choice of 3 rides(from easy to challenging): You will do a loop trip from St Guilhem to the Lac du Salagou (Lake Salagou). The lake is itself fairly large with a lot of visitors in the summer, but it is unique with a surrounding of red clay soil; the rocks dating back millions of years. The ride is rolling bypassing many small villages and wine country. Return to St Guilhem, and if you have the energy, walk some of the trails leading out to the surrounding peaks. Ride: 78 km challenging. You can either ride to the Gorges de l’Hérault: Varying in depth from 200 to 300 meters, the gorges are a real canyon hollowed out of the heart of the garrigues by the River Hérault, its one and only architect. A magnificent sight, and a real oasis in the heart of these arid lands, the Hérault Gorges all have their own special characteristics: whether the waters are calm or turbulent, they are, above all, a fascinating spectacle. Ride 51km moderate. The third option is a shorter ride of 39 km taking you to the Chateau and vineyards of Jonquieres. The soil comes from the local chalky rock (limestone consisting of calcareous fossil skeletal fragments of microscopic algae) of the Larzac Plateau. It is in this terroir that the wines find their fundamental characteristics: power, aroma, and a typical elegance. Return again to St Guilhem tonight. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Lauret

After breakfast, you will leave St Guilhem heading towards Lauret. On your way, Saint Etienne d’Issensac and its charming stone bridge (XIVth) and chapel. You will also stop in Brissac, a modest village settlement, but it is nevertheless notable for its 12th century church (listed as a monument historique), and for the castle perched on the rocky outcrop, which dominates and protects the village. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop towards Pic St Loup
Stop at the Glass blowing museum to discover the art and many steps followed. You can see the Dolmen of Ferrieres, located nearby village of Ferrieres les Verreries, a Neolithic dolmen dating back to almost 9000 years. Then, discover the surrounding countryside by heading south towards Saint Martin de Londres, with several views on the Pic Saint Loup which is the main peak of the Montpellier backcountry. The Pic Saint Loup is also an area that has its own wine designation because there are the vineyards of very high quality. You can include a stop in one of the wineries for a tasting. Return to Auberge du Cedre and dinner included. Breakfast and dinner included.

Ride to Sommieres

Ride first to Claret, famous for its many glass blowers, where the art was created in the 14th century. You could make a stop here in order to visit the glass blowers museum. The first glassblowers in the area arrived in 1280, attracted by the abundant resources of wood in the region. Today you will ride through the vineyards on 'le chemin des Verriers' (the glassblowers route). The villages on the chemin des verriers are Claret, Lauret, Sauteyrargues, Vacquieres and Sommieres. Ride 39km. Nice hotel in Sommieres with dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop to Nimes

You will use the cycle path called 'voie verte' just behind your hotel to Caveirac and will pass through the vineyards. You will see some bulls of Camargue on your way. Then you could enjoy the city center of Nimes, an historic town, with a very old past. The arenas, the square house, 'Jardins de la Fontaine' and the tower Magne, these monuments invite you in the roman antiquity. This rich past earned him the nickname 'French Rome'. You will come back to your hotel by the same way. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Montpellier

For your last ride, you will return to Montpellier, capital of the Languedoc region. Built in the 1040s, Montpellier quickly became known for its trade with the Orient, and its medical schools. With winding streets that date back to the Middle Ages and ultra-modern facilities such as the indoor Olympic sized swimming pool, skating rink, planetarium, and tramway system, Montpellier has something for everyone. Your hotel is in the heart of the historic center. You are close to the Triumphant arch, the ?Garden of Peru?, which is continuing with the magnificent and huge Aqueduct St Clement and the central square ?place de la Comédie? with its Opera. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

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Languedoc Multisport

Discover sunny Languedoc on another fabulous route that takes you off the beaten path - once again! This is our playground - our office is just a few kilometers away! On this tour we take you immediately to the beach at La Grande Motte and then inland. We will hit some little towns in the low hill country which also offers some great mountain biking - not technical but single track fun. You make your way to the charming village of St Guilhem le Desert with its medieval old town and pedestrian alleys. The cycling will do some canoeing and hiking there and then return to Montpellier for a treasure hunt with a cultural discovery theme. The tour starts with an easy arrival in Montpellier - accessible by train or plane. We meet you and take you to a very comfortable beach hotel in La Grande Motte.

Duration: week
Price: from 1250 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Montpellier & we transfer you to La Grande Motte**

Arrive in Montpellier and we will transfer you to La Grande Motte to start your multisport bike tour. Upon arrival you will have orientation by our staff, and then you can explore the town or go to the beach. Dinner on your own.

**Ride to Sommieres**

For the first ride day of this tour you will be a moderate hybrid bike ride to the little town of Sommieres in the quiet countryside. The little medieval town of Sommieres, with a much-modified Roman bridge, is where Lawrence Durrell spent the last years of his life. The town itself boasts no major sights, though its well preserved and has some charming ambiance in the center. A visit to the castle of Vieilleville (April-Nov afternoons), on the hillside 3km above Sommieres, should not be missed. Owned by the same family for nearly eight hundred years, the castle is full of exquisite antique furniture. Charming 2 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Mountain Bike loop around Sommieres**

Today you have a mountain ride in the extensive trail network around Sommieres. A combination of single track and double track will give you a sense of the nature and vegetation common in the region. Somewhat hilly, the ride is not technical but requires some short climbs and offers some fast and fun downhills and chutes. Return to Sommieres and the same hotel as last night. Dinner on your own again in town; we will include suggestions for both nights. Breakfast included.

**Ride to Lauret**

Back on the hybrid bikes today, your ride to the town of Lauret with a stop at an Adventure Park! After breakfast, you leave Sommieres on the road again, but nice quiet back country roads perfect for a leisure ride. On your way, you can stop at an adventure park where you will put a harness and climb into the trees for some ladder courses, rope courses, and zip lining! These parks, known as accrobranche in France are lots of fun and offer activities not at all common. You should be ok at heights knowing that with the harness you are perfectly safe. Overnight in Lauret, a small village near the Pic St Loup, staying in a charming auberge with dinner and breakfast included.
Ride to St Guilhem le Desert

Another hybrid bike day brings you to the charming village of St Guilhem; arrive early to explore this fabulous village. Dinner included; and then after go to the central plaza for cafe or drink of your choice to soak up the ambiance of village dating to the year 804! The village is a UNESCO classified village and is a well known spot on the Camino de Santiago not only for its Abbey, but also because it is built in a narrow valley. Breakfast and dinner included.

Hiking and Canoe Trip

You will return to the same hotel again tonight, so today you can enjoy a hike from the hotel and upon return you will have the chance to do a 2 hour canoe trip on some mostly calm river waters near to St Guilhem. Hiking is 10 or 14km, your choice. Breakfast and dinner included.

Ride to Montpellier

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Loire Valley 4 nights

The valleys of the Loire, Cher and Indre rivers are a harmonious combination of non navigated rivers, rich vineyards and vast forests. Discover the landscapes, unspoiled nature, beautiful gardens and breathtaking castles of the Loire Valley on your bike. The terrain is wonderful for bicycle riding - mostly flat to rolling - and is filled with rivers, trees, and colors.

Duration: weekend
Price: from 590 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Amboise

Arrival in Saint Pierre des Corps-Tours TGV station, located only 1h from Paris by train. You can also take a train to Amboise directly, about 2h from Paris. Transfer on your own to Amboise and settle at your charming family run hotel 5 minutes from the center of town. Orientation and bike set up tonight. Dinner included tonight. About nearby Vouvray wines: Vouvray is the largest white wine appellation of the Anjou-Saumur-Touraine region and it produces splendid wines from the dry and austere to the richest dessert wines, as well as excellent sparkling wines. Dinner included.

Amboise to Chenonceau and return

A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the fabulous Chenonceau castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the XVIth century over the Cher river and improved by Catherine de Medici. The castle hides several pieces of historical interest, furniture and tapestries. Ride back to Amboise for a moderate trip. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Blois

Depart from Amboise and ride through many small villages, stopping at privately owned chateaux on the way. For lunch, why not stop at the famous Gardens festival and Chateau of Chaumont for a picnic followed by a visit! Then you will either go on a short and quiet ride to Blois or choose the longer option riding through sunflower fields and deep countryside of the area to visit more chateaux such as Fougeres and Beauregard. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Chambord and Blois

Today, you will again have 2 ride options. The short option takes you to the famous Chambord, where you can enjoy the magnificent architecture and unique features. Then you can enjoy a chocolate tasting in a chocolate factory in a nearby charming village before heading back to Blois with a stop at the Chateau de Villesavin. On the longer option, after Chambord, you will continue south to the Chateaux of Cheverny, Troussay and Beauregard. Those are easy rides on flat terrain, just enjoy the scenery imagining how and why the kings chose this area as their vacation place! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Today is departure day, you can take your time getting started in the morning to have breakfast and depart at your leisure from Blois by train for Paris or other destination. Breakfast included.

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Loire Valley Secrets

This Loire Valley Cycling Tour was created to take you to another part of the region not covered by other trips, and do it at a reasonable rate. The tranquil waters of the Loire, Indre, and Cher rivers flow into one in the heart of this scenic region known for its vineyards, orchards, and magnificent castles. The flat-to-rolling terrain is perfect for cycling and is filled with trees and colors. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. This tour starts in Joue les Tours at the edge of Tours, an important cultural town with historical sites to explore. The cycling will take you to chateaux that are open to visit such as Azay le Rideau, Langeais, Chinon, Usse, and Saumur. You will also cycle through some important wine regions such as Chinon, and have the chance to explore some well known gardens such as Villandry. All the best of the Loire Valley by bicycle!

Duration: week
Price: from 650 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Joue les Tours

Arrival in Saint Pierre des Corps-Tours TGV station, located only 1h from Paris by train. Transfer to your charming castle hotel in Joue les Tours on your own, the Chateau de Beaulieu. Dinner included.

Ride to Azay le Rideau

Going first to fantastic gardens at the famous Villandry, you will ride alongside the Cher and Loire Rivers and along the Loire a Velo route. After, continue toward Azay le Rideau and that classic chateau, where you can spend plenty of time to visit the castle and possibly see the sound and light show. This renaissance era castle is considered a classic design and its setting alongside the Indre River is magic. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Chinon

Ride from Azay-le-Rideau to Chinon for a full day of cycling around castles. Your first stop is in Langeais, where the Chateau was the temporary lair of lawless armed bands during the Hundred Years War. Then the ride continues to the Chateau of Usse, a fairytale castle which is reputed to have inspired the story of Sleeping Beauty and a "must" for all Walt Disney's fans. You will then finish by riding to Chinon, house to a few interesting museums, where you can taste some of the local wine, made famous in the writings of Francois Rabelais. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Saumur

Ride from Chinon to Saumur, house of a beautiful castle and delicious wine. You will start your ride to Saumur with a stop at the Abbey of Fontevraud, one of the most beautiful and largest abbeys in Europe. Then as you approach Saumur, you will begin to see the magnificent Chateau overlooking the Loire River and surrounded by endless vineyards. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after a sumptuous breakfast at the hotel. Breakfast is included.
What's included

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What's not included

, Airfare to and from the trip , Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental. , Lodging before and after the trip , Drinks , Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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Loire Chambord to Atlantic

This Loire Valley Cycling Tour covers more ground on a line that follows the Loire River all the way to the Atlantic Coast. Starting in the historical old city of Blois, the route passes numerous chateaux, historical sites, and fascinating towns and cities. The flat-to-rolling terrain is perfect for cycling and is filled with trees and colors.

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Duration: week
Price: from 995 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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### Arrive in Blois

Arrive in Blois which is located only 1.5 hours from Paris by train. Your hotel is close to the train station, which allows you to reach your hotel easily and to walk around and discover the royal town and its Chateau. Orientation and bicycle set up in the evening at the hotel. Dinner on your own.

### Blois to Amboise

You should start early on this day if you want to take time to visit the castles. Today the ride starts out quiet and the anticipation builds as you approach the forest of Chambord that hides the most famous of the Loire chateaux until the last moment when you come into the clearing and see the site! Coming out from the park of Chambord, you will have the possibility to try some chocolate, visit Bracieux village and/or another famous castles: Cheverny and Chateau of Chaumont sur Loire and its International garden festival. At the end you arrive to the royal village of Amboise. The short option does not go to Cheverny. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

### Amboise to Chinon

Today you go through the history of France and its different types of castles. Today's ride is mostly on bike lane roads. The first leg of today's ride will take you through the vineyards of Montlouis before reaching Tours. Then you pass nearby the chateau of Villandry with its famous garden and the medieval village of Langeais with its massive medieval castle. At last you can have a look to the sleeping beauty Chateau of Usse before reaching the town where Jeanne of Arc met the King Charles VII: Chinon. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

### Chinon to Angers

Wine day! Leaving the vineyards of Chinon, you will then go through the vineyards of Saumur, Champigny and finally Anjou at the end of your ride. On your way, you will be able to visit the largest abbey in Europe: Fontevraud, definitely worth a stop! Some of the highlights for today also include the chateau and city of Saumur and the fortress in Angers. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

### Angers to Nantes

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Riding day with short hills and long distance, so we recommend starting early! The ride today will be very peaceful, along the Loire River, with very little traffic. Your destination or today is Nantes, a very dynamic city which is great for cyclists since they have pushed and developed the use of bikes and bike friendly roads in town. On the way you will discover small and typical French villages with their unique Churches (St Florent le Vieil, Ancenis). Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Nantes to Pornic

The ride today will take you to the coast of the Atlantic Ocean for your last night! First, you can make a stop to visit the extraordinary artistic project of the MACHINES DE L ILE, a blend of the invented worlds of Jules Verne. Then go through the tiny fishing village of Trentemoult. And the last part of your ride will have you ride on small roads all the way to the Ocean. You will ride along the coast for a few miles before reaching your hotel in Pornic, which offers spa treatments to reward yourself after such a challenging tour! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. You can take a train back to Paris via Nantes or add additional nights! Breakfast included.

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Loire Valley Deluxe

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Duration: week  
Price: from 1850 EUR  
Level: Casual  
Activity: biking  
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Amboise**

Arrive in Amboise and head to hotel Le Choiseul just near the castle. Settle in and visit the village and sites. Amboise is a small town with much to see and do; among which is the Clos Luce (Leonardo DaVinci) and the chateau. Orientation in the evening and gourmet dinner in your chateau tonight. Dinner included.

**Loop ride To Chenonceau**

Today is a perfect way to get started; you have a loop tour out to the Chateau of Chenonceau and back to Amboise. Along the way you will cycle some quiet back country roads and drop into the hamlet of Chenonceau and the stunning castle there which is famously perched over the Cher River. This famous castle is where Henri II and Catherine de Medicis and Diane de Poitiers played out their love stories. Back to the same hotel. Breakfast included.

**Amboise to Wine Country**

Depart with a nice paved bike lane in the middle of the vineyard of Montlouis. You then have the opportunity to visit Chateau Bourdaisiere (ONLY garden and tomato conservatory). Before reaching your deluxe lodging at the Chateau Artigny, you can first visit the Donjon of Montbazon. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Ride to Azay le Rideau to Luynes**

You start with a nice ride through rolling countryside to the site of the castle of Azay le Rideau (option to visit the Chateau of Villandry). Here, alongside the Indre River, this is one of the more classical chateaux from the Renaissance period. You will then cross the Loire river to discover the chateau of Langeais. After a visit you will start cycling toward Luynes with a nice and relatively long countryside ride. Arrive at the deluxe Domaine de Beauvois for the night. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Ride to Saumur**
Starts with a vehicle transfer to the wine town of Chinon. Chinon is famous for its castle as well; dating back to the sagas of Joan of Arc and medieval times. From Chinon, after a visit, you will have a leisurely ride toward the famous and historic Abbaye de Fontevraud. This double monastery with royal heritage dates back to the year 1110. It is still a functioning abbey and open to visitors and then on to your hotel nearby with gastronomic dinner. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Loop Ride**

Visit the town of Saumur and its chateau: the great Chateau de Saumur itself stands high above the town. The Saumur castle was originally constructed in the tenth century by Thibault le Tricheur, comte de Blois, as a fortified stronghold against Norman predations. The loop tour today takes you to Montreuil Bellay chateau. Return to your same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

After breakfast, you can depart at your leisure. Trains from nearby Saumur to Tours and Paris are possible. Added nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

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Loire Hiking

The Loire Valley has seen many of France's kings pass through its regions, the "valley" is known as the Kings Valley. It is probably most famous for the King Francois Ier who was under the crown during the building of some of the most extravagant castles during the renaissance. However, many of the castles in the Loire date from the Medieval period and some even before. Listed as a Unesco World Heritage site, the valley offers so many chateaux, mansions, churches, and abbeys that a visitor can't possibly see it all! On this tour from Blois you will travel past Amboise visiting numerous chateaux and historical sites including Blois, Chambord, Cheverny, Chaumont, Amboise, Chenonceau! The hiking is mostly over flat terrain and encompasses some vineyards, low river lands, and forests.

Duration: week
Price: from 1140 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Blois**

Arrival in Blois, famous for its Royal Renaissance Chateau. Blois is a short train ride from Paris and has plenty to offer for your first night: pedestrian streets, 18th century stone bridge, Saint Louis Cathedral, shopping, restaurants. And since you are spending the night in Blois, do not forget to check if there is a Light and Sound show tonight (in English on Wednesdays!). Dinner on your own.

**Blois to Bracieux**

This morning, our local guide will meet you at your hotel where you will have your Orientation meeting. Then we will transfer you to one of the most recognizable Chateaux of France: Chateau of Chambord. You can visit the Chateau, walk around in the park, and then start your hike from Chambord to Bracieux through the forest. Stay in a charming 2 star hotel in Bracieux, dinner and breakfast included. Chateau de Chambord: is one of the most recognizable chateauxs in the world because of its very distinct French Renaissance architecture that blends traditional medieval forms with classical Italian structures. One of the architectural highlights is the spectacular double-helix open staircase that is the centerpiece of the castle. The two helices ascend the three floors without ever meeting, illuminated from above by a sort of light house at the highest point of the castle. There are suggestions that Leonardo da Vinci may have designed the staircase, but this has not been confirmed.

**Bracieux to Cheverny**

This hike will take you to Cheverny, another famous town because of its Chateau. The present Chateau de Cheverny is an original jewel among the more famous monuments that stretch along the Loire Valley. In fact, Renaissance style did not find its place in Cheverny, which is built in the purest Louis XIII classical style, distinguished by an extraordinarily symmetrical architecture. But Cheverny is primarily known for being an inspiration to Herge, cartoonist and author of Tintin, who drew the castle in his comics as the Chateau de Moulinsart, home to Captain Haddock. We transfer you at 3pm to your 3 star hotel in Ouchamps, dinner and breakfast included at your hotel.

**Ouchamps to Amboise**
In the morning, start your hike from the hotel and cross Chaumont sur Loire village rich in history and a perfect place for walks along the riverbanks. Each year the International Garden Festival is held in the castle grounds. But Chaumont sur Loire is also known for its feudal castle dominating the valley. After your visit of Chaumont, we will transfer you to Amboise, where you will stay tonight. Amboise has a lot to offer and plenty to visit: The Royal Castle, which introduced Italian-style architecture in the 15th and 16th centuries; Clos Luce: last residence of Leonardo Da Vinci, where you can see some of his many projects in different fields. Breakfast included.

Amboise Loops

You have 3 hiking possibilities today to discover Amboise in details. Amboise has a lot to offer and plenty to visit: The Royal Castle, which introduced Italian-style architecture in the 15th and 16th centuries; Clos Luce: last residence of Leonardo Da Vinci, where you can see some of his many projects in different fields. You stay at the same hotel, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Amboise to Chenonceau

Start walking in the forest of Amboise and through farm villages. Then continue your walk to the Cher River and the famous Chateau of Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the 16th century over the Cher River; and then improved by Catherine de Medicis. Gastronomic dinner is waiting at the hotel tonight! Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. You can take your time with breakfast. Additional nights can be arranged. Transfer back to Saint Pierre des Corps, Tours TGV station, is on your own. Breakfast included.

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Loire Valley Multisport

The Loire Valley from a different point of view! How many people see the Castle of Chenonceau from a canoe?! You can on this trip; as well as experience zip lining, cycling, and hiking! Discover the old town of Tours on an easy orienteering course, and taste some local chocolates in Amboise. The tranquil waters of the Loire, Indre, and Cher rivers flow through the heart of this scenic region known for its vineyards, orchards, and magnificent castles. This multi activity trip still takes you to the highlight castles, villages, and allows you to experience the best of the Loire but in a totally different way! For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. This tour starts in Amboise, an important cultural town with both a castle and historical sites. The program will take you to chateaux that are visiting such as Chenonceau and Azay le Rideau, and also the kind you stay in if you choose to upgrade. You will also visit some important wine regions and have the chance to explore some well known gardens.

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Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: multisport
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Amboise

Arrive in Amboise and transfer on your own to your hotel, located 5 minutes from the city center. We recommend arriving early so you have time to visit the city using one of the different walk options left at the hotel for you. Orientation and bike set up tonight. Dinner included.

Amboise to Chenonceau

Canoeing and chocolate tasting! A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the fabulous Chenonceau Castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Once at Chenonceau, ride to Civray, just a mile away to start your canoe ride! You will drop off your bikes there, and they will take you to the start of the itinerary. You will then canoe downstream for almost 2 hours, and pass under the Chateau de Chenonceau. Pick up your bikes and ride back to Amboise where you can enjoy a reward: a chocolate tasting in front of the chateau of Amboise! Return to the same hotel and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Amboise to Tours

Amboise to Tours and orienteering around the city! Following bike paths out of Amboise, you will first ride through the vineyards of Montlouis, a famous white wine appellation. Then continue, to the city of Tours (bicycle friendly!) where you can enjoy a nice lunch and try our orienteering to discover "Le Vieux Tours" the original medieval district of the city. Unique to the Old City are its preserved half-timbered buildings and La Place Plumereau, a square with busy pubs and restaurants, where terraces fill the center of the square. Walking around Tours. Night in the center of town, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Tours to Azay le Rideau

Your first ride, once again on an easy road for bike, will take you to Savonnieres and then to the famous gardens of Villandry, which were designed to be in complete harmony with the Renaissance architecture of the chateau. Then you will continue to Azay-le-Rideau, your final destination for today, famous for its Chateau on the Indre River, originally built in the Middle Ages to protect the passage from the road going from Tours to Chinon. The long option gives you the opportunity to visit Sache, chateau of the famous writer Balzac. Night in a charming hotel with dinner and breakfast.

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Ride to Chinon

Chateaux Day! Today the itinerary will take you through more Medieval Chateaux. First stop in Langeais, where the Chateau was the temporary lair of lawless armed bands during the Hundred Years War. After this Chateau, continue to a different theme, Chateau of Usse, a fairytale castle which is reputed to have inspired the story of Sleeping Beauty! Finally, you will head to Chinon where you will spend the night and where you can taste some of the local wine, made famous in the writings of Francois Rabelais. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Hiking, Biking and Adventure Park Options

Loop around Chinon with different options: riding, walking or Adventure Park! Today the choice is yours! We offer 3 different options for activities depending on your preferences! Hiking: A nice hike of 8.5 or 13km will take you around Chinon through its vineyards and back. Biking: ride through sunflower fields and vineyards to take in your last peaceful days in the Loire Valley (44km) Adventure Park: for the adventurous ones, you will have the option to ride to the park (20km) where you will enjoy zip lining nd other activities in the trees! Please note that the park is open daily in April, July and August, on weekends in May, June and September, so if you want to go there, make sure today falls on a weekend during those months. Return to the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Departure after breakfast. Easy train access back to Paris via Tours. We are happy to help with train info, added nights in Paris, car rental, or other services in France. Breakfast included.

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- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
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- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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**mountainbike**

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Loire Valley Classic 7 Nights

The valleys of the Loire, Cher and Indre rivers are a harmonious combination of non navigated rivers, rich vineyards and vast forests. Discover the landscapes, unspoiled nature, beautiful gardens and breathtaking castles of the Loire Valley on your bike. The terrain is wonderful for bicycle riding - mostly flat to rolling - and is filled with rivers, trees, and colors. On this 247 km bike tour, you will explore the area between Chambord and Azay le Rideau, and you'll have the opportunity to visit Amboise, Chenonceau and Chambord castles among others. Our selected hotels and the local restaurants will spoil you with regional gastronomic food and local wines. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures pictures from the fairy tales of childhood.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
# Itinerary

*Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.*

## Arrive in Joue-les-Tours

Arrival in Joue-les-Tours. From Paris, you can take a quick 1-hour train ride to St Pierre des Corps, and then a taxi to your charming 3* Hotel, Chateau de Beaulieu. Orientation at your hotel, dinner included at your chateau tonight. If you arrive early, you can spend free time exploring the old city of Tours. (Dinner is not included in basic version for that night).

## Ride To Azay le Rideau

Going first to fantastic gardens at the famous Villandry, you will ride alongside the Cher and Loire Rivers and along the Loire a Velo route. After, continue toward Azay le Rideau and that classic chateau, where you can spend plenty of time to visit the castle and possibly see the sound and light show. This renaissance era castle is considered a classic design and its setting alongside the Indre River is magic. Dinner and breakfast included. (Dinner is not included in basic version for that night).

## Azay le Rideau to Luynes

From Azay it is on to more castles, first stop Sleeping Beauty Castle Usse. Then, you continue on to Langeais on a very quiet bike road by the Loire River. You stay nearby to Villandry but across the rivers in Luynes and a castle hotel, dinner and breakfast included.

## Ride to Vouvray then Amboise

A flat ride to pass around Tours and then into the wine country of the famous appellation Vouvray. About Vouvray wines: Vouvray is the largest white wine appellation of the Anjou-Saumur-Touraine region and it produces splendid wines from the dry and austere to the richest dessert wines, as well as excellent sparkling wines. On to charming Amboise with animation and ambiance; dinner and breakfast included at your hotel.

## Loop trip to Chenonceau to explore

A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the
fabulous Chenonceau castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the XVIth century over the Cher river and improved by Catherine de Medici. The castle hides several pieces of historical interest, furniture and tapestries. Ride back to Amboise for a moderate trip. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride Blois via Chaumont Castle!

Depart from Amboise and ride through many small villages, stopping at privately owned chateaux on the way. For lunch, why not stop at the famous Gardens festival and Chateau of Chaumont for a picnic followed by a visit! Then you will either go on a short and quiet ride to Blois or choose the longer option riding through sunflower fields and deep countryside of the area to visit more chateaux such as Fougeres and Beauregard. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop tour to Chambord

Today, you will again have 2 ride options. The short option takes you to the famous Chambord, where you can enjoy the magnificent architecture and unique features. Then you can enjoy a chocolate tasting in a chocolate factory in a nearby charming village before heading back to Blois with a stop at the Chateau de Villesavin. On the longer option, after Chambord, you will continue south to the Chateaux of Cheverny, Troussay and Beauregard. Those are easy rides on flat terrain, just enjoy the scenery imagining how and why the kings chose this area as their vacation place! Ride distance is 49km Chambord roundtrip, with Cheverny count 63 km. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure from Blois after breakfast, at your leisure. Trains available direct to Paris. Breakfast included.

What's included

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itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times

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Canal du midi, from Moissac to Carcassonne

This trip brings you along the most beautiful sites along the Canal that links the Mediterranean and Atlantic Ocean on safe cycle paths. Take your start from Moissac and its famous convent, a unique treasure of perfectly conserved roman art. Your trip follows the Garonne Canal stopping in the charming cities of Montauban and Toulouse. Toulouse is nicknamed the « Pink City ». You'll be enchanted by its culture and diversity: pedestrian shopping districts, gastronomic restaurants, the Canal du Midi, bars, restaurants everything to fulfill your day and more if you'd like! You continue by riding on the peaceful Canal du Midi to Cathare country and finish in the famous medieval city of Carcassonne, a World Heritage Site. This is without question the most ideal place to finish your trip in beauty!

Duration: week
Price: from 1290 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive at Moissac. Greeting and bike fitting.**

We strongly suggest that you take advantage of your afternoon to discover the remarkable sites of Moissac: The Abbey and its famous sculptures. Before the end of the day, our guide will meet with you at your hotel to fit your bikes, explain the material (bike, GPS) and explain your trip.

**From Moissac to Montauban**

Today you ride along the Garonne Canal to Montech and its water slope, a boat elevator on a lateral canal of the Garonne. Before that don’t forget to visit the Belleperche Abbey and its museum of table arts. To get to Montauban you will need to leave the Garonne Canal and follow the Canal de Montech! Take advantage of your evening to visit the charming city center of Montauban.

**The Garonne Canal all the way to Toulouse**

Today head south to the regional capital of Toulouse! Along your way and along the canal you must stop at Grenade to visit the ancient bastide and its covered market. Head South to the regional capital of Toulouse! Upon your arrival at the Pink City, discover the Twim Bridges, the intersection between the Garonne Canal and the Canal du Midi, and Brienne Canal.

**Rest at Toulouse**

Take advantage of this day without cycling to discover all the fascinating aspects of Toulouse.

**From Toulouse to Avignonet-Lauragais**

You quietly leave the center of town along the shady Canal du Midi to meander the quiet countryside. Join your hotel along the Canal at Avignonet-Lauragais or a little further on at Labastide d’Anjou.

**From Avignonet-Lauragais to Carcassonne**
After crossing the Seuil de Naurouze and the obelisk of Riquet, you cross the small town of Castelnaudary, famous for its gastronomy and cassoulet. It’s also the entry into Cathare country and the unbelievable medieval city of Carcassonne, World Heritage Site of UNESCO.

Departure

It’s time to leave after a good breakfast. Or, stay a couple nights longer to visit Carcassonne and its region. Continue with our trip along the Canal du Midi all the way to the Mediterranean Sea!

What's included

7 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom  
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What's not included

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Drinks  
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The most beautiful villages of France

Taking its start in Gaillac, this trip brings you to Albi, a recognized World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Along the way, you will discover at least 5 villages officially recognized as the Most Beautiful Village of France and the magnificent Gorges of Averyon. This trip is for people who are in good physical condition. If you have any doubts, we suggest e-bikes that allow you to overcome any obstacles and offer a maximum of comfort.

Duration: week
Price: from 1100 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrival and welcome at Gaillac

We strongly suggest that you take advantage of your afternoon to discover the beautiful city of Gaillac and taste their regional wines! Before the end of the day, our guide will meet you at your hotel for a bike fitting, and to explain how to use the materials (bike, GPS) and gives you complete details about your trip.

From Gaillac to Puycelsi

Your first day of travels will bring you to Château de Mauriac, home of painter Bistes, then towards Castelnau-de-Montmiral, a certified Most Beautiful Village of France. Overhanging the Vère valley, in the heart of Gaillac vineyards, is a walled village founded by the Count of Toulouse Raymond VII. Inside its church is a relic cross of the Armagnac Counts with 310 precious stones? After your visit, it?s time to go on to Puycelsi and its ramparts for the night (another certified Most Beautiful Villages of France). Check out the super surrounding vistas!

From Puycelsi to Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val

Take a moment to enjoy the ramparts of Puycelsi before crossing to the other side of the Vère Valley to reach another Beautiful Village, Bruniquel. Stone or wood homes with small towers, flowered balconies and bay windows, cobbled streets?There are a multitude of small details to explore at Bruniquel! This is a great spot for lunch. Then enter into the canyons of Aveyron to finish your day at the charming town of Saint-Antonin-de-Noble-Val, one of the oldest medieval towns to resist history. Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val and its surroundings where the set of the ?The hundred foot Journey? film (2014), produced by Steven Spielberg, Oprah Winfrey and Juliet Blake for Dreamworks Pictures.

From Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val to Najac

Today there is no warm up! You will quickly leave behind the riverside and climb to Saint Antonin before reaching the Abbey of Beaulieu en Rouergue. Then cross the peaceful countryside to again find the Aveyron River and a remarkable panorama to join your hotel. It?s along this path that you are awed by the natural spectacle that unrolls before you?
From Najac/La Fouillade to Cordes-sur-Ciel

Today’s itinerary leaves the wild canyon of Aveyron to join Najac and its castle. The village homes with slate roofs stretch along the Gorges of Aveyron. Then cycle through the countryside to the Viaur Valley and climb the ropes to heaven (literal translation of Cordes-sur Ciel). This village was voted as France’s favorite in 2014! It’s an exceptional site with remarkable medieval architecture making it one of the most important heritages in Europe.

From Cordes-sur-Ciel to Albi

Today you leave Cordes-sur-Ciel to reach Monestiés, fifth and last village of your trip with certified Most Beautiful Villages of France. Monestiés circles around the Cérou River. An old stone bridge crosses the river just before the entrance of the former fortified village. You will then take the direction to your final destination of Albi. This city is remarkable for its orange brick constructions and red tile rooftops, almost reminds you of a bit of Tuscany. Albi will seduce you with its love for art and elegant lifestyle. Beautiful ending to your trip!

Departure

It is time to leave after a good breakfast. Or, continue on a few nights more to visit Albi and its area. Or continue on with your next trip along the Canal du Midi to the Mediterranean Sea!

What's included

6 nights of accommodation: B&B, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom  Daily breakfast at each hotel,3 dinners (2 dinners included for the Basic version on day 4 & 5)  Orientation in person with our local guide  Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets  1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 600T or 450T for 2 people  All luggage transfers  Comprehensive trip literature  Technical and emergency support available at all times

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Normandy Hiking

Rich in both history and natural beauty, the area of this hiking tour is home to the Normandy landing Beaches and the Bayeux tapestry and several very popular coastal resorts. A perfect place for relaxing and exploring! In our program we worked out an itinerary which contains a lot of memorials, museums, sites, cemeteries and places of historical interest. Also you will walk through villages and hamlets, parks and gardens and will discover stately residences, manor houses and fortified chateaux. You will visit the beaches where the troops landed to begin the invasion of France in the Second World War, continue to be a very popular destination and there are various associated locations such as the war cemeteries and museums explaining the history of the 'debarquement' as it is known in France. Don't forget to relish the fabulous gastronomy of this area; Normandy is well known for its superb gastronomy, using its signature apples in many regional dishes.

Duration: week
Price: from 950 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Caen

Arrival in Caen - the main city of the region and home of the WWII Peace Memorial. Check in to your hotel and then free time of your own choosing. A museum visit of the Caen Memorial is a highly informative and complete start of your tour. Orientation by phone in the evening and dinner on your own.

Loop around Caen

After breakfast, a taxi will transfer you and to the Battery Museum of Merville-Franceville-Plage sur Mer in the Calvados area, from where you follow a part of a local GR (Grand Randonnée/Long Distance trail) along the Orne River. During this walk you will, at several places, have a view on the sea of Sword Beach. The trail brings you via the fauna and flora of the Orne river estuary to the Benouville Bridge, renamed Pegasus Bridge where you can visit the Pegasus Memorial and museum, dedicated to the first liberators who arrived in Normandy on the night of 5th/6th June 1944. The west bank of the canal will bring you to Ouistreham where, on Riva Bella you will have an overview on the landing area of Sword Beach. Here you can visit the Atlantic Wall Museum, a former German headquarters. The Belvedere has an interesting orientation table and in front of the casino you can visit the Landing museum. Return to the hotel by taxi transfer and dinner on your own in town; suggestions provided. Breakfast included.

Arromanches to Port en Bessin

Today starts at an interesting point about 500 m east from Arromanches-les-Bains. On the descent to Arromanches you walk past Arromanches 360, a circular theatre where ?The Price of Freedom? is shown on nine screens. In the D-Day Landing Museum in Arromanches you learn about the construction and operation of the artificial harbors assembled in front of Arromanches on the days following D-Day. After a short walk along the cliffs we take some country lanes to pick up the trail to the Longues sur Mer battery site in front of Omaha and Gold Beach. More country road lanes bring you to Port-en Bessin. As soon as you walk in the town, the shipyard and trawlers of the fishing fleet will tell you that you are in important fishing harbor. After a taxi transfer to Bayeux, you may take the opportunity to visit one of the many points of interest of this town of art. The Bayeux Tapestry ?70 m long and 50 cm high, completed in the 11th century-is unique in the world. Other visits include the recently re-opened Musée de la Bataille de Normandy and Mémorial du Général de Gaulle. Dinner and breakfast included.
Loop around Bayeux

Colleville-sur-Mer, a nice quiet village will be our point of departure of today. A nice walk brings you to the see where we have a superb overview of Omaha Beach. You walk along the vacation resort and reach, after an uphill through a former battery site, the US Military Cemetery. You can visit the cemetery (172.5 acres) , the chapel and the memorial dedicated to the youth of America. There is also a viewpoint which overlooks Omaha Beach. The GR brings you up to the coastline where you can walk on the beach (part of Omaha Beach) until les Moulins. Here again you have to follow the trail until the Omaha viewpoint and museum of Vierville-sur-Mer. Return to Bayeux and your hotel, dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, at your leisure. Trains from Bayeux to Caen and Paris possible. Breakfast included.

What's included

4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, 2 dinners included (no dinner included with the Upgraded package), Orientation in person with our local guide, Bikes available for rental, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times

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Normandy WWII Memorial 4 Nights

In Normandy, an “artist's paradise,” wonderful coastline, woodlands and countryside combine to make a fabulous bicycle vacation. Of course, Normandy is also well known for the WWII landing beaches used by the Allied armies. There is much to see and remember here of that time. This region of France is also renowned for its dairy products, and the gastronomical delights won't disappoint. In addition to its cider and Calvados, Normandy produces the famous Camembert cheese. You're certain to enjoy this countryside as you bicycle through the green pastures and seaside towns, discovering the history that has made this area so famous.

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Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Loop Ride

Cycle to Merville-Franceville-Plage sur Mer in the Calvados area and visit the Battery Museum. Then head on to Pegasus Bridge, originally named the Benouville Bridge. There, you can visit the Pegasus Memorial and museum, dedicated to the first liberators who arrived in Normandy on the night of 5th/6th June 1944. Finally you will arrive in Ouistreham where, on Riva Bella you will have an overview on the landing area of Sword Beach. Here you can visit the Atlantic Wall Museum, inside the "Big Bunker", a former German headquarters. The Belvedere has an interesting orientation table and in front of the casino you can visit the Landing museum. Return to Caen and overnight at the same hotel, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride along the coast to Bayeux

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Loop ride

A loop tour around Bayeux to discover some of the most famous WWII sites in the area: Colleville-sur-Mer and Omaha beach. In Colleville take some time to visit the US Military cemetery, (172.5 acres), the chapel and the memorial dedicated to the youth of America. There is also a viewpoint which overlooks Omaha Beach. An optional ride will take you to La Pointe du Hoc.
immortalized in the movie The Longest Day. Return to Bayeux and your hotel, dinner and breakfast included again.

**Departure Day**

Departure after breakfast, at your leisure. Breakfast included.

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Normandy WWII Memorial 5 Nights

In Normandy, an "artist's paradise", wonderful coastline, woodlands and countryside combine to make a fabulous bicycle vacation. Of course, Normandy is also well known for the WWII landing beaches used by the Allied armies. There is much to see and remember here of that time. This region of France is also renowned for its dairy products, and the gastronomical delights won't disappoint. In addition to its cider and Calvados, Normandy produces the famous Camembert cheese. You're certain to enjoy this countryside as you bicycle through the green pastures and seaside towns, discovering the history that has made this area so famous.

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Caen

Arrival in Caen - the main city of the region and home of the WWII Peace Memorial. Check in to your hotel and then free time of your own choosing. A museum visit of the Caen Memorial is a highly informative and complete start of your tour. Bikes delivered to the hotel followed by orientation by telephone with our France office. Dinner on your own.

Loop Ride

Cycle to Merville-Franceville-Plage sur Mer in the Calvados area and visit the Battery Museum. Then head on to Pegasus Bridge, originally named the Benouville Bridge. There, you can visit the Pegasus Memorial and museum, dedicated to the first liberators who arrived in Normandy on the night of 5th/6th June 1944. Finally you will arrive in Ouistreham where, on Riva Bella you will have an overview on the landing area of Sword Beach. Here you can visit the Atlantic Wall Museum, inside the "Big Bunker", a former German headquarters. The Belvedere has an interesting orientation table and in front of the casino you can visit the Landing museum. Return to Caen and overnight at the same hotel, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride along the coast to Bayeux

Today you will ride from Caen to Bayeux. You will reach Arromanches & Gold Beach, where you can visit Arromanches 360, a circular theatre where "The Price of Freedom" is shown on nine screens. In the D-Day Landing Museum in Arromanches you will learn about the construction and operation of the artificial harbors assembled in front of Arromanches on the days following D-Day. You will finish in Bayeux, where you may take the opportunity to visit one of the many points of interest of this town of art. The Bayeux Tapestry 70 m long and 50 cm high, completed in the 11th century- is unique in the world. Other visits include the recently re-opened Musee de la Bataille de Normandy and Memorial du General de Gaulle. Dinner and breakfast included.

Bayeux to Saint Marie du Mont

A strong ride today from Bayeux to discover some of the most famous WWII sites in the area: Colleville-sur-Mer and Omaha beach. In Colleville take some time to visit the US Military cemetery, (172.5 acres), the chapel and the memorial dedicated to the youth of America. There is also a
viewpoint which overlooks Omaha Beach. After you continue to ride to La Pointe du Hoc, immortalized in the movie The Longest Day and after on to Carentan and Utah beach. Your hotel is near the town of St Marie du Mont, dinner and breakfast included again tonight.

Loop Tour to St Mere Eglise

A loop tour from your hotel will first focus on the Utah Beach landings close to your hotel, then move north toward the point on the coast at Quineville then inland to St Mere Eglise, and a visit the famous battery of Crisbecq, Azeville and the very famous village of Ste Marie du Mont. Then back to your hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure Day After breakfast, you are free to depart at your leisure. Trains through Bayeux and on to Paris are possible. Breakfast included.

What's included

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- Orientation in person with our local guide
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- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

What's not included

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Portugal West Coast and Sintra

Atlantic West Coast & Sintra Cycling is an incredible cycling tour over the Atlantic west coast of Europe! Visit typical fisherman villages and cycle by the Atlantic Ocean. Discover the most well preserved medieval village in Portugal, Óbidos and feel the history walking on medieval roads. Discover Sintra - UNESCO World Heritage, a land of castles and palaces. The trip finishes at the most the western-most point in Europe "Roca" Cape is a full stop to this wonderful trip. Terrain: 100% road, Sometimes hilly with short but steep ascents. Options: Extra night in Lisbon before or after the tour.

Duration: week
Price: from 920 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrival day in Lisbon

Welcome at airport or hotel in Lisbon. Transfer Lisbon to Óbidos (1h30)

Óbidos to Peniche

Start this day going to the coast and cycling close to a beautiful lagoon. Arrive to the Atlantic Ocean where the lagoon join the Ocean? a great place with a gorgeous beach! Continue towards south and you will discover an incredible village on a very small peninsula that looks almost like an island! If the tide permits you will cycle on the cobalt road around the village feeling the wind coming from the sea! Get then to Peniche a city full of fishing traditions. Peniche is also on another peninsula but this time a bigger one. The route will follow a scenic road by the cliffs where you can admire incredible rock formations building dramatic figures and landscapes. Get to the beautiful Carvoeiro Cape, and continue going around till you return to Peniche. On this day remember, the numerous restaurants located in the Peniche peninsula serve outstanding variety of seafood.

Peniche to Ericeira

After a start close to see on this day the route will go inland on the first half showing you different scenery. Typical villages, white houses with red roof and beautiful countryside will invigorate you on another great cycling day! Approaching the Ocean you will go by an incredible valley of limestone with vibrant green Mediterranean vegetation. Get to the beach and you can touch the fine sand again! Follow then a cycle path with great blue ocean views from above the cliffs till you get to Santa Cruz with its beautiful beach. After another inland section you will get to your destination? Ericeira, the Portuguese Mecca of Surf. Ericeira is also one of the most beautiful fisherman villages.

Mafra loop

On this day you will cycle to the interior discovering the village of Mafra and its convent. The scenery of this day will contrast with the days closer to the sea. You will pass by farms and vineyards on a hilly region. Then discover and visit the monumental Mafra palace-monastery.

Ericeira to Sintra
On the third day you will arrive and discover Sintra Natural Park and Hills, ending your day cycling on a constantly up and down. You will pass Monserrate where you can stop and visit the gardens and the fantastic Palace. The palace was recovered from the ruins of a neo-gothic mansion by the British millionaire Francis Cook in the 19th century; this is a unique and exquisite example of Romanticism. Its gardens are one of the most beautiful landscape creations, including an extraordinary botanical collection of species originated from all over the world and creating contrasting sceneries along winding footpaths among ruins, corners, small lakes and waterfalls. Arrive to the beautiful village of Sintra, a UNESCO site. If you arrive early or if you have a free day here you can go up on the mountain and finding the incredible Moorish Castle dating back to the 8th Century. Also worthwhile a visit the outstanding Pena Palace finding a wild fantasy of domes, towers, ramparts and walkways on one of the highest mountain peaks of Sintra.

End of Europe Loop

On the last day cross the hills of Sintra to the top on its mystic environment with time to stop and visit the incredible Franciscan Capuchin Convent with its tiny cells. Installed in the rock and lined with cork, the convent is a telling example of the humble and austere existence of the Franciscan friars who lived there. Continue riding to the Atlantic Ocean and get to the westernmost point in Continental Europe - Cape Roca, a promontory rising 150m from the sea. Discover impressive beaches nestling between cliffs artistically sculpted out by the sea? unique coastal scenery! Return by the Hills to Sintra.

Departure Day

Transfer (including bikes) from Sintra to Lisbon (30min) included at 9:30am (can be changed on request).

What's included

7 night?s Bed and Breakfast with private bathroom  Daily breakfast  Personalized welcome orientation  Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information 1 GPS per couple  Daily luggage transfers  Arrival transfer from Lisbon to your first hotel  Departure transfer from last hotel to Lisbon  Comprehensive trip literature  All technical and emergency support any day

What's not included

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Portugal Wild Coast

The Portugal Wild Coast is an incredible Hybrid Cycling route program along the most beautiful and unspoiled coast-line of Portugal. Starting in Grandola, this is an incredible tour that will take you till the south-westernmost point in continental Europe, crossing a National Park and a beautiful coastal line with 300km of beautiful beaches, and typical villages. This tour is 70% on roads and 30% off road. Terrain: Mostly flat, with a hilly region and some valleys with short but steep ascents. Some rough sections on the off road (gravel roads or double roads with some short sections of sand or rocks). There are some paved road alternatives for all the off road sections (just some viewpoints could not be seen from the paved road). Options: Extra night in Lisbon before or after the top.

Duration: week
Price: from 1190 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrival - Welcome at LISBON airport
1:30h drive to Grândola

Bike from Grândola to Porto Covo
Leave Grândola, on the sierra and cross a beautiful hilly region with an impressive cork forest. Pass Santiago, a village with a Castle. Left Santiago by a road on the sierra and continue to Sonega Village. You will get to Porto Covo, a quiet fishing village with its typical whitewashed houses with their blue stripe, common in Alentejo.

Bike from Porto Covo to Odeceixe (40% off road)
From here to the end of this tour you are in the Natural Park. Start day going inland till you get to Milfontes. Ride on SW Alentejano Natural Park with amazing views over the sea and visit stunning Sardão cape. Admire the incredible Stork chest's on the cliffs! Ride near spectacular cliffs and visit typical village Zambujeira. Continue through fields till you go down to a river. Crossing the river let's you came into a new region - the Wild Algarve!

Loop ride from Odeceixe to Marmelete
On this day you have the option to rest or to have a great day exploring the hills of the Wild Algarve. This day you will cycle Monchique Hills - the highest mountain in Algarve with its green hills full of wildflowers, chestnut trees, eucalyptus and cork oaks. You will visit a typical interior village - Marmelete.

Bike from Odeceixe to Arrifana (15% off road)
Start the day going to one of the most beautiful scenery of this coast - Odeceixe beach! After crossing a plateau you will go down again for more incredible beaches. Then follow a valley where once caravels sailed to the village of Aljezur about 5 km inland. Go up the narrow streets through typical houses and get up to the medieval castle of Aljezur! Follow the winding road that sweeps down from the cliffs tops to the sea where you will find a stunning village in the beach - Monte
Clérigo. End in an amazing village over the Cliffs - Arrifana!

**Bike from Arrifana to Pedralva (65% off road)**

Ride through some forests and get again close to sea by incredible village of Carrapateira, following a dirt road along the sea that shows this region at its most beautiful. Pass by stunning beaches, with incredible colourful cliffs. Go up on a dirt road under through a beautiful round pine forest and arrive to a typical and old village once abandoned and now recovered as a hotel.

**Bike from Pedralva to Sagres (70% off road)**

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**Departure Day**

Transfer to LISBON airport (3h30 drive) included at 9:30am (can be changed on request)

**What's included**

- 6 nights on charming accommodations with private bathroom (1 night in 3* Hotels; 5 night in 4* Hotel)
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Provence Secrets

This self-guided cycle tour will take you to places brimming with exceptional charm and history; places that make Provence a uniquely rich and pleasant to experience on bike. The route is an open invitation to discover the most beautiful sites and secrets of the region. You will marvel at the engineering feats of the Pont du Gard (UNESCO site), a magnificent symbol of Roman life in the region. From Uzes to Nimes you retrace the path of the aqueduct, an enormously important invention that allowed the settlers to flourish throughout the region. You will also discover the stories of Vincent Van Gogh and his life in Provence, cycling through and will the very landscapes that inspired his most famous paintings. At the Provencal markets, with their many indulgent scents and flavors, you will meet artisans who will share their local, handmade products, accompanied by a glass of wine sitting under the trees of the village! Throughout this holiday, the enchanting scenery and authentic personal moments will immerse you completely into another time, in a place of great beauty and profound character.

Duration: week
Price: from 760 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive and visit in Nimes

Your guide will meet you either at the Nimes train station or at your hotel before you visit the most beautiful sites of the city. Essential city highlights include Les Jardins de la Fontaine, the Maison Carree and the famous Arena, which will illustrate the rich history of this Roman city. After that, your guide will drive you to your hotel in the village of Collias, a secret location along the beautiful Gardon River. You will have plenty of time as you wish, to take a swim in the river or in the hotel pool. Dinner included.

Loop to Pont du Gard and Uzès

On your first day, the most beautiful places in northern Provence will reveal themselves to you. First you will start with a visit to the impressive and majestic Pont du Gard, which overlooks the river at a height of more than 165 feet! Arriving in the charming town of Uzes, you will enjoy lunch under the arcades of the famous spice markets where time seems to have stopped. No doubt, you will want to stay here. Luckily, you consolation is the gorgeous hotel for a second night. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Collias to St Rémy

Leaving Collias, you will cross the Gardon and its fabulous gorges to discover a magnificent panorama before arriving at the village of Cabrieres. Along the banks of the Rhone is the medieval castle of Beaucaire, a fortress that still bears witness to its distant and glorious past. Continuing on, you will ride to the beautiful village of St Remy de Provence where you will stay for 2 nights. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop St Remy to Fontvielle to Les Baux

Through the olive groves, your route will take you to the charming village of Fontvieille where Alphonse Daudet lived and wrote his finest writings such as 'Lettres de mon Moulin' or 'Le Tresor d'Arlatan'. After a short break under the plane trees, you will reach one of the most beautiful villages in France, Les Baux de Provence. This picturesque village and its medieval fortress overlook the Alpilles from the top of a rocky outcrop. The intoxicating perfume of Provencal villages is here: small squares, shaded terraces, narrow streets and charming boutiques! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Departure after breakfast

Departure after breakfast. Transfer back to Avignon (about 30 minutes) is included in the morning. Extra nights are possible, please contact us for a quote.

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Provence Classic 5 Nights

This Provence bike tour is a shorter version of our seven-night tour, this itinerary starts in Villeneuve-les-Avignon and visits the culturally rich countryside as far as Arles and back to Avignon - “Cite des Papes” (“City of the Popes”). Traveling on small roads away from traffic, it incorporates some of the most beautiful countryside in France. In Avignon and Arles you will find small streets and a maze of shops in the old town. In the summer, numerous festivals take place throughout the region. This tour has a number of wonderful attractions rooted in Roman origins and Provencal culture, up through the Papal dominance in the Middle Ages. The area is easily accessible by train from throughout France, and as well by air.

Duration: week
Price: from 790 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon

Today is arrival day and meeting day, which also gives the opportunity to explore Avignon, and the historical center including the Popes Palace. An English speaking team-member will welcome you at the hotel for orientation and bike delivery in the early evening. Dinner out on your own, we include several recommendations.

Ride to Uzes

The route will move out of Villeneuve-les-Avignon through the Gard forests and vineyards and to visit the famous roman aqueduct Pont du Gard which dominates the river at over 165 feet high. Swimming is possible in the river, as well as at the hotel that night. You will cycle on to Uzes, a beautiful Provencal village with plane tree lined streets. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Arles

Travel to the town of Arles, passing through mostly flat countryside except in the gorges around the Gardon River. You first ride to Collias at the confluence of the Gardon and Alson rivers. From there to Ledenon, famous for wine production, and then Meynes and its old fortified village. At Tarascon you can visit the Chateau and Souleiado Museum before going on to Arles. In Arles there is the extraordinarily well-preserved Roman arena, antique theater, and many museums, among which is one devoted to Vincent van Gogh. The ride is mostly flat but starts out rolling. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to St Remy

You may want to spend some time in the morning visiting Arles and the many sites to see in this old Roman town. Your ride goes to St Remy de Provence. The ride is not too long today, so in function of weather you can leave as wish. You will pass the Abbey of Montmajour and up to Baux de Provence. Take some time to visit the site of Les Baux, walk the old stone streets, and imagine what it must have been like 2000 years ago. After you will descend to St Remy where you can visit the town and see where Van Gogh made over 150 paintings. Ride with hills at Les Baux. Dinner and breakfast included.
### Ride to Avignon

Partez pour Avignon et traversez Graveront et Barbentane, où vous pouvez déjeuner et visiter l'Abbaye de Saint Michel de Frigolet, qui date du X siècle. Vous arriverez à Avignon dans l'après midi, vous aurez donc le temps de visiter la ville. Vous logerez dans la vieille ville dans un hôtel 4 étoiles charmant et également historique. Dîner non inclus, petit déjeuner inclus.

### Departure Day

Today is departure day. You can take your time with breakfast and then transfer back to the rail station or other on your own. Additional nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

### What's included

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- Bikes available for rental
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### What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
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- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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Mont Ventoux to French Riviera

We put out this short challenge for our stronger riders with an extreme challenge in option to ride the Giant of Provence; Mont Ventoux! Leaving the Luberon countryside behind the tour is a one way trip to the French Riviera with some long stages over spectacular countryside. This is the interior of PACA - Provence Alpes Cote d'Azur. You cross over 400 km in 4 strong days of riding with plenty of hills to cross and charming villages to visit. Take in some of the same routes of the Tour, Paris-Nice, and the overlook on the Mediterranean! We list this trip on both this site and our challenging tour site Cycling Classics. It is available in self guided or on a guided tour basis. Luggage transfers are long and expensive which drive the higher price in the self-guided version, which makes the guided trip price very attractive even for a small group. You can do this anytime, but to have good access to the Ventoux summit, we recommend starting after May 1. Bedoin, Gordes, Greoux Les Bains, Saint Tropez and Cannes are among the many places you discover on this tour!

Duration: week
Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Avignon and we transfer you to Bedoin

Arrival in Avignon train station and we transfer you to Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux. Orientation and bicycle set up at the hotel. You can explore the village, take a walk, swim in the pool, or relax for the rides ahead. Dinner included tonight.

Bedoin Loop Options

Different ride options including the famous Mont Ventoux - 64 km or Gorges de la Nesque & the lavender fields of Sault (89km/55mi). The first itinerary starts with a warm-up tour between the vineyards of Bedoin, followed by the challenging climb and descend of Mont Ventoux. An alternative itinerary will take you through the Nesque River Canyon (Gorges de la Nesque) to the lavender plateaus and the village of Sault. As a cherry on the cake you can climb the Ventoux and join Bedoin through Sault and the Nesque River Canyon: an unforgettable experience (89 km/55mi). Return to the same hotel. Dinner and breakfast included.

Mont Ventoux to Greoux Les Bains

This stage is long and hilly; and the landscape changes over the stage. You start cycling in the vineyards before reaching 'Gordes' one of the most beautiful villages of France by a magnificent road. Then cycle on small roads through the Luberon and cross small villages which were the inspiration behind all of Peter Mayles books on Provence. Relax under the shade of plane trees in the villages as you make your way across this quieter part of Provence. As you approach Greoux les bains, you will start to see the first peaks of the Alps in the distance. Greoux les bains is a small town where you can relax in the quiet. Breakfast included.

Greoux to St Tropez

Start with a road that runs along a dry canyon that is mostly rolling. Then, continue on past a pristine and inviting lake and continue riding through the pines as you start to descend to the sea. Just before arriving at St Tropez, you are on a beautiful Mediterranean road that looks like Corsica with sea and mountain views as well as wildlife. Upon arriving in St Tropez, reward yourself with a glass of champagne like the rich and famous who frequent this Riviera jewel. Dinner on your own tonight in St Tropez with our recommendations included. Breakfast included.
St Tropez to Nice

The ride profile is more or less flat but it does not matter, you cycle all day close to the most beautiful and prestigious oceanside of the French Riviera. You ride on very well known towns and places such as 'la Croisette' in Cannes or 'La Promenade des Anglais' in Nice! A great way to finish a long and spectacular ride! The contrast of red mountains and beaches of white sand; with the Alps in the background. Nice 4 star hotel near the beach, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Day 6 is departure day. You can take your time with breakfast and then transfer to the Nice rail station or airport. Additional nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

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Bikes available on this tour

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Provence Best Of

Best of Provence - a big title really considering all the great aspects to be found and experienced in this enchanting region of France! This tour is a combination of several of our tours with some longer riding in between in order to give a little bit of different places: Drome Provencale, Vaucluse, Luberon, Alpilles, Gard, and Rhone River areas. Discover some great wines, some amazing historical villages, pass through lavender fields, olive groves, and visit castles and art museums. Place of departure is Avignon from where you have a superb central location to visit all the historical sites of the old city of Avignon. Looping through the charming countryside you finish back in Avignon near the Palais des Papes. Your itineraries are studied with care and patience; they avoid the traffic and look up the highlights. We offer a standard and very deluxe version of hotels, both options are great!

Duration: week
Price: from 995 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Avignon

You can visit Avignon today and take in its many sites. Check in at your charming 4 star hotel in the center of Avignon, later you will have an orientation with an English speaking staff member who will bring bikes, do set up, and go over the route book. Dinner in Avignon on your own; we will provide some excellent recommendations.

Ride to St Paul 3 Chateaux

In the morning, ride through the vineyards of the renowned appellation 'Cotes du Rhone' de Chateauneuf-du-Pape, and then continue on to Serignan du Comtat, then Rochegude before reaching St Paul in the lavender country. Dinner on your own in town. Breakfast included.

Ride to Bedoin

Today the ride is somewhat long but over flat to rolling country and will bring you in the village of Visan, then to Vaison la Romaine, built in the Middle Ages and with original Roman ruins of an ancient Roman village. Then to Bedoin where you will stay at the foot of the imposing Mont Ventoux. If you have the legs and desire, you can climb Mont Ventoux from Bedoin - the classic climb! 21 km to the top and min 2 hours round trip for strong riders. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Gordes

Ride to Gordes (51 km) with an option to ride to Roussillon and back to Gordes (68km). This itinerary will bring you through the village of Fontaine de Vaucluse before climbing to Gordes, your final destination. If you choose to go to Roussillon, you can discover the famous ochre colored soil that is mined and used in pigment to color homes locally and far away. Dinner and Breakfast included.

Ride to St Remy de Provence

Today the itinerary takes you via Coustellet (Lavender museum) and then to melon-town Cavaillon. A short steep walk (or ride) will take you the top of the village of Eygalieres, a panoramic viewpoint
from where you see the Durance River valley, Alpilles mountain range and the rock of Les Baux de Provence. Then finish your ride in St Remy de Provence. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Avignon via Pont du Gard

Straight to Avignon is not so far, but to miss the fantastic site of the Pont du Gard would not be doing the Best Of! So, we take you on a route west of Avignon to see the Pont du Gard. Along the way you pass Graveson and Barbentane where you can visit the Abbey of Saint Michel de Frigolet from the 10th century. Arriving in the afternoon in Avignon center, you can visit Avignon after check in to your hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Depart after breakfast on your own time. TGV trains to Paris or Paris CDG airport depart all day long. Extra nights possible, please inquire. Breakfast included.

What's included

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- Chocolate tasting
- Wine tasting
- Treasure hunt
- Canoe
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- Comprehensive trip literature
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- Drinks
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Provence Hiking

This hiking tour combines the best of Provence from Les Baux de Provence to Gordes and includes history and plenty of culture. We combined history, antiquity, castles, crafts and traditions, gastronomy and natural sites. During 5 hiking days we discover Saint-Remy de Provence and the countryside around this lovely town, including the Sorgues Area, Vaucluse Hills and Luberon. If you lose your heart in one of these beautiful places, nothing stops you from extending your stay for one or more days. The routes are a combination of quiet country roads which allow you to appreciate the Provence villages as well as parts of GR-trails (Grande Randonnees/ Long Distance Paths). The daily distance varies between 15 and 20 kms (9 and 12 miles) and the hiking is moderate with some hilly terrain.

Duration: week
Price: from 1290 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Avignon and we transfer you to Baux de Provence

Arrival in Avignon and we transfer you to Baux de Provence by taxi to a deluxe 5 star hotel and with a Michelin star restaurant. Les Baux is just above St Remy de Provence where you go next. The castle, towering over the village is one of the most visited places of interest in France. Castle and village offer fabulous panoramas, village monuments, museums, art galleries and workshops. Orientation by phone in the evening. Night and 1 star Michelin dinner included.

Les Baux to St Remy

A small route that is part of the GR 6 will take you along from the Citadel of Les Baux de Provence. We propose you to walk to the Val d'Enfer and its rock formations. You can enjoy a «son et lumiere» (sound and light) show in the old stone quarries of the Cathedral of Images. On your way back to Saint-Remy, there is a viewpoint indicator where you can overlook the area. A scenic downhill and the old Chemin d'Arles will guide you back to your hotel. originally a Greco-Roman town is now about 10000 population but a very famous place. 16th and 17th century architecture, museums, and great cuisine mark it as a must see. The monastery of St Paul de Mausole (Van Gogh was held here) and the cathedral deserve a visit. Wednesday morning is a market day, one of the biggest in Provence, so plan accordingly if you want to see it. Dinner and breakfast included.

St Remy to Eygalieres

The countryside east of Saint-Remy is dominated by the Alpilles (small Alps), a scenic small mountain range with a maximum altitude of 350m (1100 feet). At the monastery of Saint-Paul de Mausole you hit the trail that will lead you to the crest of the Alpilles at Eygalieres where you will stay the night. You follow the GR6 on a narrow path which is impressive and can be challenging. For some short sections you should use hands to climb over boulders but it?s not too complicated. Your efforts will be rewarded with a wonderful 360° view! Then you will join Eygalieres, a pretty village between the mountain and the plain. It?s a quaint town with some cozy outdoor cafes, typical Provenal shops and high quality restaurants. A short walk uphill will bring you to a chapel ruins with a bell tower where you have a great panorama viewpoint. If time, visit the remarkable Chapel of Sainte Sixte and its cypress trees. You will stay in a charming 3 star hotel with an optional up-grade, dinner is on your own. Breakfast included.

Isle sur la Sorgue to Fontaine de Vaucluse
Transfer by taxi to Isle Sur La Sorgue, this old fishing town located at the parting of the Sorgue river. Antique lovers come to this town, especially for the Sunday market. See also the 12th century church and then hike on to Fontaine de Vaucluse also famous for a romanesque church and of course its «fontaine» or spring. Charming 3 star hotel, and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Fontaine de Vaucluse to Gordes**

About 1km south of the village you pick up the trail that will take you to Gordes, awarded the Most Beautiful Villages of France. The homes, built of drystone architecture, are built on the rocky outcrop which overlooks the valley of the Coulon River and the Luberon Parc. On your itinerary you will have the possibility to visit the superb 12th century Romanesque Senanque Abbey still lived in by monks and open to the public but closed on Sunday mornings; surrounded by lavender fields. Charming 3 star hotel at the edge of the village, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Hiking around Gordes**

A walk along quiet roads and dirt path of the GR6 GR 97 will lead you to Roussillon, also ranked among 'The Most Beautiful Villages of France' and famous for its red and gold ochre cliffs. On the way back you walk close to typical 'mas' (old farmhouse) of the Luberon valley. Same hotel in Gordes. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

Transfer back to Avignon rail station. Additional nights can be arranged in Gordes. Breakfast included.

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Provence Classic 7 Nights

This Provence bike tour starts in Villeneuve-les-Avignon and visits the culturally rich countryside as far as the Mediterranean and back to Avignon - "Cite des Papes" ("City of the Popes"). This tour will find you traveling on small roads away from traffic. In Avignon and Arles you will find small streets and a maze of shops in the old town. This is also where many summer festivals take place. The tour has a number of wonderful attractions rooted in the region's Roman origins and Provencal culture, up through the Papal dominance in the Middle Ages. It is easily accessible by train from throughout France, and as well by air. This is one of our most successful tours as it combines the best of all that Provence has to offer and the riding is moderate and available to most riders.

Duration: week
Price: from 960 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: roadbiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Avignon

Today is arrival day and meeting day, which also gives the opportunity to explore the many sites of Avignon. An English speaking team member will welcome you at the hotel for orientation and bike delivery in the evening. Dinner out on your own in a suggested local restaurant tonight.

Ride to Uzes

The route will move out of Avignon through the Gard forests and vineyards and to visit the famous roman aqueduct Pont du Gard which dominates the river at over 165 feet high. Swimming is possible in the river, as well as at the hotel that night. You will cycle on to Uzes, a beautiful Provencal village with plane tree lined streets. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Uzes Loop

A loop tour from Uzes and back to your same hotel. You leave in the direction of the north of Uzes into a green area of scenic roads and light traffic. You will ride through small charming villages such as Vallabrix, Saint Quentin la Poterie. This is like 'potters tour' with the chance to visit ceramic shops and a museum. Return to your hotel for swim in the pool. Note, if you are flexible, making this day a Saturday will let you experience the Uzes market day and let you see a fantastic Provencal market. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Arles

Travel to the town of Arles, passing through mostly flat countryside except in the gorges around the Gardon River. You first ride to Collias at the confluence of the Gardon and Alson rivers. From there to Lenedon, famous for wine production, and then Meynes and its old fortified village. At Tarascon you can visit the Chateau and Souleiado Museum before going on to Arles. In Arles there is the extraordinarily well-preserved Roman arena, antique theater, and many museums, among which is one devoted to Vincent van Gogh. Night in Arles. The ride is mostly flat but starts out rolling. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to St Remy

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You may want to spend some time in the morning visiting Arles before moving on to St Remy. The ride is not too long today, so in function of weather you can leave at your desire. You will pass the Abbey of Montmajour and up to Baux de Provence. Take some time to visit this site. After you will descend to St Remy where you can visit the town and see where Van Gogh made over 150 paintings. Ride with hills at Les Baux. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Loop Ride**

Today, is a loop tour day which gives you a chance to take a day off if you desire. The ride starts out flat and goes to the north before turning to Eygalières and the Alpilles where it becomes hilly. You will pass through vineyards and olive groves with the chance to visit and taste. Overall this is a hilly ride but can be modified to be shorter cutting out hills. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Ride to Avignon**

On to Avignon via Graveson and Barbentane where you can have lunch and visit the Abbey of Saint Michel de Frigolet from the 10th century. Arriving in the afternoon, you can visit Avignon. Dinner on your own, stay in a deluxe 4 star hotel in the center of Old Avignon. In Avignon old city tonight you are walking distance to the Palais des Papes, Place Horloge and Pont d'Avignon. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Mont Ventoux to Luberon 7 Nights

This tour explores the natural beauty of Vaucluse, Luberon and Alpilles with lots of opportunities to soak in the aroma and culture distinctive of the region of Provence. The tour departs from the charming village of Bedoin at the foot of the Mont Ventoux, the famous Giant of Provence. You will discover the vineyards of the Ventoux wine region, the lavender fields of Sault, the smooth hilly landscapes of Luberon & Vaucluse and the wine-and olive-yards of les Alpilles. The terrain around Gordes, Luberon and Saint-Rémy-de-Provence is rolling and sometimes hilly. During this trip, conquering the superimposing Mont Ventoux is an option and a great challenge. During this tour you will stay in beautiful unique hotels and enjoy the famous cuisine Provençal.

Duration: week
Price: from 1160 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: roadbiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon and we transfer you to Bedoin

Arrival at Avignon train station and we will transfer you to Bedoin, at the foot of Mont Ventoux. Orientation and bicycle set up upon arrival in your cozy 3 star hotel in Bedoin. Dinner included.

Loop around Bédoin

A beautiful tour warm-up ride through the vineyards of Ventoux and Rhône valley. You will pass through the wine villages of Beaumes-de-Venise, Vacqueyras, Gigondas and the more famous Rhône wine villages in Upper-Vaucluse before returning to Bedoin. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Bédoin

There are a few different ride options: tour of Mont Ventoux (73 km) or Gorges de la Nesque & the lavender fields of Sault (89km). The first itinerary starts with a warm-up tour between the vineyards of Bedoin, followed by the challenging climb and descend of Mont Ventoux. The second itinerary goes up to Mount Ventoux and joins Bedoin through Sault and the Gorges de la Nesque, a challenging but unforgettable experience. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Bédoin to Gordes

A ride from Bedoin to Gordes that will bring you through the village of Venasque, classified as one of the most beautiful villages of France. After a last climb you will reach the spectacular perched village of Gordes. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop around Gordes

A loop tour of Luberon natural park the surrounding area. A varied itinerary through vast forests with amazing viewpoints that will take you to a number of superb perched villages such as : Bonnieux, Lacoste and Ménerbes among others. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Loop around Gordes

Today, you have the choice between 2 itineraries: Ochre hills or Fontaine de Vaucluse. The Ochre Hills in Roussillon and the town of Apt (62km / 39mi): A moderate ride through the Land of Ochre, a color present everywhere in the landscape: ochre-wash stone houses, in the steep cliffs of the scenic village of Roussillon and in the cliffs and canyons of the Provençal Colorado in Rustrel. Then, go to Apt and Roussillon, the center of Ochre. Isle sur la Sorgue (40km / 25mi): Charming town located on the river Sorgue. Includes visit of Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, village with a refreshing temperature due to the spring where the river Sorgue begins. This ride is best when done on a Sunday, because of the outside market and antique fair in Isle-sur-la-Sorgue. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Gordes to Saint Rémy de Provence

A ride from Gordes to Saint-Remy-de-Provence. You leave Vaucluse to join the Bouches-du-Rhone department with an itinerary that will take you via Coustellet with its lavender museum to melon-town Cavaillon where you can enjoy the fruits in season before crossing the Durance river. A gentle climb up the Alpilles hills will take you to Saint-Remy-de-Provence, the epicenter of Provencal culture, native town of Nostradamus and residence of Vincent Van Gogh. Dinner and Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Transfer to Avignon rail station included at 9:30am. Breakfast included.

What's included

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- Bikes available for rental
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What's not included

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- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Provence Multisport

This Provence multi sport tour is a great way to discover Provence - and NOT like any other tour! This itinerary starts in Avignon and visits the culturally rich countryside from Avignon, to the Alpilles and into the Luberon. An "off the beaten path" active trip, you will cycle through the vineyards and forests of the region, hop on a canoe and paddle down the Gardon river, hike through the Provençal mountains, lavender fields and olive-yards, ride a high quality mountain bike on the trails of the Luberon and you have the option to do a cooking class too !This tour combines several activities to provide you with a unique way to discover this beautiful part of France! Enjoy!

Duration: week
Price: from 1350 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: multisport
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Avignon

Today is arrival day and meeting day, which also gives the opportunity to explore the Center of Avignon. An English speaking team-member will welcome you at the hotel in the early evening for orientation and bike delivery. After, you can go to visit Avignon in a unique way with our cultural treasure hunt in the historical center! Avignon is a culturally and historically rich city with much to see and much to learn. Our Treasure Hunt will introduce you to the most important sites and give you a fun way to pass a couple hours after arrival. We strongly encourage a little time in Avignon, and history buffs could arrive a day early and pass an extra night exploring Avignon! Dinner on your own in a local restaurant tonight; we provide suggestions.

Ride to Uzes

First active day is by bike, a route that moves out of Villeneuve-les-Avignon through the Gard forests and vineyards and to visit the famous roman aqueduct Pont du Gard which dominates the river at over 165 feet high. Swimming is possible in the river. You will cycle on to Uzes, a beautiful Provencal village with plane tree lined streets. Night in Uzes in a very charming 3 star hotel, Les Entraigues, with swimming pool. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included. Adventurers: an option to do Via Ferrata is possible today! Via Ferrata is like rock climbing with the help of steps and security line on fixed cables. To add this option, you must book at least 1 month in advance, the supplement is 115 euros/person - guided activity with local professional.

Cycle & Canoe to St Remy de Provence

38km (24mi) cycling, 8km (5mi) paddling - An exciting combination of cycling and paddling today. You will hop on a canoe and paddle down the Gardon River through the famous Gorges du Gardon. You will start the day with a short and flat warm-up bike ride from your hotel to the village of Collias to start your canoe trip through a calm stretch of the Gardon River. Your bikes are transferred to meet you at the pull out spot at the Pont du Gard. You then cycle from there to the beautiful village of Saint-Remy-de-Provence where you will spend the night. Dinner and breakfast included.

Hiking

Put your hiking shoes on and get on the GR 6 trail that will lead you to the nearby hills above St
Remy known as the Alpilles. This hike will take you along to the Citadel of Les Baux de Provence. After your visit of the village we suggest you walk to the Val d'Enfer and its rock formations, then make your way back to Saint Remy. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included. Hiking with hills at Les Baux. This hike isn't available in July due to fire risks and will be replaced by a biking loop around St Rémy (42km). Outside this period, the forestry service still has the right to close the trails as needed due to the reason above.

**Ride to Fontaine de Vaucluse**

After breakfast, you cycle on to Fontaine de Vaucluse where you spend the night. On the way to Fontaine de Vaucluse, you have the possibility to cycle on to Isle sur la Sorgue, which is a short 10km trip from Fontaine. Isle sur la Sorgue is a charming town located on the river Sorgue, that is very worth visiting! Night in a charming hotel with dinner out on your own. Breakfast included. **OPTION:** Cooking Class. If you book the cooking class for today, it starts at 9:30 am. The class starts with a garden visit and then cooking all morning which finishes at lunch to enjoy your work. After the class we transfer you to Fontaine de Vaucluse. The supplement is 150 Euros per person (for 2-3 people), 135 euros per person (for 4-5 people).

**Mountain Bike Loop**

For your day, we have planned for you to do a nice 'balade' on mountain bikes. You will ride a short distance on paved roads to meet the trail and after you will have a nice quiet trail to follow that makes a loop and brings you back to the road. The trail is a mix of wide trail and sand/gravel to sections of single track. None of it is technical or requires advance mountain bike skill. Approximately 30 km cycling and 3 hours. Return to the same hotel in Fontaine de Vaucluse, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Fontaine de Vaucluse to Bedoin**

Today, ride to Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux. You will ride on typical narrow little country side road from Provence and Luberon. Enjoy nice panoramic views and roads in the middle of limestone cliffs. Approaching the Mont Ventoux, you will ride in the vineyards of Provence wine. Very charming 3 star hotel with swimming pool. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

Departure Day, we will transfer you back to Avignon rail station at 10:00 am where you can get a train to Paris or other destination. Breakfast included.
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Provence Vineyards & Lavender

A biking tour full of taste and flavors! Discover the wines of Provence, from the Rhone Valley to the Haut-Vaucluse area to the Drome and back to Ventoux area. Taste the grand wine of Chateauneuf du Pape, Gigondas, chocolates, and lavender flavored honey. Gourmet stages combine with astonishing visits along the Castle and Abbey route like Rochegude and Grignan; Roman art in Vaison la Romaine; the Dentelles de Montmirail, the fields of lavender at the foot of the Mont Ventoux, and more. Place of departure is Avignon from where you have a superb location to visit the sites of the historical center of Avignon. The tour loops out from there into the charming countryside with a finish in the Provençal village of Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux. Your itineraries are studied with care and patience; they avoid the traffic and look up the highlights. Last but not least, enjoy the select hotels and restaurants where you'll be accommodated in charming lodging - we give you a choice of comfort, and typical country charm such as the unique manor house in Grignan, a 16th century mansion in Vaison la Romaine and a typical Provençal hotel in Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux.

Duration: week
Price: from 1450 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon

Arrival in Avignon. You can visit Avignon today and take in its many sites. Your excellent 4 star hotel is located in the center of Avignon, within a short walk of all the sites in Avignon. We will provide and orientation with bike delivery and set up in the early evening to get you all ready to ride out the next day. Dinner on your own in Avignon, we will include some excellent suggestions.

Ride to Chateauneuf du Pape

Today, you ride through the vineyards of the renowned appellation Cotes du Rhone de Chateauneuf-du-Pape and if you like, stop to visit and taste in one of the cellars of the village. On your way, you can stop at the village Roquemaure, where you can see the remains of the 12th century medieval castle, where Pop Clement V died in 1314. Night and dinner at a charming, deluxe chateau hotel in Chateauneuf du Pape. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Rochegude & St Paul les 3 Chateaux

On this itinerary you will pass Serignan du Comtat, an important medieval village (origins go back to 6C BC) in the history of the Counts of Toulouse and the domain of Diane de Poitiers. Continue on to Rochegude in the Drome department and lavender country and then on into the town of St Paul les 3 Chateaux where you can walk through its old cobbled streets and visit the historical church. Deluxe 4 star hotel at the walls of the old center. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Grignan

Today’s ride will bring you to the village of Clansayes before Grignan. In Clansayes, you will find the Templar knights tower, which offers a beautiful panoramic view of the area. Also on your itinerary are the villages of Colonzelle and La Baume de Transit, with remains from a medieval castle. In Grignan, you stay below its famous chateaux in a very comfortable 3 star chateau/manor house. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Grignan loop tour or day off

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If you choose to ride, you will travel to the lavender areas around Grignan to La Garde d’Adhemar. This village is a classical provencal village with exceptional beauty. La Garde d’Adhemar has preserved its medieval structure and ramparts and was originally colonized during the Roman era by veterans of the Roman legions in the 1st century. Return to Grignan. If you stay in Grignan, you can explore this beautiful 16-17C chateau and learn the story of Madame de Sevigne. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Vaison la Romaine

Vaison, a town of art, has a rich cultural heritage. It was built up in the middle ages and modern times but the town owes its fame to the ancient Roman foundations and its ruins. La Romaine was added in 1924! Stay in an historic 15th century mansion in the center of town. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Bedoin

2 options:
Option 1: the easier ride, it passes through the wine villages of Gigondas, Vacqueyras, and Beaumes de Venise to finish in Bedoin (38km). Option 2 crosses the Dentelles de Montmirail involving some climbs (40km). A variant of option 2 is to ride Mont Ventoux, famous Tour de France climb fondly known as the Giant of Provence! This will add 25 km and at least 1-2 hours of climbing up to 1909 meters (approx. 6000 ft). Tonight you stay at the edge of the village of Bedoin in a very charming inn. The scent of lavender is in the air during June and July in this countryside! Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure day

Breakfast is included and possibly some time to visit Bedoin before leaving back to Avignon. We will transfer you back to Avignon TGV station at 9:30am; allow 1 hour travel time before a train departure.

What’s included

- 7 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
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- 3 dinner included
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- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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French Pyrenees

The yellow jersey of the Tour de France has often been decided during the climbs of the Pyrenees mountain passes. This mountain chain, a natural border between France and Spain, is a beautiful scenic area with a variety of harsh contrast landscapes. It is a fantastic ski destination in winter and spa/resort destination at all seasons. The mountains are much lower than the Alpes, but just as steep if not steeper at times! You travel from Argelès Gazost at the foot of Col d'Aubisque, Hautacam and Toumalet to Foix via Saint Girons and Luchon.

Duration: week
Price: from 1230 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Argelès Gazost**

You will have an orientation meeting with your hotel host and phone review with our office. We will cover the cycling and route book materials, and help you get started right. Free time is yours to visit this charming spa & resort town. Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Argelès Gazost. Dinner included.

**L'Aubisque & Hautacam**

L'Aubisque & Hautacam, from the hotel you don't have far to go before you start up these two famous routes of the Tour. The Aubisque and Soulor average over 7% with a good part over 8%. Returning back you have the option to go on to ride Hautacam. A 13km climb of about 8% brings you up to 1520m (4560 feet), a popular ski resort. Stay in the same hotel in Argelès Gazost. Breakfast, gastronomic dinner and breakfast included.

**Col du Tourmalet**

The Col du Tourmalet via Bagneres de Bigorre and up past St Marie de Campan and La Mongie. With a long descent arrive at Luz St Sauveur and return to the hotel in Argeles for a very long day of cycling. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Tourmalet, Aspin & Peyresourdre**

Tourmalet, Aspin, Peyresourdre at about 110km and 3300 meters elevation gain, this is a hard day over some classic climbs of the Tour de France. Finish in the charming town of Bagneres de Luchon. The long ascent of the Tourmalet is 18km at 8%! Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Bagnères de Luchon. Breakfast and dinner included.

**Cols Mente & Portet d’Aspet**

2 ride options today - longer or shorter. Both options include the Cols Mente and Portet d'Aspet. The hardest points on the climbs go over 12%. Finish in St Girons. Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Saint Girons. Breakfast and dinner included.
Col de Port & Col des Caougnous

A long and challenging day over some big climbs! Again over 3300 meters in climbing including the Col de Port and Col des Caougnous. A long and short ride option exist again to reach Foix. Once in Foix, you are back to a larger town with more sites and services. Stay in a 3 star hotel in Foix. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast ? on your own; taxi to the Foix train station for connections in Toulouse. Additional days are possible and additional ride days can be arranged. Breakfast included.

What's included

6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom  Daily breakfast at each hotel, 5 dinners included  Orientation in person with our local guide  Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT  Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets  1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people  Chocolate tasting  Wine tasting  Treasure hunt  Canoe  All luggage transfers  Comprehensive trip literature  Technical and emergency support available at all times

What's not included

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Bikes available on this tour

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Sardinia Island

Sardinia has always been a popular escape spot - not only for its beautiful beaches, but also due to its remote nature and land: the waters rival the Caribbean! This is an island for adventurers and the varied landscape is ripe for exploration. From the beaches to the mountains through forests and hilltop villages...Sardinia is not just a beach paradise, but a cyclist's dream as well. You will spend a week biking all around rugged landscape of the island: from the west coast, Alghero and Bosa, to medieval villages and roman towns, such as SantuLussurgiu, then down to Oristano, rich in history, you can visit Tharros, a Punic-Roman ruins complex, and admire the famous beach IS ARUTAS, made by pure white little pebbles.

Duration: week
Price: from 1440 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Welcome to Alghero

Arrival in Alghero Airport and transfer to Hotel Villa Mosca on your own. Bike fitting to follow. The Sardinian town of Alghero is a lively and pretty city. It is famous because it has been dominated by Catalans and just here, some people even speak the Catalan language. The Mura Catalane (Catalan walls) still surround the old town center on the seaward side. The walls have towers and it is pleasant to walk along and have a drink at sunset before a fresh seafood dinner! Dinner on your own.

Cycle to Bosa

Bike ride from Alghero to Bosa skirting the coast. Leaving Alghero and pedaling on secondary roads you can admire the uneven north-west coast, shaped by Mistral wind, but no need to worry: the wind will be a tale wind. In Bosa you can admire the massive complex of the Castello dei Malaspina. Nature has done spectacular work along the coast of Bosa. The bastions overlooking the sea, the little, stony creeks and the wild scenery are all exclusive elements of this surprising landscape. Due to a series of quite unique events, Bosa has managed to keep its territory unchanged. They also produce a fine wine, Malvasia di Bosa, be sure to taste it! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Bosa loop in Planargia

Option A: 57 km easy. Starting from Bosa you'll climb to the beautiful plateau of Planargia, the homeland of Malvasia wine and where you can admire the particular white wine grapes that struggle to survive against the mistral wind. Continue cycling and you will arrive in Sindia and ride along the edge of Monti Ferru. Return to Bosa by crossing the terrific landscape of Porto Alabe.

Option B: 66km challenging - Round trip bike ride to Montresta, Padria, Suni, with an optional extension to Villanova Roccadoria. You leave Bosa biking upon beautiful highlands, viewing unforgettable landscapes. You will pass through Montresta la Greca, inhabited by descendants from Greece and admire from below the fascinating Monteleone Rocca Doria. There is the possibility, for those who want to ride more to visit Villanova Roccadoria, a wonderful town, perched in the top of the hill. This town was founded in the period of the Genoese domination (Doria was an important family from Genova), who ruled over part of the island during the low Medieval Ages.
Santu Lussurgiu, medieval town on a hill

Option A: 44 km easiest. 
with this ride you'll bike along country roads passing through small villages and you'll see the famous Siete Fuentes water sources in San Leonardo, where you can relax in the woods. Soon you will arrive in Santu Lussurgiu, admiring, while descending, the great plateau of Ghilarza and much of the south of Sardinia.

Option B: 38 km shorter BUT challenging.
Leaving from Bosa, you can bike along the sea, to go then up to the inland and pass through characteristic little villages such as Magomadas and Cuglieri. You'll come across lots of Nuraghe and suggestive lands, such as the plateau right before arriving in Santu Lussurgiu, which has been built at the edge of the massive inactive volcanic mountain called Montiferru (iron mountain). Here you will find the Montiferru castle. The village in which you will stay developed around the small rustic church of Holy Cross (built in 1185 A.D.) and has the characteristic structure of an amphitheater, with ancient stone houses built in concentric configuration along winding and steep narrow cobbled lanes you will love to explore! Breakfast & gourmet dinner included.

Oristano and Fordongianus Spas

Option A: 59 km easy - Today is a pleasant ride through historical sites and wonderful landscapes. Leave Santu Lussurgiu and descend from the Monti Ferru volcanic area, you'll enter Paulilatino a little town where the old traditions of Sardinia are maintained by its residents. A few miles later, cycle on a gentle descent, you'll arrive in Fordongianus that rises on the banks of Tirso River. This village is important for the mineral water, baths and because it was an outpost of the Roman legions who fought against the barbarians of Sardinia. It is possible to admire the old roman ruins. Leaving the village, you follow the flow of the Tirso River to arrive in Oristano.

Option B: 67km challenging.
Cycle towards the seaside and cross small villages influenced by Sardinian-Spanish styles. You will see Domus de Janas, dolmens and menhirs. You will pass through Punic and Roman ruins and you will be amazed by the crystalline waters and sandy beaches in the area! There's also a particular rock formation that wind carved through the age, l?Arco di S?Archittu. Ride though the Sinis Peninsula and you'll arrive to the City of Oristano. The town of Oristano is remarkable for its history who was founded with the foundations of another city, Tharros, in the 11th century. Enjoy the historical center of Oristano that is notable for its culinary arts. We can recommend restaurants which offer local specialties, like Bottarga or Sebadas.

Loop of Tharros and the Sinis Peninsula

Today leave for the peninsula of Sinis, where there are plenty of ponds and lagoons and where, depending on the season, you will be able to see beautiful pink flamingos. You will pass through a lot of Punic and Roman ruins and you will be amazed by the crystalline water and sandy
beaches of the area. You’ll pass through Riola Sardo and then ride over the Cabras lagoon, visit the ruins of the Punic-Roman port city of ?Tharros? with a breathtaking view. The tour will continue in Marina di Torre Grande where you can stop for lunch at the restaurant ?Da Giovanni? and taste his unforgettable peppered mussels. Return to the hotel by the bicycle path.

Departure after your breakfast

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Geneva and Lakes Region

This itinerary is the ideal route for families with children: safe routes away from traffic and gentle topography (no steep ascents). Lakes, rivers, wide open plains, tranquil valleys, cities and villages, you will discover the best landscapes of Switzerland. German and French: these are some of the contrasting dabs of color on the palette the picture of a typical trip through Switzerland. The scenery is certainly varied; the elevation on this route is relatively level and the sections in the "relaxed" version are barely ever longer than 50km.

Duration: week
Price: from 1320 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: hybrid bike
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Geneva

Welcome to Switzerland! We will meet you at the airport in Geneva to pick you up and take you to your hotel in the heart of the city. We have busy day planned for you, so we ask that you arrive before 2PM. Dinner on your own.

Ride from Geneva to Morges

Today you are on the road! You follow small country roads and vineyard paths to the Canton of Vaud with Lake Geneva always at your side. You've chosen our "lite" itinerary, and so fewer kilometers means less pedaling and more time to enjoy and explore the unique towns that line our path each day. You pass through the towns of Celigny, Coppet, Nyon, Rolle and St. Prex. They all deserve to be discovered, so stop and take pictures. Otherwise consider arriving in Morges early and tour the Swiss military museum housed in a 13th century castle on the lake, or begin your souvenir shopping early at the small boutiques lining Morges' traffic-free streets. Your hotel is in the historic center, so everything is within a 5-minute walk?including the lake. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Morges to Estavayer

This morning you start north, away from the Lake Geneva. Unless you choose to do extra miles, today will be your longest day of riding. You follow the Venoge River through dark forests before reaching the open fields and yet wider plains. You may go off the path a few kilometers and allow yourself to be mesmerized and cooled down at the gorges of Tine de Conflens, where waterfalls and whirlpools spit beads of water at our wheels. Lunch is on the grounds of the majestic Castle of Sarraz. Bikers can take the castle tour and learn about medieval life, or immerse yourself in equestrian history and its world renowned Horse Museum which adjoins the castle. After lunch you move into the flat and wide open plains of Orbe with the Jura mountains on your left and the Alps far in the distance on our right. Lake Neuchatel lay ahead and you will follow its banks to your final destination: Estavayer-le-Lac in the Canton of Fribourg. Once settled in, take time to stroll the narrow streets of this medieval village, have a dip in the waters of the clear blue lake or visit Switzerland's only stuffed frog museum! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Estavayer to Murten

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You will have an easier day today, so take time to enjoy the breakfast of fresh croissants and regional hard cheeses. Today’s itinerary can be adapted according to your interests. Touring southeast away from the lake, you will travel through the flowered lowlands to the regional hub of Payerne and its arcaded pedestrian streets. You’ll notice the very rich farmland of the Broye valley and although quite flat, the Jura’s silhouette is constantly casting shadows over the countryside. This itinerary brings us to the town of Avenches. Once known as Aventicum, it was the most important Roman settlement in all of Switzerland. Its amphitheater is still used for the Opera and Rock festivals held each summer. Or you can continue following the lake and its marshland to the wine routes of the Vully region. Here you will bike through the vines and stop as often as you like to sample the numerous varieties of grapes that go into these excellent wines that seldom leave the region, let alone the country. Your final destination is the town of Munchenwiler and its castle. Relax next to the pond on the chateau grounds, or coast a few kilometers downhill to Lake Murten and the medieval village of Morat. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Murten to Solothurn

After a breakfast fit for kings, you leave your castle and head north towards Lake Bienne in the Canton of Berne. You haven’t seen the last of the castles; however, the medieval villages of Landeron and Erlach are on your route this morning. You are now in the center of the ?3-lakes region?, the site of the 2002 Swiss Expo. The expo organizers, working to develop ecological tourism, invested in new bicycle paths, bridges and the rest areas that you’ll encounter on today’s ride. You may wonder out loud why there aren’t more bikers in this cycling paradise. It will be up to you to spread the word once back home! Once at the lake, you’ll see picturesque vineyard villages huddled and clinging to the high banks. You will follow the shoreline to the city of Bienne and from there you’ll continue east along the Nidau-Buren canal until you meet the Aare river. You’ll never be far from the water on this ride! When you reach Solothurn you’ll be able to continue contemplating the Aare from your hotel window which will directly overlook the river. But not for long, Solothurn is a baroque city and its period architecture is unrivaled in Switzerland. Time for a stroll. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. A train ticket is included for your return to Geneva (or anywhere else in Switzerland). Breakfast included. Option: An extra night in Solothurn is available with hike of the popular circuit trails at Weissenstein for a 3 hours hike. For this day, you will start by taking a short train ride to Burgdorf where a historic chairlift will carry you to the top of Weissenstein. This is "Solothurn's mountain" (1400m) and you’ll enjoy the panoramic views of the Swiss Plateau and the Alps with a drink at the spa hotel at the top.

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Tuscany Classic

This self-guided tour covers a small but stunning part of Tuscany! Discover the beauty of Montepulciano, Pienza, Montalcino and its famous Brunello wine, and Siena, as well as many little medieval villages on your ride every day. This is a relaxed tour with 2-night stays in 3 different towns, so you are not always packing. If you wish to take a day off from riding you can sightsee, have a wine tasting, and walk along beautiful paths. Food and wine are highlights of this trip! You will have the opportunity to taste the local homemade pasta pici, the local cheese pecorino, as well as typical appetizers bruschetta and crostini, while sipping great wine!

Duration: week
Price: from 1410 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival in Pienza. Benvenuti in Toscana!

Arrival at Chiusi Chianciano train station in the morning/ early afternoon and transfer on your own to the first hotel il chiostro in Pienza, your home for the next two nights. The 'perfect town' almost entirely built between 1459 and 1462, Pienza is a remarkable example of Renaissance-era town planning. If you have even the least appreciation for beautiful architecture, it is a treat to stroll about its cobblestone streets. Gift hunters will also be enthralled, and Pienza is a veritable gastronomic paradise. Meet and Greet, we'll fit your bikes and introduce you to each day ride. If you arrive early enough, the first loop is to San Quirico to test the bicycle and the equipment! Stop in the village at Horti e leonini Garden, the top attraction of town.

Loop tour to Medieval City Center, Vino Nobile di Montepulciano

Loop ride to Montepulciano and Monticchiello. Start your day with a pleasant downhill, You'll follow a route that winds through a scenic landscape checkered with vineyards, cypresses, and medieval villages. This is where 'the English Patient' was filmed. Among the sites you'll ride through there are the hilltop villages of Castelmuzio and Petroio. Today's ride will take you to Montepulciano, which is famous for the production of Vino Nobile di Montepulciano. After a stroll about the medieval streets of this village, you can stop to visit one of the typical wine cellars in town, the oldest one which is situated under the Ricci Palace. Back to Pienza through Monticchiello another hilltop village! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Montalcino and Brunello wine

Bike ride to Montalcino. Today's ride will take you to Bagno Vignoni, a thermal spa town that dates back to Roman times right before reaching the beautiful Castiglione d'Orcia, with the imposing Rocca A tentennano. Enjoy a long downhill to the monastery of Sant Antimo, your next stop: if you have luck, you will hear the monks chanting. On your way to the Etruscan village and wine town of Montalcino, where you will stay for next three days, you'll pedal through magnificent vineyards. It is a fortified town which was used as a shelter by Siena nobles during the 16th Century, but today it is even more famous thanks to the production of one of Italy's premier fine red wines, Brunello di Montalcino. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop Castles and Wineries
Today you'll take a beautiful ride to Maremma side of Montalcino; on your way you can stop at a tiny village called Sant'Angelo and then enjoy the downhill to Poggio alle Mura where you can visit Castello Banfi, the medieval castle towering above mountainous forests, lush and rolling vineyards. The origin of the fortress can be traced to the ancient Etruscans, but its deepest historical niche was carved during the Middle Ages. Known in ancient times as Poggio alle Mura, the castle is the crown jewel of a 7,100-acre viti-vinicultural estate that now boasts a fascinating glass and wine museum, an enoteca wine bar and a taverna. Back to Montalcino through vast vineyards, you may decide to drop into some of the area's excellent boutique brunello wineries.

**Siena & Monte Oliveto Abbey**

Your detailed directions will take you through the famous postcard-perfect scenery of Tuscany, Italy's most photographed region-for good reasons. Following a picturesque crest road, you'll ride by Monte Oliveto Maggiore Abbey, a Benedictine monastery built in the 13th century and famous for its frescoed cloister and stunning setting. Afterwards, you'll travel through the otherworldly area called Le Crete, Tuscany's answer to the Badlands. Here the verdant hills give way to little domes of clay and Tuscany reveals another face of its identity, an unusual, almost lunar landscape of chalk cliffs and gullies soaked in a primeval atmosphere. Then its onwards to Siena. Often described as Italy's best preserved medieval city, Siena rivaled Florence for dominance in Tuscany during the 1300s. In this gorgeous medieval art city, you'll have time to take a leisurely stroll in the afternoon and to visit Piazza del Campo, Torre del Mangia and the famous Duomo. Twice a year, on July 2 and August 16, Piazza del Campo hosts the incredible and wild 'Palio' horse races, billed as the world's 'most dangerous horse race'.

**Loop in Chianti hills**

Loop Ride from Siena to Gaiole and Radda in Chianti. Along the way you can visit Castelnuovo Berardenga, a medieval town that marks the gateway to Chianti country. Not far away is Castello di Brolio, a castle that you can visit. There's also the chance to shop at a first-class ceramics workshop just before Radda in Chianti. Back to Siena via chiantigiana road. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

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Tuscany Wine and Heritage

Whether crowned by timeless villages, covered by vineyards and olive groves or strewn with wildflowers, the hills of Tuscany have one thing in common: they're perfect for exploring on two wheels. Pedal to lofty hill towns, spin through broad valleys and follow sinuous country roads past cypress-lined lanes and quiet woodland.

Duration: week
Price: from 1420 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Siena. Benvenuti in Toscana! (Welcome to Tuscany)

Arrival at the hotel in Siena on your own. Siena is a medieval city with beautifully preserved Gothic architecture. The entire city of Siena was built around the Piazza del Campo. Here you will have time to shop while exploring the many hidden medieval walkways. Meet and Greet, we will fit your bikes and introduce you to each day's ride.

Loop Ride to Montagnola Senese

On this day, the ride explores Montagnola Senese, passing through several charming, little medieval villages and 'borgo' boroughs: Sovicille, Ancaiano, Simignano, Pieve Scola. You will riding along the Via Francigena, and ancient road and pilgrim route running all the way from France to Rome. Here, you will notice the subsoil, mainly made of limestone and full of marble, including the famous yellow marble used for the Duomo of Florence. After making the loop back to Siena, you'll enjoy the night at your hotel in Siena.

Ride from Siena to Castellina in Chianti, following the ?chiantigiana? road

On today's route you can stop at Castelnuovo Berardenga, a medieval town which marks the gateway to Chianti country. From here you will ride inside the vineyard of famous Chianti classico wine passing through many little hamlets. Not-to-be-missed is Castello di Brolio, a castle and winery. There is also the chance to shop at a first-class ceramics workshop just before Radda in Chianti. Arrive in Radda in time for a light lunch and enjoy the last 10 km of gentle rolling hills to get to Castellina. Dinner and breakfast included.

Circular bike ride to Florentine Chianti

Today you will bike along quiet roads to the three villages that formed the Chianti Alliance centuries ago. Visit Tuscany's forgotten abbeys and hamlets, then enjoy a winery tour and taste their supple reds, fresh honey and rich olive oil. Have a stop at Greve's main piazza, characterized by an original formation of an irregular triangular shape, defined by beautiful long porticos. Back via Panzano with preserved old walls, gates and the keep of the medieval castle. Relax by the infinity pool spilling into the countryside of endless vineyards. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Ride to San Gimignano

More vineyards await you today, but you will be amazed at how different they look once you get into the district of San Gimignano. Soon you pass Monteriggioni, literally a town-in-a-castle. Barely two hundred yards across, its eighty residents all reside within the picture-perfect round turreted walls that crown the hilltop visible for miles around. Soft, colorful, rolling hills of vineyards and sunflowers provide the backdrop to pre-Roman Etruscan remnants on your route to San Gimignano's "medieval skyscrapers" in the distance you will see the seventeen towers.Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop ride around San Gimignano

Today you will leave San Gimignano behind and cycle to the ancient Etruscan town of Volterra. Through a patchwork-like landscape dotted with wheat fields, olive groves and villas, you reach the base of the imposing hill upon which the town is set. One more solid climb before you arrive in the old town. The "magic and mysterious" city of Volterra has its roots in three thousand years of history. It is possible to find evidence and traces from every historical period which gives the artistic city a unique aspect. Back to San Gimignano via another scenic back road. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Umbria Italy's Green Heart

Just southeast of Tuscany lies Umbria: Italy's green heart is a wonderful mix of vineyards, olive groves and tiny Medieval villages perched upon the hillside. Stunningly beautiful region waiting to be discovered. Cycling through rolling hills dotted with castles, fortresses and watchtowers harks you back to the mysticism and mysteries of the Dark Ages. Visit the well-preserved medieval hill towns harboring splendid Renaissance art and Assisi, where the region's rich history can be found at every turn.

Duration: week
Price: from 1350 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Orvieto

Orvieto, looming ahead on its strange plateau, crowned by the cathedral of Santa Maria, is considered by one and all to be among the very finest churches in all of Europe. Orientation and bicycle set up in the evening. Dinner on your own.

Loop from Orvieto

Today the bike ride highlight is visiting Civita di Bagnoregio. The town is noted for its striking position atop a plateau of friable volcanic tuff overlooking the Tiber River Valley, which is in constant danger of destruction as its edges fall off, leaving the buildings on the plateau to crumble. As of 2004, there are plans to reinforce the plateau with steel rods to prevent further geological damage. The city is also much admired for its architecture, some spanning several hundred years. Civita di Bagnoregio owes much of its unaltered condition to its relative isolation: the town was able to withstand most intrusions of modernity as well as the destruction brought by two world wars. The population today varies from about 12 people in winter to over 100 in the summer. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Orvieto to Todi

At the end of this unique excursion you will take the customary uphill incline leading into Todi, whose proximity is heralded by the wonderful Santa Maria della Consolazione, a magnificent Renaissance church set amidst shrubs and treetops on the outskirts of town. Todi still has almost all of its medieval walls, and its pristine charm has made it a favorite country home of wealthy Romans and artists, as well as a host of artisans who have enlivened its streets with their shop. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Todi to Montefalco via Trevi

Today is dedicated to the quintessential Umbrian delicacy: the medieval hilltop town. After bidding farewell to Todi, you're off to visit Trevi, which rises up on a hill dominating the plain where the river Clitunno flows, between Foligno and Spoleto. The destination is The Balcony of Umbria: Montefalco. Extremely tiny, it occupies a hilltop placed so strategically that majestic views are available at the end of every street. Along the way, you breeze past a few isolated rural churches and through a couple of towns too small to even make it onto the map. Among the most important typical products...
in the city we should absolutely mention the Sagrantino of Montefalco wine. The cultivation of vineyards in this territory, in particular Sangiovese, dates back to the pre-Roman era. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Round-trip ride from Montefalco to Spoleto

Along the way, you breeze past a few isolated rural churches and through a couple of towns too small to even make it onto the map. The first big church is Madonna delle Stelle 7km from the departure. Today has very gentle hills and partially flat terrain. The highlight is the visit of Spoleto, within its wooded setting, is the loveliest of the Umbrian hilltop towns. Its urban atmosphere is enhanced by its superb monuments and by the Festival dei due Mondi, Europeas leading arts festival is held in June and July. Come back in time for a wine tasting in Montefalco, the area is famous for the Sagrantino Wine. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Montefalco to Torgiano via Assisi & Bevagna

Today is expressly designed to allow you plenty of time in Assisi. You begin with a nice downhill ride into Bevagna But you’ll surely want to stop in this picturesque hamlet at whose nucleus is one of the most authentic Romanesque town squares in Italy. Next is Spello, not-to-be missed: among the neighboring cities, this is surely the one which preserves the major number of monuments testifying to the Roman era; for example, the town walls, which later became the foundations for the medieval walls, the ruins of the theater and the amphitheater, the thermal baths and the splendid town portals A short climb up to the Assisi, hometown of Saint Francis, perched on an outcrop overlooking the valley, gleaming soft pink against the dark-green backdrop of wild Mount Subasio. You'll want to explore the city's revered and very beautiful churches, its romantic castle and impossibly narrow streets, visit Saint Mary of the Angels built in the 16th century, it houses the very ancient Porziuncola, a tiny rustic chapel where the saint founded the first Franciscan friary. Enjoy the downhill form Assisi to valley and 10 miles later you arrive at the beautiful tiny village of Torgiano. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast or an optional short bike ride to Deruta. The little excursion allows you to visit the pottery and artistic majolica town. Deruta ceramics are a milestone in the history of Italian pottery. They gained worldwide fame during the Renaissance thanks to their creative and qualitative excellence. Back to hotel where you leave bikes and finish your trip. Breakfast included.

What's included
6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom  
Daily breakfast at each hotel  
Orientation in person with our local guide  
Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT  
Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets  
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All luggage transfers  
Comprehensive trip literature  
Technical and emergency support available at all times

What's not included

Airfare to and from the trip  
Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.  
Lodging before and after the trip  
Drinks  
Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

**hybridbike**
Included with your bike rental:
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- Odometer
- Spare tube/toolkit/tyre levers/patch kit/pump
- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

**roadbike**
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- Odometer
- Spare tube/toolkit/tyre levers/patch kit/pump
- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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- Make sure your passport is up to date.
- About two months before you leave, we will send you the final package of travel information: all you need to get ready for your trip.
Alps Cols Trophy

On this trip, you will pose your suitcases in the beautiful valley of Oisans housing the great Alpine passes that have contributed enormously to the rich history of the Tour de France. This giant playground includes the famous passes of Alpe d’Huez, Lautaret, Galibier, Glandon, Croix de Fer and the 2 Alpes. Beyond these legendary climbs, you will also have the opportunity to climb smaller hills through this extensive and beautiful region of the Alps. Do not leave without climbing up to the small village of Bérarde, an exception for road cycling in the heart of an incredible landscape! Are you ready to conquer the Alps?

Duration: week
Price: from 750 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
**Itinerary**

*Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.*

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**Arrive in Freney d'Oisans**

Travel from Grenoble to the hotel where you will have your welcome meeting, bike delivery and inspection and program orientation conducted by one of our knowledgeable local staff. Local bus service is regular to Freney or we can arrange a private transfer for an additional fee. Dinner included.

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**Alpe d'Huez today!**

We suggest to start with a nice long downhill toward Allemont as a way to get your legs warmed up before turning back toward Bourg d'Oisans. You can choose to go straight up Alpe d'Huez at this point, or continue your riding to La Berarde where you can take a cable car ride with your bike up to Les Deux Alpes, to start attacking the 21 switchbacks! Alpe d'Huez is a vertical climb of 1.120m (3.733 feet), 14 km (8.75 miles) long, gradients between 7.7 and 12% and 21 switchbacks is one of the most historical and heroic ones in the history of the Tour de France. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

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**Col du Gladon & Croix de Fer**

Today, an easy start as you warm up slowly descending to Bourg d'Oisans and then take the valley up to the intersection indicating "Col de la Croix de Fer." At that point, you start a long climb of 30 kilometers surrounded by a sublime landscape. Once at the Col du Glandon, you have barely 3km to reach the top of the Iron Cross peaks over 2000m. Breathe deep and pat yourself on the back, you made it! Denivelée : +4215m. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

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**Col du Lautaret & Galibier**

Your legs should be ready now to attack a monument in the Alps, le Col du Galibier at 2642m. Before getting there, you will start go through the col du Lautaret to get you ready for the final climb. At that point you will go up 8.5 km at 7% and over 12% on the last meters! At the top you will be rewarded for your efforts with a magical scenery of snow-capped peaks and surrounding glaciers. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

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Departure Day

Departure after breakfast with transfer on your own to Grenoble TGV station by bus from Freney d'Oisans. We can arrange a private transfer for an additional fee. Extra nights are possible if you wish to extend your stay. Breakfast included.

What's included

4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, 4 dinners included, Orientation by telephone, Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times.

What's not included

Airfare to and from the trip, Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental. Lodging before and after the trip, Drinks, Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

**roadbike**
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**ebike**
Included with your bike rental:
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- Odometer
- Spare tube/toolkit/tyre levers/patch kit/pump
- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own
mountainbike
Included with your bike rental:
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- Odometer
- Spare tube/toolkit/tyre levers/patch kit/pump
- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

tandem
Included with your bike rental:
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- Spare tube/toolkit/tyre levers/patch kit/pump
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Alpe d'huez to Briancon

Even better than our 4 night program, this tour offers a few changes of hotels and takes you even further into the region to ride more mountain passes and see more of this beautiful region. You will put your climbing legs to the test on the famous mountains passes (cols) of Croix de Fer, the backside of the Galibier, the Izoard, and of course, the monstrous Alpe d'Huez. If you are an experienced and passionate rider looking for the ultimate challenge, then come experience the cols where cycling legends made their marks.

Upon your arrival in the village of Alpe d'Huez you will get a detailed briefing about the cycling possibilities in the area, the best routes, and organizational tips to get the most out of this great cycling holiday. After your rides, you can relax in comfortable mountain hotels and enjoy hardy alpine dinners to fuel you for your next mountain challenge.

Duration: week
Price: from 1020 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrival Day

Travel from Grenoble to a 3 star resort in the town of Alpe d'Huez where you will receive your road book and your rental bike. This afternoon you will receive an orientation over the telephone with one of our team members. Dinner included.

Alpe d'Huez Day

Alpe d'Huez is a vertical climb of 1.120m (3.733 feet), 14 km (8.75 miles) long, gradients between 7.7 and 12% and its 21 switchbacks are famous for cracking or elevating cycling legends in the history of the Tour de France. The ride is 49km but you have the option to climb les deux alpes as well. Total distance would be 69km (37mi). Total ascent of 2144m. Dinner and breakfast included.

Alpe d'Huez to St Jean-de-Maurienne

A though ride day from L'Alpe d'Huez to St Jean-de-Maurienne. On this day, you will ride approximately half the route of the famous and grueling Marmotte race with lots of climbing and long steep descents. Before reaching St Jean-de-Maurienne, you will pass by the Col de Sarenne and the Col de la Croix de Fer, first introduced to the Tour de France in 1947. Total ascent of 2800m. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Col du Telegraph, du Lautaret & Galibier

Another challenging day with 3 cols waiting for you: the Col du Telegraph, Col du Lautaret, and then the famous Col du Galibier. You will end this ride with a long descent all the way to Briancon where you will spend the night. Total ascent of 2800m. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Col d'Izoard

We left one of the most difficult mountain passes for the end, the Col d'Izoard. The Izoard is a long climb from Briancon, but worth the arduous effort. There is an option to go to the town of Sestrieres in Italy and back if you still have enough fuel on your legs. Total ascent = 1495m. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
## Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Transfer by bus on your own from Briancon to Grenoble's TGV station is available.

### What's included

- 5 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 2 dinners included
- Orientation by telephone
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
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### What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
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- Drinks
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Alps & Mont Ventoux

On this tour you can learn how the pro riders suffer and take inspiration from the amazing beauty of these spectacular mountain passes. Go to the top of Alpe d'Huez, touch the monument to Henri Desgranges at the summit of the Galibier, climb Les Deux Alpes, the Col de Lautaret, among others. If you are an experienced and passionate rider looking for the ultimate challenge, then come to experience the cols where cycling legends made their marks.

Upon arrival to the charming village of Freney d'Oisans in the Alps you will get a detailed briefing about the cycling possibilities in the area, the best routes and organization tips to get the most out of this great cycling holiday. After the rides, you can relax at comfortable mountain hotels and enjoy hardy alpine dinners to fuel you for the next mountain challenge.

Duration: week
Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Freney d'Oisans

Travel by bus or private transfer from Grenoble to the hotel in Freney d'Oisans where the welcome meeting, orientation and bike setup will take place. Stay in a charming 3* hotel in Freney d'Oisans. Gourmet dinner included.

Alpe d'Huez today!

The first climbs of the tour: Le Glandon and La Croix-de-Fer. It's a very long and irregular col. When you reach the crossroad with the Glandon, you can make a small detour of 1,5 km to reach the top of the Croix the Fer and to enjoy the view. This pass has been included in the Tour de France 14 times, the first time in 1947, and most recently in 2006. Total ascent 3621m. Dinner and breakfast included.

Alpe d'Huez to St Jean-de-Maurienne

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Col du Lautaret - Col du Galibier

Two tough by rewarding climbs in the Alps: the Col du Lautaret and the Col du Galibier. You will climb the Col du Lautaret (40kms - 25 miles) from the village of Le Bourg d'Oisans, with a vertical climb of 1.400m (4.666 feet) and an average gradient of 3.8 % (max 9%). And if that was not enough, you will then tackle the climb to the Galibier (8.5 km -5.3 miles) with a vertical climb of 585m (1.950 feet) and an average gradient of 6.9 % (12% max). Dinner and breakfast included.

Transfer to Bedoin

Departure from the Alps after breakfast with a 10am transfer to the village of Bedoin at the foot of
Mont Ventoux. Allow 4 hours travel time. In Bedoin, you have free time to explore the village or relax for the rides ahead. You will stay in a charming 3 star hotel with dinner and morning breakfast included.

Mont Ventoux

Conquer Mont Ventoux. This itinerary begins with a warm-up ride between the vineyards of Bédoin, followed by the challenging climb and descent of Mont Ventoux. Climbing the Mon Ventoux is an experience that will stay with you for a long time. Total Ascent : 2695m. Stay in the same hotel in Bedoin from the previous day. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop rides around Bedoin

Several great ride options again today: the Gorges de la Nesque, the Gordes, and/or a long ride through the vineyards. Take your pick, all of them are lovely country rides for you. Distance varies depending on your preferred route. Stay in the same hotel in Bedoin from the previous day. Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast; transfer to Avignon included. Breakfast included.

What's included

- 7 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel, 7 dinners included
- Orientation by telephone
- Bikes available for rental
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What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
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- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.

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Alsace Hiking

Hiking in Alsace is a unique experience as you explore a part of the region that is nestled between the beautiful Vosges mountains in France and the borders of Germany and Switzerland. Alsace is a combination of cultures and therefore charm. The famous Route du Vin (wine route) encompasses at least 100 wine producing villages between Strasbourg and Colmar, creating some of France's best wines. Also offer gourmet cuisine and has more Michelin star restaurants than any other region. Experience gastronomy in refined and traditional dishes like the famous baeckeofe. The beauty of its traditional architecture will surprise you with village after village of pretty half timbered houses decked with brilliantly colored flowers. On this tour, you will mainly walk on GR trails, which are well maintained and marked.

**Duration:** week  
**Price:** from 1020 EUR  
**Level:** Hobby  
**Activity:** hiking  
**Date:** Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Obernai

Arrive in Strasbourg and then train to Obernai, south of Strasbourg along the Wine Route. The train ride is about 30 minutes and trains are available throughout the day. To arrive in Strasbourg, there is easy rail access from Paris with the newly opened TGV line; or by air. Rail access from Frankfurt is also possible. Orientation by phone in the evening at the hotel. Overnight in Obernai in a charming 4 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included. If you have the time, here are some sites to visit in Strasbourg: Petite France: The popular corner of the Grand le (the Main Island) is where the le river splits up into a number of canals, and cascades through a small area of half-timbered houses. Ponts Couverts: Towers and footbridges situated at the end of Petite France Cathedral, built from 1190 to 1439. Quartier Allemand (German District), the showcase of German neoclassical architecture in Strasbourg.

Obernai to Barr

Your first hiking day; you start from your hotel and go to the Mont Saint Odile. You will then walk on to Barr covering about 17km with some hills and a forested trail. You can have lunch at the summit of the hills at the Mont St Odile then descend nicely to Barr. You are in tree cover most of the day which doesn’t allow for long views, but you come out into the wine country around Barr and can sample some of the excellent local wines when you are back. 16.7 km with climbing; elev gain 696m; estimated 5 hours hiking. Dinner and breakfast included.

Barr to Itterswiller

Two options today, but both take you through vineyard country and on to the Foret d’Andlau and the passing by the wine town of Bernardville before going on to Itterwiller. The short route will take about 3.5 hours, 10.3 km with about 397m elevation gain. Long itinerary is 13.7km, 4.5 hours, 721m elev gain. Before your dinner, we will organize a wine tasting in order to discover the best wines of the area! Dinner and breakfast included.

Itterswiller/Haut Koenigsbourg to Ribeauville

Your destination today is Ribeauville, but we will start with a taxi transfer at 9am to the Chateau of Haut Koenigsbourg. The castle is nestled at a strategic location on a high hill overlooking the Alsatian plain. From there, you will have a scenic hike back to Ribeauville, through the Forest de
Ribeauville on the GR5 path. In the Middle Ages, Ribeaueville was the seat of the Seigneurs de Ribeaupierre - the Lords of Ribeaupierre (hence the town's name of Ribeauvillé). 11.4km, 360m elev gain; approx 4 hours hiking. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ribeauville to Kaysersberg

Your destination today is Kaysersberg, a charmingly little village. You will hike in the vineyards in the morning to reach Ricquewihr, the perfect stop for lunch. Ricquewihr is a medieval town located in the heart of the vineyard, which is well known for its picturesque and its outstanding architectural heritage. Hiking in the forest in the afternoon, you will head to another remains of chateau to visit, just before Kaysersberg where you stay overnight and take dinner on your own. Breakfast included.10km; 3.5 hours and 610m elev gain.

Kaysersberg to Colmar

You will first hike to Turkheim, known for its Gewurztraminer, traditional Alsatian cuisine, and stunning surrounding scenery. Then walk to Colmar, one of the most charming of all the Alsatian villages. Of interest are the various museums: (Unterlinden, Bartholdi, du Jouet), and the old town architecture (Old Customs House, Pfister House, Cathedral, etc.). Walking enthusiasts will enjoy Petite Venise, a typical quarter with very well-preserved old Alsace homes, the yacht harbour and the pedestrianized old town with its many shops. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.16km; 4.5 hours and 504m elev gain.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Trains to Paris and Strasbourg from Colmar possible. Extra nights in Colmar or Strasbourg possible. Breakfast included.

What's included

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What's not included

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Bordeaux and Dordogne Best of

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour starts in Bordeaux and then moves into the vineyards including the famous name of Saint Emilion on up to Bergerac. You then travel into the Prehistory region of the Dordogne, Les Eyzies and Sarlat. This combination is a 'best of' experience for a week timeframe in Aquitaine - some true highlights! You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris. The trip finishes in Sarlat from where you can take a small train to connect back to the TGV line.Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and the grottos of prehistory. You will pass through some old walled towns, see abbeys, and visit medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour!

Duration: week
Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Bordeaux

Arrive in Bordeaux - a large city with good rail access and commercial airline flights from several European capitals. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the wine museums and shops for local wines. Orientation in the evening at your hotel with bike delivery and set up. Dinner on your own - many choices.

Ride to Saint Macaire

Ride out of Bordeaux on bike paths all the way to the charming town of Creon, and then continue through wine country all the way to St Emilion. Discover this World Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become St Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Sainte Radegonde

Today you keep cycling east and head towards Ste Radegonde and will pass the St Genes de Castillon, a charming village surrounded by vineyards. Accommodation is in a comfortable 3 star hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Bergerac

From Ste Radegonde you will cycle through the vineyards to Bergerac, located on the Dordogne river, a large town with good rail access and services. This is your gateway into the famous Black Perigord. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the Maison des Vins - for local wines. 3 star hotel included. Dinner out on your own in Bergarac; some suggestions will be included Breakfast included.

Ride to Tremolat
A ride to one of the most famous vineyards of the region: Saint Emilion! Discover this World Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become Saint-Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Les Eyzies

A lot to see and visit on this day, you have a choice of rides. Starting out easy you come to Audrix a small village by small roads and almost no traffic. Then down to Le Bugue and Gouffre de Proumeysac, and then on to Les Eyzies - capital of Pre-History! Take time to visit this very charming town and its sites and museums including the Font de Gaume. Font de Gaume is a cave that houses a collection of prehistoric polychrome cave paintings. Prehistoric people living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the mouth of Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The caves most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included, lodging is central charming 3 star.

Ride to Sarlat

Again, a choice of rides to allow you more time to visit. The destination is the very charming town of Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in town tonight; we include suggestions. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, trains from Sarlat connect to nearby towns and on to Paris all day long. We can help with added nights, car rentals, or other extensions to your travel. Breakfast included.

What's included

7 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star
superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, 3 dinners included, Orientation in person with our local guide, Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times

What’s not included

Airfare to and from the trip, Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental, Lodging before and after the trip, Drinks, Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Spare tube/toolkit/tyre levers/patch kit/pump
- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Brittany Hiking

At the border of Brittany and Normandy in France, the Bay of the Mont Saint Michel shelters one of the jewels of the western Christian art, the iconic Mont Saint Michel. The region around the Mont is mostly flat, at first glance the bay is nothing more than a sandy marsh, covered by the sea depending on the tide. Originally this Mount was just a huge rock on which the church builders used the most imaginative techniques to erect what is now a masterpiece listed by the UNESCO amongst the ten monuments in the world to be protected. You will start in the beautiful seaside city of St Malo and begin a walk along the coast with the Mont constantly in view. Your anticipation will be heightened the closer you get, and along the way you will be charmed by the quiet beauty, the original flora, the thousands of birds that nest or fly through the bay.

Duration: week
Price: from 790 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in St Malo

Arriving in the wine capital, the city of of Beaune, you have a little time to explore this city and some of its treasures including the Hotel Dieu (hospices) before or after your arrival orientation in the evening. Dinner on your own in town, and free time to visit. Night in centrally located 3 star hotel with large rooms.

St Malo to Cancale

Our driver will transfer you to La Guimorais, from where you will pick up the GR34 trail. You will walk along the Emerald Coast up to La Pointe du Grouin, where you will have a stunning viewpoint on the ocean. On a clear day, you can even see the outline of the Mont Saint Michel! Your destination today is Cancale, a picturesque fishing village famous for its oysters. History has it that Louis XIV had his oysters brought to Versailles from Cancale. Centuries later, the farming of oysters is still a major activity in the port and there are oyster beds covering about 7.3 square kilometres easily seen from the pier at the harbour. You’ll stay in a lovely 3* hotel. Dinner and breakfast included.

Cancale to Le Mont St Michel

Today, you will walk to the Mont Saint Michel. Our driver will transfer you to Cherrueix, where you will pick up the GR 34 trail that will take you to the Mont Saint Michel. You will walk through the polders and along the Bay of the Mont St Michel. You spend the night in a 3* hotel located on the Mont Saint Michel itself! Dinner on your own and breakfast included. To visit Mont Saint Michel: The Abbaye: once a humble little monastery, the island and its fortifications have effectively grown up around this. During the French Revolution, the abbey was used a prison, and an extensive restoration was required to restore it. A few prison-era showpieces, like the human hamster wheel used to lift supplies in and out of the complex, have been kept. Porte de l'Avanc?e, the main gate at the end of the causeway, which leads straight to the Grande Rue. The ramparts, which offer great views of the mudflats. Museum of History, which features old collections ( weapons, paintings, sculptures, watches), prisons and dungeons, the 19th century periscope which reveals the bay. The archeoscope, a show to discover the construction of this fabulous monument and its sacred history. Maritime museum, where you can discover the tides, the bay and the massive building site to restore the maritime character of the Mont Saint-Michel.

Loop around Mont St Michel
You have two options today. You can either take the whole day to visit the Mont Saint Michel, or you can go walk around the Mont. If you choose to walk, today's itinerary will take you to east coast of the Mont Saint Michel along the GR 223. Return to your hotel on the Mont. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure**

After breakfast, you can take your time with breakfast and catch a bus that will bring you back to Rennes, from where you can catch a TGV to Paris. You have a bus at 9:30am that will allow you to catch an 11:05am train to Paris. Breakfast included.

**What’s included**

- 4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 2 dinners included
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
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- All luggage transfers
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**What's not included**

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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Brittany to Mont-Saint-Michel

One of France’s most rugged regions, Brittany is a fascinating mix of spectacular coastline, ancient towns, magical islands and inland woods. A Celtic duchy for more than one thousand years before its annexation to France in 1532, it is a land rich in culture, tradition and history.

This cycling tour starts in Saint Malo and will lead you to the Mont Saint Michel, site of the spectacular and well-preserved Norman Benedictine Abbey of St Michel at the peak of the rocky island, surrounded by the winding streets and convoluted architecture of the medieval town. The coastal region includes a line of fine sandy beaches interspersed with rocks, reefs, granite headlands and sheer cliffs which are dappled pink and gray in the sun. Brittany is famous for a rich cultural heritage and its architecture: castles, feudal fortresses, and abbeys which are open to visit.

In Brittany, there is a saying that it is sunny many times per day! Yes, it can rain, but often not sustained. Bring a rain jacket, but don’t miss unique and beautiful Brittany!

Duration: week
Price: from 930 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in St Malo

The town is easily accessible from Paris by TGV. You stay in a beautiful 3* hotel in the center of Saint Malo. Orientation at 6pm and dinner on your own. To visit in Saint Malo: The walled city (La Ville Intra-Muros); The chateau of Saint-Malo with The Solidor tower of Saint-Servan. Dinner on your own.

St Malo to Cancale

For your first riding day, you'll cycle along the Emerald Coast up to La Pointe du Grouin, where you will have a stunning viewpoint on the ocean. On a clear day, you can even see the outline of the Mont Saint Michel! Your destination today is Cancale, a picturesque fishing village famous for its oysters. History has it that Louis XIV had his oysters brought to Versailles from Cancale. Centuries later, the farming of oysters is still a major activity in the port and there are oyster beds covering about 7.3 square kilometres easily seen from the pier at the harbour. You'll stay in a lovely 3* hotel. Dinner and breakfast included.

Cancale to Le Mont St Michel

Today, you will cycle to the Mont Saint Michel. Before reaching the Mont, you will stop at the charming town St Benoit des Ondes, a fisherman village which name comes from a benedict priory linked to the Saint Benoit du Blanc Essay monastery. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Mont Saint Michel loop or rest day

You have two options today. You can either take the whole day to visit the Mont Saint Michel, or you can go cycle around the Mont. If you choose to ride, today's itinerary will take you to the Mont Saint Michel's bay. Return to your hotel on the Mont. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure

You can take your time with breakfast and catch a bus that will bring you back to Rennes, from where you can catch a TGV to Paris. You have a bus at 9:30am that will allow you to catch a
What's included

- 4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 1 dinner included
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.

11:05am train to Paris. Breakfast included.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Odometer
- Spare tube/toolkit/tyre levers/patch kit/pump
- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Burgundy Gastronomy & Wine

This cycling tour is the perfect combination of Burgundy's most important treasured assets: wine and cuisine - or more artfully referred to as Gastronomy! Starting in Dijon, a beautiful city with sites, history, and gateway to wine country, you will make your way across the vineyards of the most famous vignobles. As great wine requires great cooking, you will have many gastronomical experiences in the restaurants we include, but you can also venture out on your own to explore the many excellent choices available in both Dijon and Beaune. The cycling is moderate and is the perfect way to enhance your appetite for the best of Burgundy! This tour is a deluxe program of luxury for those interested in the best of the best!

Bicycle touring in the wine country of Burgundy is one of the most rewarding means of discovering the wine of the internationally renowned Burgundy name.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Dijon

Arriving in Dijon, you will go to the centrally located hotel to receive your documentation and bikes for orientation in the evening. You can explore the town with your free time before and after. Night in 5-star hotel and dinner out on your own in Dijon.

Loop around Dijon

Riding today will take you out into the countryside of Dijon to get warmed up and to visit some of the nearby vineyards and sites including the Burgundy canal. Return to Dijon and your 5 star hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Dijon to Vougeot

You ride into the Cotes de Nuit wine country today passing some of the most famous names in Burgundy wine such as Chambolle-Musigny, Gevrey Chambertin and Vougeot. Visit Château du Clos Vougeot and stay in your charming hotel with a gourmet dinner tonight. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Vougeot

Loop ride day from Vougeot. Discover the Burgundy countryside and more vineyards of Hautes Cotes de Nuits at your own pace; as we propose 3 different cycling options. This area is the center for the region's Grands Crus. Mainly reputed for its red wines, it also produces a select few whites. Visit more vignobles and taste some of the produce at your leisure. Return to your same hotel and another gastronomic dinner. Dinner and breakfast included.

Vougeot to Beaune

Leaving your hotel you will pass through the lower vineyard area of Cotes de Nuits and into Beaune, the wine capital of the region. Leave plenty of time to explore Beaune and its many sites including the famous Hotel Dieu, and its many wine caves. You have a deluxe hotel in the town center tonight. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Loop around Beaune

A ride from Beaune to the south and the Cotes de Beaunes vineyard area. You will be able to visit Meursault, Puligny-Montrachet, Chagny, Pommard, Santenay and then back to Beaune. You will find many opportunities to taste and purchase; or when you return to Beaune you can taste some of the appellations you visited by bike today! Breakfast included. Dinner on your own.

Departure Day

Departure at your leisure after breakfast. Additional visits and stays can be arranged as well as trains back to Paris with hotel. Breakfast included.

What’s included

- 6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 2 dinners included
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

What’s not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
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- Drinks
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- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Catalonia Culture & Heritage

This trip will give you a global view of this interesting and unique region of Catalonia, the Emporda. It has an atmosphere which is unlike any other in the region. During your trip, you can discover the works and life of the famous artist Salvador Dali as you ride by Figueres and Putbol, which are 2 of the cities in the Salvador Dali Triangle. You can also take advantage of the famous beaches on the Costa Brava and admire one of the most beautiful medieval villages Baix d'Emporda. But don't forget the food and wine! The locals prepare the best from its surroundings, taking advantage of the sea, the mountains, and the nearby fertile plains to eat very well.

Duration: week
Price: from 1120 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Figueres

Arrive in Figueres where an English speaking team member will meet you in your hotel to give you your personalized tour orientation and bike setup. Dinner on your own.

L'Aubisque & Hautacam

For your first day on the bike, you have several distances to choose from. You can choose a short ride, to see the Dali Museum if you missed it yesterday. Or you can ride along the vineyards around the village of Peralada, which is famous for its wine Castillo Perelada and has continually been produced here since the middle ages. You'll then continue to Castello d'Empuries, the capital of Emporda. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Castello d'Empuries to Torroella de Montgri

Today you will continue to ride on flat terrain, where certain sections are reserved exclusively for bikes and were made for the Pirinexus route, some of which is riding on the Sirvent Canal. After the canal, you will ride through agricultural areas, where the route is mostly paved until you get to San Marti d'Empuries with its beaches with fine sand. This area was strategic for the Greeks in the 6 century BC, which chose it as their port to dock at. You can discover this magnificent port which has some of the most interesting Antiquity engineering on the Iberian Peninsula. Now it is time to continue on l'Escala and the archeological sites of Empuries, Bellcaire, and then Castello d'Empuries following the Montgri mountain range. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Torroella de Montgri

Today we have planned a flat loop tour around the plains to the ?Gola? on the mouth of the Ter River. We suggest a circular route on plains until the mouth?s river, to see the magnificent ?Gola? of the Ter River, where the river finishes into the Mediterranean Sea with its wetlands in the Baix Ter. You will then ride to l'Estartit, a fishing arts and crafts village, which has converted into an important tourist centre with a wide range of services and facilities. Its main attraction is the ?Illes Medes? which have been declared a natural coast reserve. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Torroella de Montgri to Madremanya

From Torroella, you will ride up the Ter River through on a cycle path to Pubol. The castle in this village was bought by Salvador Dali for his wife Gala. The Gala Dalí Castle in Púbol, open to the public since 1996, allows visitors to discover a medieval building in which Salvador Dalí modified with his mind on only one person, Gala. The paintings, sculptures, and its library show an exuberant creative effort. After your visit, you will join the charming village of Madremanya? a haven of peace and tranquility!Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Madremanya

For your last ride we suggest a loop for discovering some of the most beautiful medieval villages in the Baix d’Emporda. Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

We will transfer you back to Girona train station at 9:30am. According to your program, we can arrange accommodations and transportation.Breakfast included.

What's included

- Departure transfer from Madremanya to Girona
- 6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 3 dinners included
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- Chocolate tasting
- Wine tasting
- Treasure hunt
- All luggage transfers
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What's not included

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Champagne Best Of

This Champagne bike tour is based in the key cities of the famous wine region: Reims and Epernay! This is your gateway to the vineyards of the region and a chance to visit the most famous names in Champagne for a little tasting and education of this unique ‘methode’. Standing at the foot of the Regional Nature Park of the Montagne de Reims, and on both banks of the Marne, the Champagne vineyards are a spectacular sight all year round, displaying a whole host of different colours. Come and discover all the secrets of Champagne while cycling some rolling country roads where you can drop in to visit the cellars and taste the king of wines, including Hautvillers where Dom Perignon 'invented' the Champagne method. Walk down the famous Avenue de Champagne in Epernay, lined with Champagne houses with their elegant architecture.

Duration: week
Price: from 850 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Reims

Arrival in Reims, located less than a 1-hour train ride from Paris. Famous for its 13th century Gothic Cathedral and its rich history, Reims has something for everyone! After checking in at your hotel, you will have some free time to discover this prestigious city with numerous wine cellars, famous gastronomy and Gallo-Roman chalk galleries. Our local guide will meet you at the hotel for your orientation and bike set up. Dinner on your own.

Loop around Reims

On this first day we propose 3 options to choose from, depending on the level you are looking for (the group rides altogether on one of these):
The easiest option (36km - 22mi) is a short one taking you through the countryside of Champagne, forests and of course vineyards. With that option, you have enough time to get back to Reims and visit the city some more.
The moderate option (45km - 28mi) takes you to Massif Saint Thierry and the surrounding villages, many of which closely related to the coronation of many kings of France.
The longest option (54km - 34mi) is reserved for stronger cyclist and will include a few more miles than the moderate option with lots of peaceful scenery, vineyards and small villages.
Upon return to Reims, stay at the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Reims to Eperna

After breakfast, you leave Reims and head towards the 'Mountain of Reims'. The itinerary takes you through various landscapes: the famous Champagne vineyards of Chigny les Roses, a village with 41 wine cellars, mountain and forest. Today's itinerary includes a steep climb halfway through so pace yourself! You have several opportunities to visit vineyards, and possibly meet winegrowers. Upon arrival in Epernay, check in at your charming 3* hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop around Epernay

Loop ride around Epernay: Today you will again have 2 itinerary options! The first one (42km - 26mi) takes you through the Vallee de la Marne where you can visit more cellars and stunning views of the valley. Don't miss 'La maison Champenoise' where you can visit this house built in 1642. With only 4 rooms but considered big in the 1900s, it shows how the locals
lived. You can also visit an old distillery at 'La Goutte', and on the way, you can stop in Chatillon sur Marne, birth place of Pope Urbain II. At the foot of its statue, you can enjoy a panoramic view of 22 villages of the Marne Valley.

**Departure Day**

Take your time at breakfast and then depart to the rail station. Trains to Reims and return to Paris are possible. Ask us if you wish to book any extra services in France! Breakfast included.

**What's included**

- 4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

**What's not included**

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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Included with your bike rental:
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- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Passau to Vienna 7 Nights

Loved by many, this is the most famous cycling trail in Europe. The route is smooth, easy, and stunningly beautiful. Ride through pretty Austrian towns providing excellent services for cyclists along the Danube river. From Passau, at the confluence of the rivers Danube, Inn and Ilz, you will ride right along the Danube, in a deep river valley with castles and churches perched overlooking the river. See the romantic river meanders near the town of Schlogen, and the vineyards, meadows, and orchards of the Wachau wine region. Continue through small towns with rich cultural heritage: Melk with its beautiful monastery, Grein, and Krems on to the graceful city of Vienna.

Duration: week
Price: from 1250 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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### Arrive in Passau, the ?City of three rivers? in Deutschland

Arrive at the starting point of this tour Passau, with its impressive cathedral housing the biggest church organ of the world. Dinner on your own.

### Passau to Schlogen

Your cycle tour will begin by a beautiful ride along a densely-wooded, granite river valley, through the Sauwald to Schlogen where the hard, impermeable granite rock forces the Danube to flow back on itself, an incredible natural feature. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

### Schlogen to Linz

Today the route brings you along the immense Danube river valley between Schlogen and Linz. After a stop at the Wilhering monastery, with its particularly beautiful church, you continue on to the town of Linz. Linz has a host of museums and churches including the Church of St. Martin, which is the oldest church in Austria to have survived in its original form. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

### Linz to Grein

The first stop on the route is Enns, once a Roman settlement called Lauriocum and one of the oldest towns in Austria. The tower in Enns, built in 1565-68 is a masterpiece of Renaissance design. Another stop along the way is the riverside town of Mauthausen lesser known as the site of a terrible concentration camp in WWII. The rest of the route brings you through the meadow landscapes of the Machland river plain to the beginning of the Strudengau river valley. On the way you will pass through the towns of Wallsee and Ardagger, finally arriving at the town of Grein. Grein, on the banks of the Danube, has a 15th century castle. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

### Grein to Melk

Between Linz and Melk you will be cycling through the beautiful landscape of the Studengau, a narrow section of the Danube. Today you'll take a peaceful, romantic ride through the countryside.
along the Danube, passing though tiny Austrian villages. After the village of Marbach, you will pass the Maria Taferl, a centuries old pilgrimage destination perched on a rugged hilltop. As you cycle on to Melk you will begin to encounter the historical landscape of Nibelungengau. Then it is on to Melk with its famous Benedictine Monastery and spectacular church. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Melk to Tulln

The route follows the Danube through the beautiful, UNESCO protected Wachau wine region with its many vineyards and orchards. Along the way is Durnstein, a very picturesque town with narrow streets, busy squares and charming shops. Next comes the historic town of Krems with its 17th century town hall and many beautiful churches. After Krems you cross the Danube and get a superb view of the town. Then you bike through Traismauer, past the Gottweg monastery, to the town of Tulln. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Tulln to Vienna

This final, short stage brings you through the Wienerwald forest to Klosterneuburg with its Augustine Church, from 1108. The destination, Vienna is a vibrant, beautiful city with many things to do including seeing the cathedral and the amazingly designed Hundertwasser House, designed by Friedensreich Hundertwasser in 1985. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure day

Departure after breakfast. Depending on your wishes, we can arrange additional accommodation or transportation before or after your tour. Breakfast included.

What's included

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Dordogne Classic

The Dordogne department of the Aquitaine region, in the Black Perigord, and if you can get that, you will be delighted to visit the Quercy. Nevermind the geopolitical boundaries; the well known name of Dordogne is equivalent to famous cave paintings, remarkable chateaux, delicious food, rolling green countryside, and historic villages! What more could one vacation offer? Here on this tour you get to experience the force of water and the large rivers that have cut the limestone plateau and provided for all the now famous grottos that prehistoric man chose as his canvas. You can visit these grottos, explore the historic aspects of important towns such as Bergerac, Sarlat, La Roque Gageac, Beynac, and Les Eyzies. See chateaux, and stay in charming and welcoming country inns & chateau.

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Bergerac

Arrive Bergerac - a large town with good rail access and services. This is your gateway into the famous Black Perigord. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the Maison des Vins - for local wines. 3 star hotel included, orientation and bike delivery at your hotel. Dinner out on your own in Bergerac; some suggestions will be included.

Ride from Bergerac to Tremolat

A fairly challenging start to this tour, it involves some hilly terrain up to the viewpoint of Les Cingles de Tremolat. The ride will take you along a scenic route to St Sauveur and through the surrounding forests. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Les Eyzies

A lot to see and visit on this day. Starting out easy you come to Audrix a small village by small roads and almost no traffic. Then down to Le Bugue and Gouffre de Proumeyssac, and then on to Les Eyzies - capital of Pre-History! Take time to visit this very charming town and its sites, museums including the Font de Gaume. Font de Gaume is a cave that houses a collection of prehistoric polychrome cave paintings. Prehistoric people living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the mouth of Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The caves most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included, lodging is central charming 3 star.

Loop Ride to Lascaux II - Montignac

Here is an opportunity to visit another of the most famous grottos in the region: Lascaux II. The original Lascaux is not open to the public anymore but version II is an exact replica. Located just near to the town of Montignac, the cycling is a bit longer today and to get a good visit in, you should depart early. Pass through St Leon sur Vezere and numerous small villages. Return to Les Eyzies and the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Ride to Sarlat

The destination is the very charming town of Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own tonight. Breakfast included.

Loop Ride from Sarlat

A rolling ride to visit the panoramic countryside with visits at the Chateau of Monfort and rides along very lightly traveled roads. You can even choose to ride on a bike path back to Sarlat if you choose. Dinner on your own tonight, and same hotel in central Sarlat. Breakfast included.

Ride to Belves

For your last ride, you'll ride through some very scenic villages such as la Roque Gageac and Beynac. La Roque Gageac has the title of being 'one of the most beautiful villages' of France! Built at the foot of a cliff, right along the river, don't miss its Exotic gardens and the troglodyte fort. Just 3 miles away is Beynac, boasting an imposing castle once besieged by Richard the Lion Hart. This visit is not on the itinerary but you should add this short detour. Stay at charming 3 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, trains depart for Paris and other destinations throughout France. Breakfast included.

What's included

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Bikes available on this tour

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Gordes Provencal Escape

This Provence bike tour is based in Gordes, where you will spend 4 nights in the same hotel of your choice (3 or 4-star accommodations). Standing opposite the Luberon, perched on the foothills of the Vaucluse Plateau, the dry stone buildings of Gordes seem to reach for the blue sky. Its fortified Chateau from the 11th century and its church dominate the buildings, which seem to melt into the rock. Just a few miles north, is the Abbey de Senanque, situated in a small valley and surrounded by lavender fields. If you decide to go south, you can stop to visit an ancient oil press and the Musee du Vitrail, which tells the story of stained and painted glass. On this cycling tour, you will be provided with different itineraries allowing you to discover the many landscapes and villages of Provence, and each day you can choose which ride is better for you: short, long, challenging, easy.

Duration: week
Price: from 870 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Avignon & transfer to Gordes

Upon arrival in Avignon, you will be met for transfer to Gordes. You will have orientation and bike set up at the hotel in Gordes, and then you are free to explore the rest of the day in this charming village. Dinner included.

Multiple Loop Options

In three riding days, you can choose from several itineraries, the following itineraries are examples. We can also suggest some longer, more challenging rides for those interested. 2 dinners included during your stay. Breakfast included every day. This format allows for people of all abilities to come along, including non-riding participants. We can suggest visits by car and arrange spa treatments among many possible ways to spend an exciting day in Gordes/Provence! The Ochre Hills in Roussillon and the town of Apt (67km/41mi): A moderate ride through an area famous for its Ochre hills before going to Apt and Roussillon, the center of Ochre. Isle sur la Sorgue (39km/24mi): Charming town located on the river Sorgue. Includes visit of Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, village with a refreshing temperature due to the spring where the river Sorgue begins. This ride is best when done on a Sunday, because of the outside market and antique fair in Isle-sur-la-Sorgue. Bedoin/Mont Ventoux (89km/55mi): Hilly ride through the magnificent landscapes of the Vaucluse with a longer ride option to Mont Ventoux. On your way, you can stop at the Abbey of Senanque. Then you will go through a small mountain chain before reaching Venasque, one of France's most beautiful villages, on a hilltop with a splendid view of the area. If you choose to continue, you can go to Carpentras via small roads. The Murs Pass (3 options; 26/28/42km - 16/17/28mi): A beautiful and hilly ride, which will allow you to enjoy the forest and nature on this tour on the Murs Pass. 28km itinerary goes to Abbaye de Senanque 42km version includes both options. Valley of the Luberon (51km/31mi): this area became famous through the book «One Year in Provence» by Peter Mayle. Nice tour through the fossil village of Oppède-le-Vieux, Ménerbes (where Peter Mayle lived), Lacoste, Bonnieux and the Castle of Marquis de Sade.

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Guadeloupe islands Guided Tour

Bike rides, walks, leisure, sun and sandy beaches in the month of March! Yes, France allows this, and even more, as a specialist in France we have an offer to stay on the French Caribbean Island, Guadeloupe! Come enjoy the comfortable temperatures that the French Caribbean offers. To get out of the winter, we have prepared an unforgettable stay in one of the most beautiful islands in the world where the key words are training, recovery, and relaxation. After your morning excursions (biking for cyclists and walking for the non-riders) in the middle of the sugar cane fields and banana trees, recovery and discovery will be the order of the day to enjoy the warmth and romance of the long white, yellow and black sand beaches, its permanent sunshine and blue sea worthy of the most beautiful postcards. You will also discover rivers with clear water and waterfalls over 100 meters high. Guadeloupe is fascinating in its diversity, but also its people. Bring your smile, you will get back hundredfold and you will discover the kind people with a gift for happiness!

Duration: week
Price: from 2500 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Pointe-à-Pitre Airport

Your guide will welcome you in Pointe-à-Pitre airport and take you to your hotel in Saint François (Grande-Terre). Depending on the arrival time and your desires, a small stroll can be organized on a seaside road to Pointe des Chateaux. After a presentation of the team that will be pampering you and organizing your stay, a welcome drink will be offered.

Loop from your hotel and visit the distillery Damoiseau

This is the day you first walk amid sugar cane fields and banana trees. We'll take the opportunity to visit the most famous rum distillery Grande Terre, the Damoiseau distillery, founded in the 19th century by Monsieur Raimbaud. Of course, a small tasting will be offered to the fans of rum and adventure!

Loop from St. François

Today you head to the Chapelle de la Baie d'Olive and its olive green waters and the Porte d'Enfer, undoubtedly one of the most impressive and beautiful places of Guadeloupe. The afternoon will then be conducive to leisure and swimming on the many beaches of St. François.

Visiting Basse Terre and exploring the Cousteau Reserve

After a transfer by van to Sainte-Rose north of Basse-Terre, you will walk along the beautiful coastline and numerous sandy beaches to Mahaut. If you feel like it, take on one of the most difficult climbs of the island, the col des Mamelles, a strategic climb of the Tour of Guadeloupe. Back in Mahaut for lunch at the seaside with the group, we offer the discovery of the Cousteau Reserve by boat. This tour allows you to explore the beautiful underwater world of this natural reserve and even enjoy a swim in its warm, clear waters!

Beach & sun!

Make the most of this day to rest and recover from your efforts. You can also stroll through the streets of Saint François to purchase souvenirs and discover the many local specialties. For more
motivated a morning outing will be organized to the Pointe des Chateaux on the road along the sea

Loop from your hotel to the Grands Fonds

Probably the least touristy area of Guadeloupe, the Grands Fonds nevertheless deserves we pay it special attention. The Grand-Fonds is a spectacular set of landforms, unique in the world along with the Dolomites in Northern Italy and Vietnam. You will love the variety of landscapes in this ride!

Marie Galante

This is the last day of your stay but certainly the most beautiful! You will take the boat to Saint Louis, the main city of the beautiful island of Marie-Galante. On quiet roads you will discover its white sand beaches which are among the finest in the Caribbean! You cannot leave without tasting a glass of rum from Marie-Galante, who it said, gathers the best rums in the world!

Departure day

After breakfast, your guide will take you back to the airport. During the trip you can share your memories and no doubt you will already have in mind your next stay in Guadeloupe!

What's included

- 7 nights in 3 or 4 stars - hotels with swimming pool
- All breakfasts
- All dinners
- Qualified guides
- Bike rides of roughly 80km, the afternoon will be dedicated to exploration, swimming and rest.
- Vehicle for transfers and technical assistance
- Roadmap presenting the routes for the week as well as tourist information
- All transfers in the program presented below
- Cousteau Reserve and Marie Galante by boat
- Tourist taxes

What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
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Bikes available on this tour

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mountainbike
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tandem
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**Languedoc Canal du Midi**

Cycling in Languedoc from Carcassonne takes you on a relatively easy cycling trip along the famed Canal du Midi to finish on the Mediterranean coast at Sete. We include some key cities such as Narbonne and Beziers which offer important historical sites and are yet so typical of this southern France coastal region. Experience the rural France life and southern style while enjoying both the key waterway of the canal and the inviting Mediterranean. Early arrivals at Carcassonne allow enough time to experience the marvelous and intact medieval cite of Carcassonne, one of the most beautiful villages of France. This would be a great add on to our Carcassonne Countryside tour to make a 2 week visit of the best of Languedoc!

**Duration:** week  
**Price:** from 1020 EUR  
**Level:** Hobby  
**Activity:** biking  
**Date:** Starts any day
Itinerary

*Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.*

### Arrive in Carcassonne

Arrival in Carcassonne. What a great place to start, your hotel is located at the foot of the walls of the medieval cite of Carcassonne! Drop your bags and go explore. We provide an orientation and bike set up in the early evening. You have dinner on your own tonight; we include some suggestions inside the walls of the Cite. This is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and worth an extra night if you have time; ask us for rates.

### Carcassonne to St Pierre des Champs

Leaving Carcassonne, you come to the village of Trebes along the canal as you cycle on a quiet and wide bike path that follows the canal. You can watch the amateur and professional boat operators come along and navigate the locks installed throughout the canal. Continue south of the canal to the charming village of St Pierre des Champs. Flat to rolling terrain. Some sections along the Canal du Midi are on a trail. Dinner and breakfast included.

### St Pierre des Champs to Narbonne

The route takes you to the larger town of Narbonne where you can visit the impressive gothic cathedral and old city. The cycling route does veer off the Canal du Midi and takes the Canal de la Robine which goes to Narbonne. Flat to rolling rides with some sections on a trail. Dinner on your own in town. Breakfast included.

### Narbonne to Lignan

The cycling route goes into the countryside today following small country roads where you arrive at the unique city of Beziers that is famous for the Feria it hosts in August when hundreds of thousands attend to events including bull fighting. Beziers is also known for the Saint Nazaire cathedral (13th-15th centuries), and the terrible history of the Cathars who were all murdered in a purge by catholic crusaders in July 1209. You cycle some additional kilometers to join your charming and quiet hotel in Lignan. Flat to rolling countryside with some sections along the Canal du Midi on a trail. Dinner and Breakfast included

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Lignan to Cap d'Agde - La Mer!

Leaving Lignan and Beziers far behind, you cycle to Cap d'Agde, a lovely station on the Mediterranean sea. You pass first Agde which has a history of trade via the port which was historically very important. It used to be called Good Fortune (from Greek Agathe Tyche) and became an important trade point between Marseille and Spain in the 3rd century. Further on the cape, you have dinner included tonight. Some sections along the Canal du Midi are on a trail. Breakfast also included.

Cap d'Adge to Sète

This is a relatively short ride along the coastal area between the Thau Lagoon and the sea. Once in Sete you will find a beautiful city of typical districts that are crossed with canals and where colorful houses overlook the water. Sete is the city of George Brassens, a popular French singer from the 1960s era. Dinner on your own in any number of places tonight. Flat riding. For optional longer rides, please inquire prior to arrival. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Trains from Sete to Paris possible. Extra nights also possible, please inquire. Breakfast included.

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Loire Valley Secrets

This Loire Valley Cycling Tour was created to take you to another part of the region not covered by other trips, and do it at a reasonable rate. The tranquil waters of the Loire, Indre, and Cher rivers flow into one in the heart of this scenic region known for its vineyards, orchards, and magnificent castles. The flat-to-rolling terrain is perfect for cycling and is filled with trees and colors. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. This tour starts in Joue les Tours at the edge of Tours, an important cultural town with historical sites to explore. The cycling will take you to chateaux that are open to visit such as Azay le Rideau, Langeais, Chinon, Usse, and Saumur. You will also cycle through some important wine regions such as Chinon, and have the chance to explore some well known gardens such as Villandry. All the best of the Loire Valley by bicycle!

Duration: week
Price: from 650 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Joue les Tours

Arrival in Saint Pierre des Corps-Tours TGV station, located only 1h from Paris by train. Transfer to your charming castle hotel in Joue les Tours on your own, the Chateau de Beaulieu. Dinner included.

Ride to Azay le Rideau

Going first to fantastic gardens at the famous Villandry, you will ride alongside the Cher and Loire Rivers and along the Loire a Velo route. After, continue toward Azay le Rideau and that classic chateau, where you can spend plenty of time to visit the castle and possibly see the sound and light show. This renaissance era castle is considered a classic design and its setting alongside the Indre River is magic. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Chinon

Ride from Azay-le-Rideau to Chinon for a full day of cycling around castles. Your first stop is in Langeais, where the Chateau was the temporary lair of lawless armed bands during the Hundred Years War. Then the ride continues to the Chateau of Usse, a fairytale castle which is reputed to have inspired the story of Sleeping Beauty and a "must" for all Walt Disney's fans. You will then finish by riding to Chinon, house to a few interesting museums, where you can taste some of the local wine, made famous in the writings of Francois Rabelais. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Saumur

Ride from Chinon to Saumur, house of a beautiful castle and delicious wine. You will start your ride to Saumur with a stop at the Abbey of Fontevraud, one of the most beautiful and largest abbeys in Europe. Then as you approach Saumur, you will begin to see the magnificent Chateau overlooking the Loire River and surrounded by endless vineyards. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after a sumptuous breakfast at the hotel. Breakfast is included.
What's included

4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, 2 dinners included (no dinner included with the Basic package), Orientation in person with our local guide, Bikes available for rental, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times

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Loire Chambord to Atlantic

This Loire Valley Cycling Tour covers more ground on a line that follows the Loire River all the way to the Atlantic Coast. Starting in the historical old city of Blois, the route passes numerous chateaux, historical sites, and fascinating towns and cities. The flat-to-rolling terrain is perfect for cycling and is filled with trees and colors.

For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. The cycling will take you to chateaux that are visiting such as Blois, Chaumont, Amboise, Azay le Rideau, Villandry, Chinon, Saumur, Fontevraud, Angers! From there as you near the coast, you stop in Nantes and then the seaside! You will also cycle through some important wine regions and have the chance to explore some well known gardens. All the best of the Loire Valley by bicycle!

Duration: week
Price: from 995 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Blois

Arrive in Blois which is located only 1.5 hours from Paris by train. Your hotel is close to the train station, which allows you to reach your hotel easily and to walk around and discover the royal town and its Chateau. Orientation and bicycle set up in the evening at the hotel. Dinner on your own.

Blois to Amboise

You should start early on this day if you want to take time to visit the castles. Today the ride starts out quiet and the anticipation builds as you approach the forest of Chambord that hides the most famous of the Loire chateaux until the last moment when you come into the clearing and see the site! Coming out from the park of Chambord, you will have the possibility to try some chocolate, visit Bracieux village and/or another famous castles: Cheverny and Chateau of Chaumont sur Loire and its International garden festival. At the end you arrive to the royal village of Amboise. The short option does not go to Cheverny. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Amboise to Chinon

Today you go through the history of France and its different types of castles. Today's ride is mostly on bike lane roads. The first leg of todays ride will take you through the vineyards of Montlouis before reaching Tours. Then you pass nearby the chateau of Villandry with its famous garden and the medieval village of Langeais with its massive medieval castle. At last you can have a look to the sleeping beauty Chateau of Usse before reaching the town where Jeanne of Arc met the King Charles VII: Chinon. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Chinon to Angers

Wine day! Leaving the vineyards of Chinon, you will then go through the vineyards of Saumur, Champigny and finally Anjou at the end of your ride. On your way, you will be able to visit the largest abbey in Europe: Fontevraud, definitely worth a stop! Some of the highlights for today also include the chateau and city of Saumur and the fortress in Angers. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Angers to Nantes

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Riding day with short hills and long distance, so we recommend starting early! The ride today will be very peaceful, along the Loire River, with very little traffic. Your destination or today is Nantes, a very dynamic city which is great for cyclists since they have pushed and developed the use of bikes and bike friendly roads in town. On the way you will discover small and typical French villages with their unique Churches (St Florent le Vieil, Ancenis). Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Nantes to Pornic**

The ride today will take you to the coast of the Atlantic Ocean for your last night! First, you can make a stop to visit the extraordinary artistic project of the MACHINES DE L ILE, a blend of the invented worlds of Jules Verne. Then go through the tiny fishing village of Trentemoult. And the last part of your ride will have you ride on small roads all the way to the Ocean. You will ride along the coast for a few miles before reaching your hotel in Pornic, which offers spa treatments to reward yourself after such a challenging tour! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

Departure after breakfast. You can take a train back to Paris via Nantes or add additional nights! Breakfast included.

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Loire Valley Classic 7 Nights

The valleys of the Loire, Cher and Indre rivers are a harmonious combination of non navigated rivers, rich vineyards and vast forests. Discover the landscapes, unspoiled nature, beautiful gardens and breathtaking castles of the Loire Valley on your bike. The terrain is wonderful for bicycle riding - mostly flat to rolling - and is filled with rivers, trees, and colors. On this 247 km bike tour, you will explore the area between Chambord and Azay le Rideau, and you'll have the opportunity to visit Amboise, Chenonceau and Chambord castles among others. Our selected hotels and the local restaurants will spoil you with regional gastronomic food and local wines. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures pictures from the fairy tales of childhood.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Joue-les-Tours

Arrival in Joue-les-Tours. From Paris, you can take a quick 1-hour train ride to St Pierre des Corps, and then a taxi to your charming 3* Hotel, Chateau de Beaulieu. Orientation at your hotel, dinner included at your chateau tonight. If you arrive early, you can spend free time exploring the old city of Tours. (Dinner is not included in basic version for that night).

Ride To Azay le Rideau

Going first to fantastic gardens at the famous Villandry, you will ride alongside the Cher and Loire Rivers and along the Loire a Velo route. After, continue toward Azay le Rideau and that classic chateau, where you can spend plenty of time to visit the castle and possibly see the sound and light show. This renaissance era castle is considered a classic design and its setting alongside the Indre River is magic. Dinner and breakfast included. (Dinner is not included in basic version for that night).

Azay le Rideau to Luynes

From Azay it is on to more castles, first stop Sleeping Beauty Castle Usse. Then, you continue on to Langeais on a very quiet bike road by the Loire River. You stay nearby to Villandry but across the rivers in Luynes and a castle hotel, dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Vouvray then Amboise

A flat ride to pass around Tours and then into the wine country of the famous appellation Vouvray. About Vouvray wines: Vouvray is the largest white wine appellation of the Anjou-Saumur-Touraine region and it produces splendid wines from the dry and austere to the richest dessert wines, as well as excellent sparkling wines. On to charming Amboise with animation and ambiance; dinner and breakfast included at your hotel.

Loop trip to Chenonceau to explore

A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the...
fabulous Chenonceau castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the XVIth century over the Cher river and improved by Catherine de Medici. The castle hides several pieces of historical interest, furniture and tapestries. Ride back to Amboise for a moderate trip. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride Blois via Chaumont Castle!

Depart from Amboise and ride through many small villages, stopping at privately owned chateaux on the way. For lunch, why not stop at the famous Gardens festival and Chateau of Chaumont for a picnic followed by a visit! Then you will either go on a short and quiet ride to Blois or choose the longer option riding through sunflower fields and deep countryside of the area to visit more chateaux such as Fougeres and Beauregard. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop tour to Chambord

Today, you will again have 2 ride options. The short option takes you to the famous Chambord, where you can enjoy the magnificent architecture and unique features. Then you can enjoy a chocolate tasting in a chocolate factory in a nearby charming village before heading back to Blois with a stop at the Chateau de Villesavin. On the longer option, after Chambord, you will continue south to the Chateaux of Cheverny, Troussay and Beauregard. Those are easy rides on flat terrain, just enjoy the scenery imagining how and why the kings chose this area as their vacation place! Ride distance is 49km Chambord roundtrip, with Cheverny count 63 km. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure from Blois after breakfast, at your leisure. Trains available direct to Paris. Breakfast included.

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Canal du midi, from Moissac to Carcassonne

This trip brings you along the most beautiful sites along the Canal that links the Mediterranean and Atlantic Ocean on safe cycle paths. Take your start from Moissac and its famous convent, a unique treasure of perfectly conserved roman art. Your trip follows the Garonne Canal stopping in the charming cities of Montauban and Toulouse. Toulouse is nicknamed the « Pink City ». You'll be enchanted by its culture and diversity: pedestrian shopping districts, gastronomic restaurants, the Canal du Midi, bars, restaurants everything to fulfill your day and more if you'd like! You continue by riding on the peaceful Canal du Midi to Cathare country and finish in the famous medieval city of Carcassonne, a World Heritage Site. This is without question the most ideal place to finish your trip in beauty!

Duration: week
Price: from 1290 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive at Moissac. Greeting and bike fitting.

We strongly suggest that you take advantage of your afternoon to discover the remarkable sites of Moissac: The Abbey and its famous sculptures. Before the end of the day, our guide will meet with you at your hotel to fit your bikes, explain the material (bike, GPS) and explain your trip.

From Moissac to Montauban

Today you ride along the Garonne Canal to Montech and its water slope, a boat elevator on a lateral canal of the Garonne. Before that don’t forget to visit the Belleperche Abbey and its museum of table arts. To get to Montauban you will need to leave the Garonne Canal and follow the Canal de Montech! Take advantage of your evening to visit the charming city center of Montauban.

The Garonne Canal all the way to Toulouse

Today head south to the regional capital of Toulouse! Along your way and along the canal you must stop at Grenade to visit the ancient bastide and its covered market. Head South to the regional capital of Toulouse! Upon your arrival at the Pink City, discover the Twim Bridges, the intersection between the Garonne Canal and the Canal du Midi, and Brienne Canal.

Rest at Toulouse

Take advantage of this day without cycling to discover all the fascinating aspects of Toulouse.

From Toulouse to Avignonet-Lauragais

You quietly leave the center of town along the shady Canal du Midi to meander the quiet countryside. Join your hotel along the Canal at Avignonet-Lauragais or a little further on at Labastide d’?Anjou.

From Avignonet-Lauragais to Carcassonne
After crossing the Seuil de Naurouze and the obelisk of Riquet, you cross the small town of Castelnaudary, famous for its gastronomy and cassoulet. It’s also the entry into Cathare country and the unbelievable medieval city of Carcassonne, World Heritage Site of UNESCO.

**Departure**

It’s time to leave after a good breakfast. Or, stay a couple nights longer to visit Carcassonne and its region. Continue with our trip along the Canal du Midi all the way to the Mediterranean Sea!

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- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

**What's not included**

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.

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Provence Best Of

Best of Provence - a big title really considering all the great aspects to be found and experienced in this enchanting region of France! This tour is a combination of several of our tours with some longer riding in between in order to give a little bit of different places: Drome Provencale, Vaucluse, Luberon, Alpilles, Gard, and Rhone River areas. Discover some great wines, some amazing historical villages, pass through lavender fields, olive groves, and visit castles and art museums. Place of departure is Avignon from where you have a superb central location to visit all the historical sites of the old city of Avignon. Looping through the charming countryside you finish back in Avignon near the Palais des Papes. Your itineraries are studied with care and patience; they avoid the traffic and look up the highlights. We offer a standard and very deluxe version of hotels, both options are great!

Duration: week
Price: from 995 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon

You can visit Avignon today and take in its many sites. Check in at your charming 4 star hotel in the center of Avignon, later you will have an orientation with an English speaking staff member who will bring bikes, do set up, and go over the route book. Dinner in Avignon on your own; we will provide some excellent recommendations.

Ride to St Paul 3 Chateaux

In the morning, ride through the vineyards of the renowned appellation 'Cotes du Rhone' de Chateauneuf-du-Pape, and then continue on to Serignan du Comtat, then Rochegude before reaching St Paul in the lavender country. Dinner on your own in town. Breakfast included.

Ride to Bedoin

Today the ride is somewhat long but over flat to rolling country and will bring you in the village of Visan, then to Vaison la Romaine, built in the Middle Ages and with original Roman ruins of an ancient Roman village. Then to Bedoin where you will stay at the foot of the imposing Mont Ventoux. If you have the legs and desire, you can climb Mont Ventoux from Bedoin - the classic climb! 21 km to the top and min 2 hours round trip for strong riders. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Gordes

Ride to Gordes (51 km) with an option to ride to Roussillon and back to Gordes (68km). This itinerary will bring you through the village of Fontaine de Vaucluse before climbing to Gordes, your final destination. If you choose to go to Roussillon, you can discover the famous ochre colored soil that is mined and used in pigment to color homes locally and far away. Dinner and Breakfast included.

Ride to St Remy de Provence

Today the itinerary takes you via Coustellet (Lavender museum) and then to melon-town Cavaillon. A short steep walk (or ride) will take you the top of the village of Eygalieres, a panoramic viewpoint
from where you see the Durance River valley, Alpilles mountain range and the rock of Les Baux de Provence. Then finish your ride in St Remy de Provence. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Avignon via Pont du Gard

Straight to Avignon is not so far, but to miss the fantastic site of the Pont du Gard would not be doing the Best Of! So, we take you on a route west of Avignon to see the Pont du Gard. Along the way you pass Graveson and Barbentane where you can visit the Abbey of Saint Michel de Frigolet from the 10th century. Arriving in the afternoon in Avignon center, you can visit Avignon after check in to your hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Depart after breakfast on your own time. TGV trains to Paris or Paris CDG airport depart all day long. Extra nights possible, please inquire. Breakfast included.

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French Pyrenees

The yellow jersey of the Tour de France has often been decided during the climbs of the Pyrenees mountain passes. This mountain chain, a natural border between France and Spain, is a beautiful scenic area with a variety of harsh contrast landscapes. It is a fantastic ski destination in winter and spa/resort destination at all seasons. The mountains are much lower than the Alpes, but just as steep if not steeper at times! You travel from Argelès Gazost at the foot of Col d’Aubisque, Hautacam and Toumalet to Foix via Saint Girons and Luchon.

Duration: week
Price: from 1230 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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## Arrive in Argelès Gazost

You will have an orientation meeting with your hotel host and phone review with our office. We will cover the cycling and route book materials, and help you get started right. Free time is yours to visit this charming spa & resort town. Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Argelès Gazost. Dinner included.

## L'Aubisque & Hautacam

L'Aubisque & Hautacam, from the hotel you don't have far to go before you start up these two famous routes of the Tour. The Aubisque and Soulor average over 7% with a good part over 8%. Returning back you have the option to go on to ride Hautacam. A 13km climb of about 8% brings you up to 1520m (4560 feet), a popular ski resort. Stay in the same hotel in Argelès Gazost. Breakfast, gastronomic dinner and breakfast included.

## Col du Tourmalet

The Col du Tourmalet via Bagneres de Bigorre and up past St Marie de Campan and La Mongie. With a long descent arrive at Luz St Sauveur and return to the hotel in Argeles for a very long day of cycling. Dinner and breakfast included.

## Tourmalet, Aspin & Peyresourdre

Tourmalet, Aspin, Peyresourdre at about 110km and 3300 meters elevation gain, this is a hard day over some classic climbs of the Tour de France. Finish in the charming town of Bagneres de Luchon. The long ascent of the Tourmalet is 18km at 8%! Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Bagnères de Luchon. Breakfast and dinner included.

## Cols Mente & Portet d'Aspet

2 ride options today - longer or shorter. Both options include the Cols Mente and Portet d'Aspet. The hardest points on the climbs go over 12%. Finish in St Girons. Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Saint Girons. Breakfast and dinner included.

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Col de Port & Col des Caougnous

A long and challenging day over some big climbs! Again over 3300 meters in climbing including the Col de Port and Col des Caougnous. A long and short ride option exist again to reach Foix. Once in Foix, you are back to a larger town with more sites and services. Stay in a 3 star hotel in Foix. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast ? on your own; taxi to the Foix train station for connections in Toulouse. Additional days are possible and additional ride days can be arranged. Breakfast included.

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Bordeaux Wine Country

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour centered around the Bordeaux vineyards include some of the most famous names of the area: Saint Emilion, Entre Deux Mers and their many small wine villages throughout the region. You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris, and from there you travel out stress free on excellent paved bike paths. You make your way to the Entre deux Mers region and then to Saint Emilion. The loop tour brings you back to Bordeaux to finish and easily return.

Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and a rich inheritance of walled towns, abbeys, and medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour! While Bordeaux is world famous, a lesser-known part of this region is just waiting to be discovered. In the Gironde, between the Dordogne and Garonne Rivers, less than 13 miles south of Bordeaux lies Entre-Deux-Mers, an area brimming with vineyards.

Duration: week
Price: from 1220 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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### Arrive in Bordeaux

Arrive in Bordeaux - a large city with good rail access and commercial airline flights from several European capitals. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the wine museums and shops for local wines. Orientation in the evening with bike delivery and set up at your hotel. Dinner on your own - many choices.

### From Bordeaux to St Macaire

Start your tour by riding out of Bordeaux stress free on a bicycle path built on a old train way. This easy ride takes you to Creon a charming village then onto the impressive Abbey of Sauve-Majeur. The last part of your ride takes you to St Emilion where you can enjoy a glass of wine from one the most famous wine of the world. Dinner and breakfast included.

### Saint Macaire to near Monsegur

A ride through the Entre Deux Mers region and its vineyards. You will use both bicycle paths and some small country roads on your ride. Numerous small towns and bastides are along the route and each worth exploring. Overnight in a Bacchus (wine theme) B&B property tonight and have a home cooked meal. Dinner and breakfast included.

### St Gemme Loop

Ride through the quiet country roads and vineyards of this widely unknown area. You will ride into the department of the Lot et Garonne! You can see the Chateau des Ducs in Duras, as well as the vineyards of the Cotes de Duras. From there, you cross back into the Gironde department through the Dropt Valley and head back to your B&B via Monsegur where you can stop at the Bastide of Monsegur and imagine this old village closed up at night to protect citizens from bandits in the medieval era. Dinner and breakfast included.

### Ste Gemme to Saint Emilion

A ride to one of the most famous vineyards of the region: Saint Emilion! Discover this World
Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become Saint-Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Saint Emilion Loop

Loop tour around the region to Castillon La Bataille and among the vineyards for a great wine theme day! Or day off to explore the village and taste some local produce! Optional ride - approx 52 km. Your choice to ride and visit, or just take the day off the bike and visit. Wine tastings, shopping, and cultural visits abound in this famous town. It is also rather touristy, but as a cyclist, you can easily and quietly escape. Same hotel, dinner on your own again. Breakfast included.

Ride to Bordeaux

Ride back to Bordeaux through wine country and the charming town of Creon where you pickup the cycle path back to Bordeaux. Dinner out on your own again in Bordeaux, perhaps a celebratory dinner with an excellent bottle of local produce to commemorate your journey! Overnight in Bordeaux. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, trains from Bordeaux to Paris all day long. We can help with added nights, car rentals, or other extensions to your travel. Breakfast included.

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Bordeaux and Dordogne Best of

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour starts in Bordeaux and then moves into the vineyards including the famous name of Saint Emilion on up to Bergerac. You then travel into the Prehistory region of the Dordogne, Les Eyzies and Sarlat. This combination is a 'best of' experience for a week timeframe in Aquitaine - some true highlights! You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris. The trip finishes in Sarlat from where you can take a small train to connect back to the TGV line. Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and the grottos of prehistory. You will pass through some old walled towns, see abbeys, and visit medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour!

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Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
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Ride to Saint Macaire

Ride out of Bordeaux on bike paths all the way to the charming town of Creon, and then continue through wine country all the way to St Emilion. Discover this World Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become St Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Sainte Radegonde

Today you keep cycling east and head towards Ste Radegonde and will pass the St Genes de Castillon, a charming village surrounded by vineyards. Accommodation is in a comfortable 3 star hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Bergerac

From Ste Radegonde you will cycle through the vineyards to Bergerac, located on the Dordogne river, a large town with good rail access and services. This is your gateway into the famous Black Perigord. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the Maison des Vins - for local wines. 3 star hotel included. Dinner out on your own in Bergarac; some suggestions will be included. Breakfast included.

Ride to Tremolat
A ride to one of the most famous vineyards of the region: Saint Emilion! Discover this World Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become Saint-Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Les Eyzies

A lot to see and visit on this day, you have a choice of rides. Starting out easy you come to Audrix a small village by small roads and almost no traffic. Then down to Le Bugue and Gouffre de Proumeyssac, and then on to Les Eyzies - capital of Pre-History! Take time to visit this very charming town and its sites and museums including the Font de Gaume. Font de Gaume is a cave that houses a collection of prehistoric polychrome cave paintings. Prehistoric people living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the mouth of Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The caves most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included, lodging is central charming 3 star.

Ride to Sarlat

Again, a choice of rides to allow you more time to visit. The destination is the very charming town of Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in town tonight; we include suggestions. Breakfast included.

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Brittany Hiking

At the border of Brittany and Normandy in France, the Bay of the Mont Saint Michel shelters one of the jewels of the western Christian art, the iconic Mont Saint Michel. The region around the Mont is mostly flat, at first glance the bay is nothing more than a sandy marsh, covered by the sea depending on the tide. Originally this Mount was just a huge rock on which the church builders used the most imaginative techniques to erect what is now a masterpiece listed by the UNESCO amongst the ten monuments in the world to be protected. You will start in the beautiful seaside city of St Malo and begin a walk along the coast with the Mont constantly in view. Your anticipation will be heightened the closer you get, and along the way you will be charmed by the quiet beauty, the original flora, the thousands of birds that nest or fly through the bay.

Duration: week
Price: from 790 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

*Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.*

**Arrive in St Malo**

Arriving in the wine capital, the city of Beaune, you have a little time to explore this city and some of its treasures including the Hotel Dieu (hospices) before or after your arrival orientation in the evening. Dinner on your own in town, and free time to visit. Night in centrally located 3 star hotel with large rooms.

**St Malo to Cancale**

Our driver will transfer you to La Guimorais, from where you will pick up the GR34 trail. You will walk along the Emerald Coast up to La Pointe du Grouin, where you will have a stunning viewpoint on the ocean. On a clear day, you can even see the outline of the Mont Saint Michel! Your destination today is Cancale, a picturesque fishing village famous for its oysters. History has it that Louis XIV had his oysters brought to Versailles from Cancale. Centuries later, the farming of oysters is still a major activity in the port and there are oyster beds covering about 7.3 square kilometres easily seen from the pier at the harbour. You’ll stay in a lovely 3* hotel. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Cancale to Le Mont St Michel**

Today, you will walk to the Mont Saint Michel. Our driver will transfer you to Cherrueix, where you will pick up the GR 34 trail that will take you to the Mont Saint Michel. You will walk through the polders and along the Bay of the Mont St Michel. You spend the night in a 3* hotel located on the Mont Saint Michel itself! Dinner on your own and breakfast included. To visit Mont Saint Michel: The Abbaye: once a humble little monastery, the island and its fortifications have effectively grown up around this. During the French Revolution, the abbey was used a prison, and an extensive restoration was required to restore it. A few prison-era showpieces, like the human hamster wheel used to lift supplies in and out of the complex, have been kept. Porte de l’Avanc?e, the main gate at the end of the causeway, which leads straight to the Grande Rue The ramparts, which offer great views of the mudflats Museum of History, which features old collections (weapons, paintings, sculptures, watches), prisons and dungeons, the 19th century periscope which reveals the bay. The archeoscope, a show to discover the construction of this fabulous monument and its sacred history. Maritime museum, where you can discover the tides, the bay and the massive building site to restore the maritime character of the Mont Saint-Michel.

**Loop around Mont St Michel**
You have two options today. You can either take the whole day to visit the Mont Saint Michel, or you can go walk around the Mont. If you choose to walk, today's itinerary will take you to east coast of the Mont Saint Michel along the GR 223. Return to your hotel on the Mont. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure**

After breakfast, you can take your time with breakfast and catch a bus that will bring you back to Rennes, from where you can catch a TGV to Paris. You have a bus at 9:30am that will allow you to catch an 11:05am train to Paris. Breakfast included.

**What’s included**

- 4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 2 dinners included
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- All luggage transfers
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**What's not included**

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.

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Brittany to Mont-Saint-Michel

One of France’s most rugged regions, Brittany is a fascinating mix of spectacular coastline, ancient towns, magical islands and inland woods. A Celtic duchy for more than one thousand years before its annexation to France in 1532, it is a land rich in culture, tradition and history.

This cycling tour starts in Saint Malo and will lead you to the Mont Saint Michel, site of the spectacular and well-preserved Norman Benedictine Abbey of St Michel at the peak of the rocky island, surrounded by the winding streets and convoluted architecture of the medieval town.

The coastal region includes a line of fine sandy beaches interspersed with rocks, reefs, granite headlands and sheer cliffs which are dappled pink and gray in the sun. Brittany is famous for a rich cultural heritage and its architecture: castles, feudal fortresses, and abbeys which are open to visit.

In Brittany, there is a saying that it is sunny many times per day! Yes, it can rain, but often not sustained. Bring a rain jacket, but don’t miss unique and beautiful Brittany!

Duration: week
Price: from 930 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in St Malo

The town is easily accessible from Paris by TGV. You stay in a beautiful 3* hotel in the center of Saint Malo. Orientation at 6pm and dinner on your own. To visit in Saint Malo: The walled city (La Ville Intra-Muros); The chateau of Saint-Malo with The Solidor tower of Saint-Servan. Dinner on your own.

St Malo to Cancale

For your first riding day, you'll cycle along the Emerald Coast up to La Pointe du Grouin, where you will have a stunning viewpoint on the ocean. On a clear day, you can even see the outline of the Mont Saint Michel! Your destination today is Cancale, a picturesque fishing village famous for its oysters. History has it that Louis XIV had his oysters brought to Versailles from Cancale. Centuries later, the farming of oysters is still a major activity in the port and there are oyster beds covering about 7.3 square kilometres easily seen from the pier at the harbour. You'll stay in a lovely 3* hotel. Dinner and breakfast included.

Cancale to Le Mont St Michel

Today, you will cycle to the Mont Saint Michel. Before reaching the Mont, you will stop at the charming town St Benoit des Ondes, a fisherman village which name comes from a benedict priory linked to the Saint Benoit du Blanc Essay monastery. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Mont Saint Michel loop or rest day

You have two options today. You can either take the whole day to visit the Mont Saint Michel, or you can go cycle around the Mont. If you choose to ride, today's itinerary will take you to the Mont Saint Michel's bay. Return to your hotel on the Mont. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure

You can take your time with breakfast and catch a bus that will bring you back to Rennes, from where you can catch a TGV to Paris. You have a bus at 9:30am that will allow you to catch a
What's included

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What's not included

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Bikes available on this tour

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- Odometer
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- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Brittany to Normandy

In Normandy, an "artist's paradise," wonderful coastline, woodlands and countryside combine to make a fabulous bicycle vacation. Of course, Normandy is also well known for the WWII landing beaches used by the Allied armies. There is much to see and remember here of that time. This region of France is also renowned for its dairy products, and the gastronomical delights won't disappoint. In addition to its cider and Calvados, Normandy produces the famous Camembert cheese. You're certain to enjoy this countryside as you bicycle through the green pastures and seaside towns, discovering the history that has made this area so famous.

Duration: week
Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in St Malo

Arrive in Saint Malo. The town is easily accessible from Paris by TGV. You stay in a beautiful 3* hotel in the center of Saint Malo. Orientation in the evening and dinner on your own. To visit in Saint Malo: The walled city (La Ville Intra-Muros); The chateau of Saint-Malo with The Solidor tower of Saint-Servan.

St Malo to Mont St Michel

Cycle from Saint Malo in the direction of Cancale where you reach the coast after Cancale and can see all the oyster farms that make Cancale famous. You ride through the fisherman village of St Benoit des Ondes, as well as the Mont Dol, from where there is a beautiful view. On a clear day from here you can also start to see the Mont St Michel - Unesco World Heritage site and architectural marvel. Upon reaching this historical site, you have a 4 star hotel waiting to take you in. Leave time to explore the Mont and walk its tiny streets! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride along Coast to Granville

A good part of this ride is coastal with a trip around the Bay of Mont St Michel to Avranches where there are several worthwhile stops in this town that dates to the Roman era. Continue on the coast to Granville and a nice 3 star hotel overlooking the beach. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Granville to St Lo

The tour turns inland today to cut across Normandy to reach the beaches of D-Day. You will stop today at St Lo. Along the way you will pass the town of Coutances where you must stop to visit the Cathedral of Coutances, which is visible for many kilometers as it stands 80 meters (295 ft). At St Lo you have a very charming 3 star chateau hotel with dinner on your own. In St Lo you will find a virtually newly rebuilt city. The town near totally destroyed during the Battle of Normandy as St Lo lies on an important crossroads and was a regional German stronghold. The city is however rich in history and war has been part of the long history of St Lo. Breakfast included.

St Mere Eglise/St Marie du Mont
This ride is mostly a flat to rolling ride coming up to the coast of Normandy where the D-Day landings took place. St Mere Eglise is an old settlement dating to the 12th century but is most famous for its role in the allied invasion of Normandy. Paratroopers famously landed here and fought some decisive battles that made this town the first, or among the first liberated. The movie The Longest Day depicts many events in St Mere Eglise. Your hotel is nearby in the town of St Marie du Mont. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop Ride to Utah beach

A loop tour from your hotel will first focus on the Utah Beach landings close to your hotel, then move north toward the point on the coast at St Vaast. Return inland or by the same route; you can ride more or less today or take more time to visit in St Mere Eglise. Same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Ride Bayeux via Point du Hoc

A slightly long route, you need to leave early to leave time for the important stops today. We suggest you cycle all the way to Point du Hoc, immortalized in The Longest Day, and then leave more time for the most famous WWII sites in the area: Colleville-sur-Mer and Omaha beach. In Colleville take some time to visit the US Military cemetery, (172.5 acres). Continue to Bayeux and your excellent 3 star hotel, dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, at your leisure. Breakfast included.

What's included

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What's not included

Airfare to and from the trip, Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental. Lodging before and after the trip, Drinks, Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Burgundy Hiking

This Hiking tour of Burgundy is the perfect combination of Bourgogne’s most important treasured assets: wine, cuisine, and heritage. You will walk along your tour through vines south to the vineyards of Cotes de Nuit. Tiny villages, manor farms, and millhouses, exquisite parish churches are the rural ambiance among the vines. The hiking starts in Dijon which is easily accessible from Paris. Following the Burgundy Wine Route or "Route du Vin," famous since the Galloroman era, the trails run through the heart of Gevrey-Chambertin, Clos Vougeot, and finishes in Beaune.

 duration: week
 price: from 720 EUR
 level: Active
 activity: hiking
 date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Dijon

Arrival in Dijon. This city has easy access by train from Paris. You can explore the old city, the beautiful palace of the dukes of Burgundy in which is housed the Art museum. You can also see the Ste Benigne's cathedral. Your hotel is conveniently located in the center of the city. Orientation by phone in the evening and dinner on your own.

Dijon to Gevrey Chambertin

You continue exploring Dijon in the morning and then transfer by taxi at 9:30am to start hiking to Gevrey Chambertin. You will enter the vineyards of Cotes de Nuits and check out the wine, the village is the only one that produces rose wine! Pass the oldest church of the region before arriving at Gevrey-Chambertin. In the village, there is an interesting 10th century castle with an old vaulted wine cellar. Night in 3 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Gevrey Chambertin to Nuits St Georges

Pick up the GR7 trail and hike to Nuits Saint George, genuine "Place Vendome" of Côte de Nuits with its picturesque streets around the belfry. You will walk through the Forest of Mantua and the Combe Ambin. On your way, you will see the remains from the Abbaye de Saint Vivant and the Château de Vergy, which was believed to be impregnable. You stay in a beautiful 3* B&B; dinner on your own nearby; we provide suggestions. Breakfast included.

Loop around Nuits St Georges

A loop tour around Nuits Saint Georges on the "Route des Grands Crus" to discover several wine villages of the Cote de Nuits vineyards, such as Chambolle-Musigny, Vougeot or Vosne Romanee among others. Vosne Romanee, together with Chambolle-Musigny and Gevrey-Chambertin produces the region's best red wines. In Chambolle Musigny, take some time to visit the church Ste Barbe from the 15th century and its solar clock. Return to same B&B lodging and dinner on your own again. Breakfast included.

Nuits St Georges to Beaune
A taxi will transfer you in the morning at 9:30am to Arcenant, from where you will catch the GR76 to Beaune, famous for its hospices. Today's itinerary will take you to the famous wine villages of Savigny les Beaune and Aloxe Corton. Overnight in a 3* hotel in Beaune and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Additional nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

What's included

5 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, Orientation by telephone, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times

What's not included

Airfare to and from the trip, Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental, Lodging before and after the trip, Drinks, Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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Burgundy Gastronomy & Wine

This cycling tour is the perfect combination of Burgundy's most important treasured assets: wine and cuisine - or more artfully referred to as Gastronomy! Starting in Dijon, a beautiful city with sites, history, and gateway to wine country, you will make your way across the vineyards of the most famous vignobles. As great wine requires great cooking, you will have many gastronomical experiences in the restaurants we include, but you can also venture out on your own to explore the many excellent choices available in both Dijon and Beaune. The cycling is moderate and is the perfect way to enhance your appetite for the best of Burgundy! This tour is a deluxe program of luxury for those interested in the best of the best!

Bicycle touring in the wine country of Burgundy is one of the most rewarding means of discovering the wine of the internationally renowned Burgundy name.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Dijon**

Arriving in Dijon, you will go to the centrally located hotel to receive your documentation and bikes for orientation in the evening. You can explore the town with your free time before and after. Night in 5-star hotel and dinner out on your own in Dijon.

**Loop around Dijon**

Riding today will take you out into the countryside of Dijon to get warmed up and to visit some of the nearby vineyards and sites including the Burgundy canal. Return to Dijon and your 5-star hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Dijon to Vougeot**

You ride into the Cotes de Nuit wine country today passing some of the most famous names in Burgundy wine such as Chambolle-Musigny, Gevrey Chambertin and Vougeot. Visit Château du Clos Vougeot and stay in your charming hotel with a gourmet dinner tonight. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Loop around Vougeot**

Loop ride day from Vougeot. Discover the Burgundy countryside and more vineyards of Hautes Cotes de Nuits at your own pace; as we propose 3 different cycling options. This area is the center for the region's Grands Crus. Mainly reputed for its red wines, it also produces a select few whites. Visit more vignobles and taste some of the produce at your leisure. Return to your same hotel and another gastronomic dinner. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Vougeot to Beaune**

Leaving your hotel you will pass through the lower vineyard area of Cotes de Nuits and into Beaune, the wine capital of the region. Leave plenty of time to explore Beaune and its many sites including the famous Hotel Dieu, and its many wine caves. You have a deluxe hotel in the town center tonight. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Loop around Beaune

A ride from Beaune to the south and the Cotes de Beaunes vineyard area. You will be able to visit Meursault, Puligny-Montrachet, Chagny, Pommard, Santenay and then back to Beaune. You will find many opportunities to taste and purchase; or when you return to Beaune you can taste some of the appellations you visited by bike today! Breakfast included. Dinner on your own.

Departure Day

Departure at your leisure after breakfast. Additional visits and stays can be arranged as well as trains back to Paris with hotel. Breakfast included.

What's included

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What's not included

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- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
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California Wine Tour

From San Francisco, we'll shuttle you to the heart of Northern California and introduce you to our favorite towns for wine tasting, cycling and sightseeing on this California adventure. Visit Healdsburg, Guerneville and Bodega Bay on this unique trip that features cycling through some of the greatest wine regions in the world followed by a fun ride through Redwood forests and eventually a ride along the California coast. Starting in Healdsburg, your journey will take you into the Dry Creek valley to taste the local wines on quiet back country roads. Enjoy awe inspiring scenery as you cruise through dense Redwood forests and finally to the coast. Finish in Bodega Bay and enjoy fresh seafood in this classic coastal town on the rugged coast of California.

Duration: week
Price: from 1915 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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San Francisco to Healdsburg

Your California adventure will start in downtown San Francisco. We'll meet you and transfer about 1.5 hours into the heart of Northern California wine country. Our first stop is Graton where we'll have an orientation meeting and bike fitting. You'll enjoy small country bike paths and vineyard lined roads as you discover this cyclists' paradise. Your destination is the vibrant wine town of Healdsburg, on the edge of the Alexander Valley. The area is not only stunning physically, but there are an array of small, family owned vineyards mixed in amongst some of the world's most prestigious wineries. As you arrive in Healdsburg, you'll be charmed by this quintessential wine town. You should arrive in time to enjoy a stroll around town and through the town's downtown plaza, lined with antique stores, wine shops and great restaurants.

A Loop ride from Healdsburg into the Dry Creek Valley

Today's ride is a California Wine Country classic. Leaving Healdsburg you are quickly on back country roads. The views East to the Macamayas Mountains provide a great backdrop as you pedal. Before long you are headed into the Dry Creek Valley and its beautiful wineries. Purchase picnic supplies at the Dry Creek General Store before drifting off into the afternoon to scout out your picnic spot. A brilliant day on the bike followed by some wine tastings and dinner in town.

Healdsburg to Guerneville

Another stellar day on the bikes is on the agenda for you today as you will make your way West to Guerneville. Begin with a cruise through the Dry Creek Valley and then enjoy a change of scenery and temperature when you enter the great redwood forests that hide the coast. Follow the Russian River as it winds its way West towards the coast. Your stop for the night is Guerneville, a quirky town with a logging town history dating back to the 19th Century. Perched on the sandy banks of the river, Guerneville is a perfect place to spend a relaxing evening post bike ride. Enjoy dinner in town.

Loop ride from Guerneville - Bike, Hike, Canoe or Horseback

Take your pick for today's activities. Only 3 miles North lies the stunning Armstrong Redwoods State Reserve where you'll see the ancient Redwoods and stroll through the groves. You can choose from a myriad of activities today. Go for a hike or horseback ride through the redwoods up to the meadows of Austin Creek State Park. Or if you prefer, take a kayak down the calm Russian River.
that goes on for miles to the sea. After a full day of adventure, return to your hotel in Guerneville and enjoy dinner in town. Contact us to arrange extra activities.

Guerneville to Bodega Bay

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Bodega Bay to San Francisco

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What's included

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California Wine Tour 7 Nights

Slightly longer than our 5 night tour, this 7 night trip includes visits first to Yountville then the spa town of Calistoga. Enjoy some of the nicest cycling routes we have ever encountered, all while indulging in the local cabernet wines and farm to table cuisine. Pedal through fertile wine valleys, and into thousand-year-old redwood forests and finally along the ruggedly beautiful Pacific coast. With California’s fantastic weather and quiet country lanes and you will soon see why this area is a cyclist’s paradise. Visit the Dry Creek valley near Healdsburg and then finish on the coast as you cruise from the seaside town of Jenner to the small port town of Bodega Bay. Great scenery, world-class wines and seafood on the coast make this a cycling trip to remember.

Duration: week
Price: from 2350 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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**Transfer from San Francisco to Yountville, then ride to Calistoga**

We'll meet you in downtown San Francisco and then shuttle you to the quaint town Yountville, about a 1.5 hour drive. In Yountville we'll do our bike fitting and orientation meeting before sending you off for a great pedal to Calistoga. Enjoy a relaxing meander along the flat-to-gently rolling roads of the Napa Valley. With the easy terrain and numerous wineries to stop in at, this route provides a gentle introduction to the week's riding. Arriving in Calistoga in the afternoon you'll have time to stroll through town after checking in at your bed & breakfast. If a full day of biking tomorrow is not your thing, perhaps a hot mud bath or massage in one of the local day spas might interest you. Calistoga lies atop ancient reservoirs that supply the town's numerous hot springs. Dinner tonight is on your own in town at one of the many excellent restaurants. Ask your guides to tell you about their favorites.

**Calistoga Loop ride**

A couple of options for great rides are available today. We suggest heading down the road to the well-known town of St. Helena. Here you'll find a number of great places to either eat lunch indoors, or you might want to purchase some picnic supplies at the Dean & Deluca before riding up to the Rutherford winery for a great lunch over-looking the valley. Spend the afternoon riding among the wineries on the Silverado Trail as you make your way back up to Calistoga. For a relaxing spa day, simply walk into town for a choice of excellent mud bath and spa treatment options. Walkers too can take advantage of the great location to explore the nearby parks such as Bothe-Napa State park or the hills of Mt. St. Helena. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Calistoga to Healdsburg**

A fun ride with some hills is in store today, but we'll provide a lift in the morning for those who are looking for a more relaxing ride. As you leave Calistoga behind this morning you'll travel on small, wooded roads into remote farmland. There are great opportunities today to visit some small and unknown yet remarkable wineries. Most are open for walk-in tastings so you can travel at your own pace. Before long you'll be gliding into the Alexander Valley with over 70 wineries within a quick ride. As you arrive in Healdsburg, you'll be charmed by this quintessential wine town. You should arrive in time to enjoy a stroll around town and through the town's downtown plaza, lined with antique stores, wine shops and great restaurants. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
**Loop ride from Healdsburg into the Dry Creek Valley**

Today's ride is a California Wine Country classic. Leaving Healdsburg you are quickly on back country roads. The views East to the Macamayas Mountains provide a great backdrop as you pedal. Before long you're headed into the Dry Creek Valley and it's beautiful wineries. Purchase picnic supplies at the Dry Creek General Store before drifting off into the afternoon to scout out your picnic spot. A brilliant day on the bike followed by some wine tastings and dinner in town. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Healdsburg to Guerneville**

Another stellar day on the bikes is on the agenda for you today as you will make your way West to Guerneville. Begin with a cruise through the Dry Creek Valley and then enjoy a change of scenery and temperature when you enter the great redwood forests that hide the coast. Follow the Russian River as it winds its way West towards the coast. Your stop for the night is Guerneville, a quirky town with a logging town history dating back to the 19th Century. Perched on the sandy banks of the river, Guerneville is a perfect place to spend a relaxing evening post bike ride. Enjoy dinner in town.

**Loop ride from Guerneville - Bike, Hike, Canoe or Horseback**

Take your pick for today's activities. Only 3 miles North lies the stunning Armstrong Redwoods State Reserve where you'll see the ancient Redwoods and stroll through the groves. You can choose from a myriad of activities today. Go for a hike or horseback ride through the redwoods up to the meadows of Austin Creek State Park. Or if you prefer, take a kayak down the calm Russian River that goes on for miles to the sea. After a full day of adventure, return to your hotel in Guerneville and enjoy dinner in town. Contact us to arrange extra activities.

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Catalonia Mountains to Sea 5 Nights

From Olot area surrounded by mountains and volcanoes to the seaside in San Feliu de Guixols, you will discover on this trip the most beautiful and varied landscapes of Catalonia. Luxuriant green valleys, rivers, fields of sunflowers, vineyards, olive groves, coastal paths and unspoilt beaches not forgetting the medieval city of Girona this cycling tour captures the breathtaking beauty of this area.

**Duration:** week  
**Price:** from 1090 EUR  
**Level:** Casual  
**Activity:** biking  
**Date:** Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrival Day**

We meet you at Girona Airport or train Station and take you to the mountain town of Olot where you will have a personalized orientation and bike fitting at your hotel. Dinner included.

**Loop around Olot**

Today you will explore the Garrotxa region around Olot, famous for its volcanic landscape. There is also a very good museum dedicated to the subject in Olot which is worth exploring. The Garrotxa's Volcanic Zone is the best example of volcanic terrain on the Iberian Peninsula. It has 40 volcanic cones and more than 20 lava flows. The mountain landscape, the sun and climate provide a variety of vegetation, often exuberant, with holm oaks, common oaks and beech trees of exceptional value to the landscape. An easier option takes you to Santa Pau before returning for your second night in Olot. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Olot to Girona**

From Olot (at 440m above sea level) the Carrilet Greenway is markedly downhill to Girona (at 70m) so you will Girona through the verdant countryside with very little effort! This route crosses through magnificent scenery of cultural value. It begins in the Garrotxa volcanic area and reaches the Ter valley and on to the pasturelands of Salt and Girona. Tonight you will stay in Girona where you will discover the old town (the Jewish Quarter) of Girona next to the magnificent Gothic Cathedral. Do not forget the tapas in the numerous bars and restaurants in Girona! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Rest day or loop around Girona**

Today you can choose to stay and visit the nice city of Girona and make some shopping or ride in the charming villages in the countryside around the city. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Girona to San Feliu de Guixols**

Following the cycle path, a converted railway line called 'ElCarrilet', this ride brings you to the...
Mediterranean Coast. You will arrive in Sant Feliu with its wonderful seaport and old monastery. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

After breakfast we will transfer you back to Girona train station at 9:30am. Breakfast included

**What's included**

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Catalonia Culture & Heritage

This trip will give you a global view of this interesting and unique region of Catalonia, the Emporda. It has an atmosphere which is unlike any other in the region. During your trip, you can discover the works and life of the famous artist Salvador Dali as you ride by Figueres and Pubol, which are 2 of the cities in the Salvador Dali Triangle. You can also take advantage of the famous beaches on the Costa Brava and admire one of the most beautiful medieval villages Baix d'Emporda. But don’t forget the food and wine! The locals prepare the best from its surroundings, taking advantage of the sea, the mountains, and the nearby fertile plains to eat very well.

Duration: week
Price: from 1120 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Figueres

Arrive in Figueres where an English speaking team member will meet you in your hotel to give you your personalized tour orientation and bike setup. Dinner on your own.

L'Aubisque & Hautacam

For your first day on the bike, you have several distances to choose from. You can choose a short ride, to see the Dali Museum if you missed it yesterday. Or you can ride along the vineyards around the village of Peralada, which is famous for its wine Castillo Perelada and has continually been produced here since the middle ages. You'll then continue to Castello d'Empuries, the capital of Emporda. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

<p>Castello d'Empuries to Torroella de Montgri</p>

Today you will continue to ride on flat terrain, where certain sections are reserved exclusively for bikes and were made for the Pirinexus route, some of which is riding on the Sirvent Canal. After the canal, you will ride through agricultural areas, where the route is mostly paved until you get to San Marti d'Empuries with its beaches with fine sand. This area was strategic for the Greeks in the 6 century BC, which chose it as their port to dock at. You can discover this magnificent port which has some of the most interesting Antiquity engineering on the Iberian Peninsula. Now it is time to continue on l'Escala and the archeological sites of Empuries, Bellcaire, and then Castello d'Empuries following the Montgri mountain range. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Torroella de Montgri

Today we have planned a flat loop tour around the plains to the ?Gola? on the mouth of the Ter River. We suggest a circular route on plains until the mouth?s river, to see the magnificent ?Gola? of the Ter River, where the river finishes into the Mediterranean Sea with its wetlands in the Baix Ter. You will then ride to l'Estartit, a fishing arts and crafts village, which has converted into an important tourist centre with a wide range of services and facilities. Its main attraction is the ?Illes Medes? which have been declared a natural coast reserve. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Torroella de Montgri to Madremanya

From Torroella, you will ride up the Ter River through on a cycle path to Pubol. The castle in this village was bought by Salvador Dali for his wife Gala. The Gala Dalí Castle in Púbol, open to the public since 1996, allows visitors to discover a medieval building in which Salvador Dalí modified with his mind on only one person, Gala. The paintings, sculptures, and its library show an exuberant creative effort. After your visit, you will join the charming village of Madremanya? a haven of peace and tranquility! Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Madremanya

For your last ride we suggest a loop for discovering some of the most beautiful medieval villages in the Baix d’Emporda. Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

We will transfer you back to Girona train station at 9:30am. According to your program, we can arrange accommodations and transportation. Breakfast included.

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Elbe River Trail 7 Nights
This superb trail leads you along one of the largest European rivers, the Elbe (total length 360 km), and through two countries, the Czech Republic and Germany. Starting in Prague, close to the river's source amongst the mighty Krkonose Mountains, you'll enjoy one of our most leisurely routes. Go zoom downhill and comfortably pedal on roads that are mostly straight. Like the majority of our cycling routes following water courses, this path offers beautiful views of the river and the surroundings. One very special highlight is the confluence of the Elbe with the Vltava River in beautiful Melnik, Czech Republic. Along the route, there are also many interesting monuments in the towns and villages that have historical centers protected to preserve their historical charm, such as in Vrchlabi, Jaromer, Hradec Kralove, Pardubice, Kolin, Podebrady and Stara Boleslav. In addition, there are a host of chateaux and castles you may choose to visit. For sure, you'll not want to miss the stunning palaces at Kuks, Vrchlabi, Kuneticka Hora, Melnik, Libechov and Decin before pushing through to the spa town of Bad Schandau and finishing your extraordinary adventure in Dresden.

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival in Prague

Prague is the "city of a thousand spires". The Charles Bridge, the Old Town square and Prague Castle are all great places to visit. The Prague Castle is the largest castle complex in Europe and shouldn't be missed.

Ride from Prague to Melnik

You will be met by your tour guide who will explain how the tour works with the Road Book, GPS, hotel vouchers, emergency assistance, and answer any questions that you may have. After setting up your bike so that you can ride comfortably and efficiently, you'll have a short transfer to the outskirts of Prague where you will start your cycling. The start of the tour sees Prague left behind as you cycle along the Vltava River, the longest in the Czech Republic. After passing the castles of Troja and Nelahozeves, the landscape will slowly change to having more vineyards. Once in Melnik, which is the center of the Bohemian wine growing region, it is worth tasting some wine in one of the many cellars. Melnik's renaissance palace looks out over the confluence of the Vltava with the Labe, offering a nice place to relax and take a few photos.

Ride from Melnik to Litomerice

Today's ride takes you from Melnik through Roudnice nad Labem, and Libechov, which has an incredible palace and garden. The next stop is in Terezin, which was a transit camp and ghetto that was used for Jewish and other Nazi prisoners during WWII. In this fortress town a memorial is maintained as a monument to the memory of the people who passed through. From here it is a short ride to Litomerice, which contains superb architecture and is the main town of the region.

Ride from Litomerice to Decin

As you cycle along the river valley, be sure to look out for the ruins of Strekov Castle high above the river, and then continue on to the town of Usti nad Labem. Today's route finishes in Decin, which is at the border with the sandstone rock outcrops of the Bohemian Switzerland area.

Loop ride from Decin to Hrensko with a hike to the Pravcicka Brana stone arch
Today’s ride goes through the interesting landscape of the Bohemian Switzerland area to Hrensko. Here you will cross the river for a walking trip to see the Pravcicka Brana which is the largest natural stone arch on the European continent. It’s the symbol of Saxon Switzerland National Park.

From Decin to Bad Schandau

Today’s ride, rather easy in length, continues through the unique landscape of the Bohemian Switzerland to the German border, then continuing on to Bad Schandau. You’ll be riding through forested river valleys that have been carved over millions of years by the Elbe, leaving intricate formations in the sandstone. Once you cross the border, this same Bohemian area changes its name to Saxon once in Germany. A hilly ride but can be modified to be shorter cutting out hills. Dinner on your own.

From Bad Schandau to Dresden

Continue through the sandstone formations of Saxon Switzerland. As you journey along the Elbe river valley you will pass the impressive Bastei fortification high above the town of Rathen. You’ll finish by cycling through peaceful meadows and precious wetlands on the way to Dresden, rounding off this tour perfectly.

Departure day

Sightseeing is recommended in Dresden after your breakfast. No visitor to Dresden should miss the Zwinger Pavilion, The Frauenkirche Church, the Semper Opera House, and the Royal Palace. Depending to your program and schedule, we can arrange accommodations and transportations before or after your tour.

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Passau to Vienna 7 Nights

Loved by many, this is the most famous cycling trail in Europe. The route is smooth, easy, and stunningly beautiful. Ride through pretty Austrian towns providing excellent services for cyclists along the Danube river. From Passau, at the confluence of the rivers Danube, Inn and Ilz, you will ride right along the Danube, in a deep river valley with castles and churches perched overlooking the river. See the romantic river meanders near the town of Schlogen, and the vineyards, meadows, and orchards of the Wachau wine region. Continue through small towns with rich cultural heritage: Melk with its beautiful monastery, Grein, and Krems on to the graceful city of Vienna.

Duration: week
Price: from 1250 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Arrive in Passau, the ?City of three rivers? in Deutschland

Arrive at the starting point of this tour Passau, with its impressive cathedral housing the biggest church organ of the world. Dinner on your own.

Passau to Schlogen

Your cycle tour will begin by a beautiful ride along a densely-wooded, granite river valley, through the Sauwald to Schlogen where the hard, impermeable granite rock forces the Danube to flow back on itself, an incredible natural feature. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Schlogen to Linz

Today the route brings you along the immense Danube river valley between Schlogen and Linz. After a stop at the Wilhering monastery, with its particularly beautiful church, you continue on to the town of Linz. Linz has a host of museums and churches including the Church of St. Martin, which is the oldest church in Austria to have survived in its original form. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Linz to Grein

The first stop on the route is Enns, once a Roman settlement called Lauriocum and one of the oldest towns in Austria. The tower in Enns, built in 1565-68 is a masterpiece of Renaissance design. Another stop along the way is the riverside town of Mauthausen lesser known as the site of a terrible concentration camp in WWII. The rest of the route brings you through the meadow landscapes of the Machland river plain to the beginning of the Strudengau river valley. On the way you will pass through the towns of Wallsee and Ardagger, finally arriving at the town of Grein. Grein, on the banks of the Danube, has a 15th century castle. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Grein to Melk

Between Linz and Melk you will be cycling through the beautiful landscape of the Studengau, a narrow section of the Danube. Today you'll take a peaceful, romantic ride through the countryside.
along the Danube, passing though tiny Austrian villages. After the village of Marbach, you will pass the Maria Taferl, a centuries old pilgrimage destination perched on a rugged hilltop. As you cycle on to Melk you will begin to encounter the historical landscape of Nibelungengau. Then it is on to Melk with its famous Benedictine Monastery and spectacular church. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Melk to Tulln**

The route follows the Danube through the beautiful, UNESCO protected Wachau wine region with its many vineyards and orchards. Along the way is Durnstein, a very picturesque town with narrow streets, busy squares and charming shops. Next comes the historic town of Krems with its 17th century town hall and many beautiful churches. After Krems you cross the Danube and get a superb view of the town. Then you bike through Traismauer, past the Gottweg monastery, to the town of Tulln. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Tulln to Vienna**

This final, short stage brings you through the Wienerwald forest to Klosterneuburg with its Augustine Church, from 1108. The destination, Vienna is a vibrant, beautiful city with many things to do including seeing the cathedral and the amazingly designed Hundertwasser House, designed by Friedensreich Hundertwasser in 1985. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure day**

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- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip
What's not included

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Vienna to Prague 7 Nights

This self-guided bicycle tour from Vienna to Prague offers an ideal balance between recreational cycling and historical sightseeing. The cycling days are relatively relaxed, and travel through the Lednice-Valtice Area, Telc, and Cesky Krumlov; all of which are UNESCO World Heritage Sites. For much of your route, you will hug the Czech side of the Czech / Austrian border. This area was taken away from Czechoslovakia before WWII under the Munich Accords. After the war this whole region was cut off from the outside world for 40 years behind the Iron Curtain, the remnants of which you will encounter in several places. Also along the way, you will see medieval castles and chateaux, row upon row of vineyards and wine cellars, pristine rustic villages and Baroque towns; all there to remind you of the great wealth this region once boasted. Despite the great improvement in the fortunes of the local people and the development of services since 1989, the entire region still retains the aura of mystery to it. Add to that the brewing of some of the best beer in the world and safe back roads with good surfaces and you have all the ingredients for an unforgettable tour!

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Vienna to Valtice

We recommend that you spend a few days in Vienna before your tour. From Vienna, transfer on your own by train from Vienna to Breclav. In the Breclav train station, you will meet your guide, who will drive you to your hotel in Valtice and give you your tour orientation. You will receive all necessary information, have your questions answered, and have your bike set up so that you can be comfortable and efficient while riding. Overnight in Valtice.

Ride to Mikulov

Shorter Version: Valtice - Lednice - Mikulov You will start your biking trip in Lednice-Valtice area which is your first UNESCO World Heritage Site on this trip. Also known as the «Garden of Europe», you will ride on forest and field trails to see the two magnificent chateaux that grace the area. Keep an eye out along the way to see numerous ‘follies’, which are romantic structures built primarily for decoration into the surrounding landscape. A paved road with little traffic then leads you to Mikulov with its imposing castle, historic square, the tomb of the noble Dietrichstein family, as well as the synagogue and Jewish cemetery, where the oldest tombstone dates back to 1605.Longer Version: Valtice to Lednice to Dolni Vestonice to MikulovSame as above, except that upon exiting the Lednice-Valtrice Heritage site, you will ride to Dolni Vestonicne. Dolni Vestonicne is famous for its ice age archeological sites where mammoth hunters left many artifacts, including one of the oldest ceramic statues, the Venus of Dolni Vestonice. Then continue on to Mikulov cycling downhill through the vineyards with a wonderful view of the castle.

Mikulov to Znojmo to Vranov nad Dyji

Shorter VersionIn the morning you will be transferred by car from Mikulov to Znojmo. You?ll then cycle through the Podyji National Park where you?ll find untouched nature, beautiful views of the deep, forested river valley and at last, the only remaining remnant of the Iron Curtain in Czech Republic. Then continue on to Vranov nad Dyji with its chateau, perched high on a rock above the Dyje River.Longer VersionSame as above, but without the car transfer to Znojmo.

Vranov nad Dyji to Telc via Slavonice

Shorter VersionFrom Vranov skim the Austrian border to Slavonice, a forgotten Renaissance jewel with beautifully

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decorated sgraffito houses. This has become a popular village for resident artist who show off their wares in the galleries throughout the village. Then transfer by the local train to the town of Telc, which is your second UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its preserved town center with Renaissance and Baroque style houses. Longer Version Same tour as above, but riding to Telc instead of the transfer by train.

Telc - Rostejn loop

Today's loop tour will lead you through the rolling countryside surrounding the charming town of Telc and is sure to offer many splendid views. The highlight of the day is the late-Gothic style Rostejn castle, which was rebuilt into Renaissance hunting lodge, one of the best preserved buildings of its kind.

Telc to Jindrichuv Hradec

Today you will cycle through the Czech-Moravian Highlands, through the fields and forests that inspired the music of Gustav Mahler, who was born not far from here. A unique stop on the ride is the memorial in the small village of Kostelni Myslova to Jewish painter Frantisek Moritz Nagl, a local artist who died in Auschwitz along with his family. Finish the day in the old town of Jindrichuv Hradec, which has the third biggest castle complex in the Czech Republic with 320 rooms and over 10,000 works of art.

Jindrichuv Hradec to Trebon to Cesky Krumlov

In the morning, take in the historic town and castle of Jindrichuv Hradec, then start cycling through the mosaic of ponds, woods and meadows of the Bohemia Lake District to Trebon, a medieval town whose walls are still largely intact. In Trebon, enter the historical center through a gate in the old fortifications and across a moat, part of a unique water regulation system dating back to the 16th century. In the afternoon, you will be transferred from Trebon to Cesky Krumlov, the 3rd UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Cesky Krumlov to Prague

Enjoy all that Cesky Krumlov has to offer. The old town preserves a virtually intact and unparalleled ensemble of Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque buildings. Among the attractions are the second largest castle complex in the Czech Republic and the oldest working Baroque theatre in Europe. Be sure that your camera has enough memory, as there are many pictures to be taken! After, in the afternoon you'll be transferred by bus from Cesky Krumlov to Prague with a comfortable bus (air conditioning, screen for each seat and set of headphones) - about 3 hours. Depending on your wishes, we can arrange additional accommodation or transportation before or after your tour.

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Dolomites to Lago di Garda

THE guided Tour of Italia. All the "passo" you dream to climb together! Check our Itinerary and contact us for more information.

**Duration:** week  
**Price:** from 2550 EUR  
**Level:** Pro  
**Activity:** biking  
**Date:** Starts any day
Itinerary

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Buongiorno!

Transfer to your hotel on your own or pick-up in Milano airport (Malpensa) at 2pm. The airport is about 4h to Cortina d'Ampezzo. Transfer, check into hotel, bike assembly.

Cortina d’Ampezzo to Canazei

Climbs: Passo di Giau (2233m), Passo di Valparola (2192m) and Passo di Gardena (2121m)

Canazei to Fiera di Primiero

Climbs: Passo di Sella (2244m), Passo Pordoi (2239m), Forcella Orcine (1299m), Passo di Cereda (1369m)

Fiera di Primiero to Cavalese

Then transfer to Merano (about 1h) Climb: Passi di Rolle (1970m), Passo di Valles (2033m), Passo San Pellegrino (1918m)

Merano to Bormio

Climbs: Passo di Stelvio (2757m)

Bormio to Dimaro

Climbs: Passo di Gavia (2621m), Passo del Tonale (1883m)

Dimaro to Torbole/Lago di Garda

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Climb : Madona di Campiglio (1682m)

**Departure Day**

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Dordogne Best Of

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour starts in Bordeaux and then moves into the vineyards including the famous name of Saint Emilion on up to Bergerac. You then travel into the Prehistory region of the Dordogne, Les Eyzies and Sarlat. This combination is a 'best of' experience for a week timeframe in Aquitaine - some true highlights! You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris. The trip finishes in Sarlat from where you can take a small train to connect back to the TGV line. Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and the grottos of prehistory. You will pass through some old walled towns, see abbeys, and visit medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour!!

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Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Arrive in Bordeaux

Arrive in Bordeaux - a large city with good rail access and commercial airline flights from several European capitals. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the wine museums and shops for local wines. Orientation in the evening at your hotel with bike delivery and set up. Dinner on your own - many choices.

Ride to Les Eyzies

Your first ride will take you to Les Eyzies, capital of prehistory, where Cro Magnon was discovered. Take some time to also visit the Font de Gaume, which hosts a collection of prehistoric cave paintings. Prehistoric men living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Sarlat

Since today is a short ride but your destination has plenty to offer, we recommend getting an early start to give you plenty of time to visit the charming town of Sarlat, a medieval town built around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. Sarlat is one of the only towns in France which has kept its 14th century influence and feel! And if you happen to be there on Wednesday or Saturday morning, do not miss the wonderful local market. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in Sarlat where you have plenty of options. Breakfast included.

Ride to Lacave

Today you ride to Lacave and where you can visit the local cave. In this cave, the visit starts with a short underground train ride, at the end of which you will meet a guide to take you on a mile-long visit! On your way to Lacave, you can stop in Souillac and its Church of Sainte Marie. For those looking for a more challenging ride, you can skip Souillac and go directly to the Gouffre de Padirac, one of the most famous underground caves of France, with part of the visit by boat. Because it is out of the way (but worth it!) and quite popular, we recommend getting there as early as possible.
Tonight, you will stay at Pont de l’Ouysse, a charming 3 star property with a 1 star Michelin dinner included. Breakfast also included.

**Ride to Rocamadour**

After a longer ride yesterday, today is also a bit longer but can be shortened. Be sure to allow some time to visit Rocamadour, one of the most visited places of France, first as a pilgrimage destination, but also because of its beautiful village built on a cliff side. Do not forget to visit the Remparts, as well as the Rocher des Aigles where vultures, falcons and eagles fly free. You may want to visit a local farm producing and selling goat cheese, or just walk around the narrow streets of the village. Stay in a charming 3 star hotel, and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Ride to Carsac**

Today, is a longer ride, so take your time riding along the Dordogne River for a quiet countryside ride. Your destination is Vitrac or Carsac, small villages in the Black Perigord. Vitrac is known for its Chateau and water sports. Your hotel for tonight is the very charming 3 star Villa Romaine with pool and restaurant! So enjoy an afternoon relaxing, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Ride to Belves**

For your last ride, you will ride through some very scenic villages such as la Roque Gageac and Castelnaud la Chapelle. La Roque Gageac has the title of being ‘one of the most beautiful villages’ of France! Built at the foot of a cliff, right along the river, do not miss its Exotic gardens and the trogloyte fort. Several famous castles are on your itinerary as well, such as the Chateau des Milandes, former home of Josephine Baker, and the Chateau de Castelnaud la Chapelle, an impressive fortified castle overlooking the Dordogne valley. Stay at charming 3 star hotel with dinner on your own in town. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

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Dordogne Classic

The Dordogne department of the Aquitaine region, in the Black Perigord, and if you can get that, you will be delighted to visit the Quercy. Nevermind the geopolitical boundaries; the well known name of Dordogne is equivalent to famous cave paintings, remarkable chateaux, delicious food, rolling green countryside, and historic villages! What more could one vacation offer? Here on this tour you get to experience the force of water and the large rivers that have cut the limestone plateau and provided for all the now famous grottos that prehistoric man chose as his canvas. You can visit these grottos, explore the historic aspects of important towns such as Bergerac, Sarlat, La Roque Gageac, Beynac, and Les Eyzies. See chateaux, and stay in charming and welcoming country inns & chateau.

Duration: week  
Price: from 1090 EUR  
Level: Hobby  
Activity: biking  
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Bergerac

Arrive Bergerac - a large town with good rail access and services. This is your gateway into the famous Black Perigord. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the Maison des Vins - for local wines. 3 star hotel included, orientation and bike delivery at your hotel. Dinner out on your own in Bergerac; some suggestions will be included.

Ride from Bergerac to Tremolat

A fairly challenging start to this tour, it involves some hilly terrain up to the viewpoint of Les Cingles de Tremolat. The ride will take you along a scenic route to St Sauveur and through the surrounding forests. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Les Eyzies

A lot to see and visit on this day. Starting out easy you come to Audrix a small village by small roads and almost no traffic. Then down to Le Bugue and Gouffre de Proumeyssac, and then on to Les Eyzies - capital of Pre-History! Take time to visit this very charming town and its sites, museums including the Font de Gaume. Font de Gaume is a cave that houses a collection of prehistoric polychrome cave paintings. Prehistoric people living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the mouth of Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The caves most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included, lodging is central charming 3 star.

Loop Ride to Lascaux II - Montignac

Here is an opportunity to visit another of the most famous grottos in the region: Lascaux II. The original Lascaux is not open to the public anymore but version II is an exact replica. Located just near to the town of Montignac, the cycling is a bit longer today and to get a good visit in, you should depart early. Pass through St Leon sur Vezere and numerous small villages. Return to Les Eyzies and the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Ride to Sarlat

The destination is the very charming town of Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own tonight. Breakfast included.

Loop Ride from Sarlat

A rolling ride to visit the panoramic countryside with visits at the Chateau of Monfort and rides along very lightly traveled roads. You can even choose to ride on a bike path back to Sarlat if you choose. Dinner on your own tonight, and same hotel in central Sarlat. Breakfast included.

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- Lodging before and after the trip
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Dordogne Hiking

A fabulous Hiking Tour in the Perigord!
How to resist to the charm of the Dordogne and Perigord region!
The Perigord is a land of chateaux, bastides, prehistoric sites, medieval fortresses, villages and its markets.
There are four different geographic Perigord designations: the White Perigord, the Purple Perigord, the Green Perigord and the Black Perigord. This walking tour will take you in the Black Perigord. The Black Perigord overlooks the valleys of the Vezere and the Dordogne. This limestone plateau, delimited to the West by the valley of the Vezere and to the South, by the valley of the Dordogne, is covered by forests of chestnut trees, pines and Holm oaks, which give it a dark colour and its name "Black Perigord". This is the world capital of the pre-history with opportunities to visit some of the famous grottos, a country of hundreds of chateaux and high place of the French gastronomy, also known as the country of the "Good, Rich, and Unforgettable meals"! Of course, the excellent and welcoming accommodations on this trip will provide a real taste of the region, and give you the comfort a day of walking deserves! From the "foie gras" to the duck specialties, or the meals with truffles to the Bergerac wine; the "Produits du Terroir" are the part of the Perigord culture.

Duration: week
Price: from 1150 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day

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Arrive in Bergerac

Arrive in Bergerac - a large town with good rail access and services from Paris or Bordeaux. At Bergerac, settle in your charming 3* hotel with an orientation in the evening and dinner on your own afterward.

Bergerac to Tremolat

After breakfast, we will do a transfer at 9:30 am to Lalinde, a nearby village that was once a fortified site. The hike from there is a quiet scenic walk along the canal to discover the beautiful landscapes of the Perigord and views over the Dordogne River. Walk on the GR6 to Tremolat, where you stay in a beautiful 4* Relais & château hotel. Take some time to discover the stunning gardens or relax in the pool, before enjoying a gastronomic dinner. Dinner and breakfast included.

Tremolat to Le Bugue

Today, you follow the GR6 that will lead you to Limeuil, one of the most beautiful villages of France with its 12th century church. Your destination is Le Bugue, and you stay in a charming 3* hotel. To visit today: Limeuil, voted one of the most beautiful villages of France; Porte Romane and 18th century house in Le Bugue. Dinner and breakfast included.

Le Bugue to Les Eyzies

Loop ride around Epernay: Today you will again have 2 itinerary options! 1. The first one (42km - 26mi) takes you through the Vallee de la Marne where you can visit more cellars and stunning views of the valley. Don't miss 'La maison Champenoise' where you can visit this house built in 1642. With only 4 rooms but considered big in the 1900s, it shows how the locals lived. You can also visit an old distillery at 'La Goutte', and on the way, you can stop in Chatillon sur Marne, birth place of Pope Urbain II. At the foot of its statue, you can enjoy a panoramic view of 22 villages of the Marne Valley. 2. The second itinerary option (48km - 30mi) will bring you South of Epernay to the Cote des Blancs. This route will lead you through charming wine growing villages, which are for the most part classified as producing 100% 'Blanc de Blancs' champagne. The area owes its name to its slopes, being mainly planted with vines giving white grapes (chardonnay). Return to Epernay and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Les Eyzies Loop

After breakfast Today you can either take the day off to relax or do a loop tour around Les Eyzies. If you choose to walk, the itinerary will take you to the Gorge d'Enfer, located north of Les Eyzies. On this hike, you'll discover the many prehistorical sites of the area, such as the Caves of Grand Roc, L'abri du Poisson and many more. This is a very scenic walk through the forest where you will have several viewpoints over the Vezere river. Return to Les Eyzies and overnight in the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Les Eyzies to Sarlat

After breakfast; Walk from Les Eyzies to Marquay through the Vallee de la Beune. This is where many small rivers join the Vezere. Today's walk will also take you to the Roc de Cazelle caves, where prehistoric habitations have been reproduced. Next, you'll reach the Château de Commarque, a 12th century castle located on a rocky outcrop in the valley of the river Beune. At 5:30pm a taxi will meet you in Marquay and transfer you to Sarlat. Overnight in Sarlat and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Sarlat, Roque Gageac, Beynac

After breakfast, you have a nice loop tour to Beynac. You will have a transfer by taxi to the start, at 9:30 am. The route will first take you to the village of Vitrac. Then, after walking through the Cingle de Montfort, you'll reach La Roque Gageac, where you can take some time to visit the troglodyte sites. At 5:30pm a taxi transfer will take you back to Sarlat. Overnight in the same hotel, dinner on your own. Breakfast included. Includes time at the medieval village of La Roque Gageac, named one of France's most beautiful villages; Exotic garden in La Roque Gageac, and the Château de Beynac.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast; bon retour! Breakfast included.

What's included

4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, Orientation by telephone, Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT, Detailed ROAD
BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times.

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Amsterdam to Bruges 7 Nights

Holland, or the Netherlands as it is officially known, is a very bicycle-friendly country. The way that cycling is included in the traffic systems, the general small scale of everything and the flat terrain all contribute greatly in providing the perfect conditions for a stress-free tour! On this tour you will pedal your way through different types of landscapes, each with its own cultural and historical characteristics. From April to the first week of May, this tour will leave from Haarlem (instead of Abcoude) in order to admire and ride through the innumerable tulips fields between Haarlem and Leiden!

Duration: week
Price: from 1585 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival in Amsterdam

Amsterdam is famous for the Rijksmuseum, the Van Gogh Museum, Anne Frank house, its beautiful canals and of course, its vibrant atmosphere. We recommend that you visit the city before your cycle tour, taking public transport (train and tram).

Transfer to Abcoude then ride to Leiden

You will be transferred to Abcoude where you will meet us to handout equipment and to give a thorough explanation of the tour. First day the bike tour goes from Abcoude to the historic town of Leiden, one of the most beautiful towns in Holland. This day the tour goes through typical Dutch lowlands, with quiet bike lanes, lovely canals and windmills on the route. Option with supplement (40eur) : From April to the first week of May, you will have the possibility to leave from Haarlem (instead of Abcoude) in order to admire and ride through the innumerable tulips fields between Haarlem and Leiden!

Leiden to Delft

On third day the tour goes from Leiden to Delft (famous for its blue pottery). Along the coastal bike path through lovely sand dunes towards the governmental town of the Hague. In the Hague there are a lot of interesting museums and national and international highlights to visit. From the Hague finally to the beautiful town of Delft to stay the night.

Delft to Brielle

Third day the tour leaves towards the harbour of Rotterdam. Along quaint villages and along a lovely canal. Pass the harbour of Rotterdam by a ferry crossing and by then it's a small ride to the picturesque village of Brielle to stay the night.

Brielle to Zierikzee

The trip enters the Zeeland province, well known for its highly innovative infrastructural dams and dikes to protect this area against the sea. The tour will be a mixture of farmland, coastal areas and a
ride over the dikes and dams. Finish this day will be in the beautiful historic town of Zierikzee.

Zierikzee to Middelburg

Today the tour goes in the direction of Middelburg a jewel to stay and to stroll around. A lovely day along the coast towards the village of Veere and finally to Middelburg.

Welcome to Belgium!

Last day people will peddle along a canal to Vlissingen to take the ferry to Breskens. By then towards the lovely village of Sluis and by entering Belgium it will be a small trip finally to Brugge.

Departure day

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Connemara Best Of

From April 1st to October 30th.
This tour takes in the highlights of Connemara, Joyces Country and South Mayo. The starting point and your first night's accommodation location is Clifden. This colourful town is often labelled the metropole of Connemara.
The loop ride takes you around the coast to Augrusbeg and Cleggan and out along the Sky Road. Leaving Clifden you will ride to the Lough Inagh Valley via Roundstone. From there we travel to Kylemore Abbey and Leenane on the shores of Killary Harbour into the beautiful Delphi Valley. From here you turn east into the Maam Valley and Joyce's country to finish in the quaint village of Cong located on Lough Corrib and served as location for the film the Quiet Man and home to Ashford Castle (one of Ireland's finest hotels with magnificent park). The last day is an easy ride through the East Galway countryside to Galway, a bustling historic city. The tour is suitable for riders of all levels.

Duration: week
Price: from 1290 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Arrival in Clifden

Arrive in Clifden. Depending on arrival time we will meet you in the evening or first thing the following morning adjust the bicycle for you and talk you through the week ahead. If you arrive early, enjoy a day out of the saddle perhaps go horseback riding, kayaking or deep sea fishing. Dinner included tonight.

Loop ride from Clifden

Today's cycling is a wonderful ride out along the Sky Road to enjoy some sublime coastal scenery. Along the way walk to the ruin of Clifden Castle. For the more enthusiastic rider you can continue along more coastal scenery to Claddaghduff and Aughrusbeg before returning to Clifden via Roundstone.

Clifden to Kylemore

Leave Clifden behind to cycle through the beautiful Lough Inagh Valley to Kylemore, where you may like to visit Kylemore Abbey before heading to your hotel for dinner and a drink at the bar. Enjoy some traditional music and 'craic' (Irish word for fun!) in some of the local pubs. Dinner included tonight.

Kylemore to Leenane

Take in a visit of the Connemara National Park before cycling along the beautiful coastline to Leenane. This small village is located on Killary Harbour, Ireland's only fjord. It was also the location for the film 'The Field'. Stay for 2 nights in a 3* hotel. Why not visit the Killary working sheep farm, or take a cruise down the fjord, on your travels. Dinner included tonight.

Loop ride from Leenane

Today is a most beautiful ride along the northern shore of Killary Harbour into the Delphi Valley with its beautiful lake Doo Lough. Turn towards Drummin before returning to Leenane. Consider taking a seaweed bath at the hotel to relax after a day's cycling!
Leenane to Cong

A beautiful and gentle day in valleys of Connemara and Mayo on very quiet roads, as you cycle along the lakes of Lough Mask, Lough Nafooey and Lough Corrib. Finish in the quaint village of Cong, location for the film 'The Quiet Man' with Maureen O'Hara and John Wayne. Visit Cong Abbey founded in the 12th century as well as the Monk's House. Ashford Castle Hotel on the shores of Lough Corrib invites you to enjoy cream tea in its magnificent setting. Stay in a 4* hotel.

Cong to Galway

A last day of cycling and the route takes you on quiet back roads to the small town of Headford, passing by the wonderful ruin of Ross Errily Friary. Continue to cycle southwards through the pastoral areas of East Galway before arriving in the vibrant City of the Tribes (as Galway is also called). A partial transfer to shorten the tour to 40km can be arranged. Accommodation is in a 3* hotel.

Day 8: Departure day

Breakfast, followed by farewell and departure for your onward journey.

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Ring Of Kerry

The Ring of Kerry abounds in natural wonders and the beauty and grandeur of the scenery is unsurpassed by any in Ireland. Starting in the town of Killarney made famous by the magnificent "Three Lakes of Killarney" the "Ring" then continues anti-clockwise through Killorglin, Caherciveen, on to Waterville and Sneem before returning to Killarney.

We, however, find this route to be "over-run" with tourists and therefore unkind to cycles so for that reason we suggest a much more leisurely and quieter mix of inland and coastal routes to give you just the same beauty and splendour if not more!

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Price: from 1020 EUR
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Arrival in Killarney

Arrive in Killarney and check into your B&B. Collect your bicycles and Information pack with route description and map from the proprietor. If you have time take the short circular cycle to Muckross House and Killarney National Park and then back to Killarney for your overnight stop.

Killarney to Glenbeigh

Leaving Killarney you'll cycle west under the foothills of Ireland's highest mountain, Carrantuohill, around the beautiful Caragh Lake before heading to the picturesque village of Glenbeigh and your overnight stop.

Glenbeigh to Caherciveen

Heading west from Glenbeigh, today's route takes you to the peaceful and tranquil shores of Kells Bay. From here you'll continue on west finishing the day's ride outside the town of Caherciveen overlooking Valentia Island. You'll spend two nights in Caherciveen.

Rest day

Today you have a free day. You can arrange a boat trip to the famous 6th century Skellig Island or as an option if the weather does not allow you to take the ferry over to Valentia Island and cycle around this lovely little island that is steeped in history. A hike option will also be available.

Caherciveen to Kenmare

From Caherciveen, today's ride takes you on one of the most glorious routes imaginable. An inland trip through the Inny Valley and the legendary Ballaghisheen and Ballaghbeama passes offering spectacular views as you descend to the southern shores of the peninsula and Kenmare and your stop over for the next two nights.
Kenmare circular route

Leaving your Kenmare B&B you can enjoy a lovely circular ride over to the Beara Peninsula and around Lough Inchiquinn before returning back to Kenmare. As an option you can continue on to Glengarriff and return to Kenmare through Turner’s Rock tunnel road. It is hard to imagine that two peninsulas so close together geographically can be so different in landscape and appearance; today gives you the opportunity to see this contrast first hand.

Kenmare to Killarney

Today you cycle along backroads to the famous Molls Gap offering wonderful views over the spectacular Three Lakes of Killarney. From here you continue cycling to the Black valley and through the renowned Gap of Dunloe before returning to Killarney for your final night.

<p>Departure after your breakfast</p>

After a final breakfast and farewell you leave your bicycle behind you and follow your own arrangements for your onward journey. According to your program, we can arrange accommodations and transportation before or after your tour.

What’s included

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Languedoc Carcassonne to the Coast

This trip will begin in the wonderful medieval city of Carcassone. It is a UNESCO world heritage site near the Mediterranean Sea. The tour ends in the charming village, Collioure. The initial stages will be the most strenuous, as there are a lot of valleys. The essential first stop is at Limoux to taste the famous bubbly white wine, named after the town; Blanquette de Limoux. Enjoyed with a chocolate dessert, it is a real treat. You will then discover the tranquil and paradoxically wild landscape of the Hautes Corbières. There are breathtaking views with delightful villages nestled among rows of vines and majestic castles; Château de Queribus and Château de Peyrepertuse perched high on hills in the Cathare countryside. The final cycling stages are less labourious. You will be by the sea enjoying the Cote Vermeille for one day where you can visit Collioure. This is a Catalan port sheltered in a creek where the Mediterranean waters meet the Pyrenees Mountains. With an exceptional climate and guaranteed sunshine, Collioure is a unique spot, the source of Catalan know-how and way of life. Stone and sandy beaches, creeks and crystal clear water will entice you to a refreshing swim. What better way to end your holidays!

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**Bienvenue ! Welcome to Carcassonne**

Our guide will meet you at your hotel. Weather permitting you can try your bicycle along the famous Canal du Midi. You can dine and discover the fascinating medieval city of Carcassonne, a UNESCO world heritage site. Dinner on your own.

**Carcassonne to Couiza**

On your first day of cycling you will travel south through grapevines to the village of Limoux, renowned for its famous Blanquette (bubbly white wine). On this stop you can taste it. You will then need fresh legs to climb some hills before to join the village of Couiza for one night in a magnificent 16th century historically classed château. Gastronomic dinner included. Breakfast also included.

**Couiza to Cucugnan, the Cathar Castles!**

This route between the Pyrenees and the wild Corbieres traverses the beautiful Hautes Corbieres countryside with the Pic de Bugarach 1230m. Here you will see the famous Citadelles du Vertige, the Queribus and Peyrepertuse Castles deeply embedded in the epic Cathar history. The uphill challenges are well compensated with the awaiting breathtaking panoramic vistas. Evening meal included as well as breakfast.

**Cucugnan to Thuir**

You will leave the Corbieres passing in front of the Padern Castle on its rocky peak and you will go towards the village of Tautavel where there is the European Centre of Prehistory. After this visit there are some more hills to climb before reaching Thuir. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Thuir to Collioure**

Before leaving Thuir we would recommend a little detour (+11kms) to Castelnou, a charming village classed among the Most Beautiful French Villages. Today's itinerary is easier than the previous days. Faced with the Pyrenean summits and then go on the beach at Argeles sur Mer, and the magnificent village of Collioure, where a well-deserved swim can be enjoyed. Dinner on your own.
Breakfast included.

**Last day is at your own pace, walking and relaxing on the beach!**

On your last day you will have the choice of visiting Collioure, a snooze on the beach or else a walk through the vineyards which surround the sea. The splendid landside is there to be enjoyed. It is the ideal spot to end your trip and return home with lots of special memories. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

Depending on your wishes and plans, we can arrange additional accommodation or transportation before or after your tour. Breakfast included.

**What's included**

6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, 2 dinners included, Orientation in person with our local guide, Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times

**What's not included**

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Languedoc Canal du Midi

Cycling in Languedoc from Carcassonne takes you on a relatively easy cycling trip along the famed Canal du Midi to finish on the Mediterranean coast at Sete. We include some key cities such as Narbonne and Beziers which offer important historical sites and are yet so typical of this southern France coastal region. Experience the rural France life and southern style while enjoying both the key waterway of the canal and the inviting Mediterranean. Early arrivals at Carcassonne allow enough time to experience the marvelous and intact medieval cite of Carcassonne, one of the most beautiful villages of France. This would be a great add on to our Carcassonne Countryside tour to make a 2 week visit of the best of Languedoc!

Duration: week
Price: from 1020 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Carcassonne**

Arrival in Carcassonne. What a great place to start, your hotel is located at the foot of the walls of the medieval cite of Carcassonne! Drop your bags and go explore. We provide an orientation and bike set up in the early evening. You have dinner on your own tonight; we include some suggestions inside the walls of the Cite. This is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and worth an extra night if you have time; ask us for rates.

**Carcassonne to St Pierre des Champs**

Leaving Carcassonne, you come to the village of Trebes along the canal as you cycle on a quiet and wide bike path that follows the canal. You can watch the amateur and professional boat operators come along and navigate the locks installed throughout the canal. Continue south of the canal to the charming village of St Pierre des Champs. Flat to rolling terrain. Some sections along the Canal du Midi are on a trail. Dinner and breakast included.

**St Pierre des Champs to Narbonne**

The route takes you to the larger town of Narbonne where you can visit the impressive gothic cathedral and old city. The cycling route does veer off the Canal du Midi and takes the Canal de la Robine which goes to Narbonne. Flat to rolling rides with some sections on a trail. Dinner on your own in town. Breakfast included.

**Narbonne to Lignan**

The cycling route goes into the countryside today following small country roads where you arrive at the unique city of Beziers that is famous for the Feria it hosts in August when hundreds of thousands attend to events including bull fighting. Beziers is also known for the Saint Nazaire cathedral (13th-15th centuries), and the terrible history of the Cathars who were all murdered in a purge by catholic crusaders in July 1209. You cycle some additional kilometers to join your charming and quiet hotel in Lignan. Flat to rolling countryside with some sections along the Canal du Midi on a trail. Dinner and Breakfast included.
Lignan to Cap d'Agde - La Mer!

Leaving Lignan and Beziers far behind, you cycle to Cap d'Agde, a lovely station on the Mediterranean sea. You pass first Agde which has a history of trade via the port which was historically very important. It used to be called Good Fortune (from Greek Agathe Tyche) and became an important trade point between Marseille and Spain in the 3rd century. Further on the cape, you have dinner included tonight. Some sections along the Canal du Midi are on a trail. Breakfast also included.

Cap d'Adge to Sète

This is a relatively short ride along the coastal area between the Thau Lagoon and the sea. Once in Sete you will find a beautiful city of typical districts that are crossed with canals and where colorful houses overlook the water. Sete is the city of George Brassens, a popular French singer from the 1960s era. Dinner on your own in any number of places tonight. Flat riding. For optional longer rides, please inquire prior to arrival. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Trains from Sete to Paris possible. Extra nights also possible, please inquire. Breakfast included.

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Languedoc Countryside & Heritage

Discover sunny Languedoc on a fabulous route that takes you way off the beaten tourist path. On this tour we take you immediately into the countryside to the charming village of St Guilhem le Desert with its medieval old town and pedestrian alleys. The cycling will cross vineyards, visit the region icon Pic St Loup, the Lake of Salagou, and take you in the gorges of the l'Herault. The tour starts with an easy arrival in Montpellier - accessible by train or plane. We meet you and take you to the quiet calms of the countryside. St Guilhem le Desert! This is one of the best cycling discoveries of the Herault Department with low logistics and very inclusive! Sunny most of the year, it is good just about any time!

Duration: week  
Price: from 1120 EUR  
Level: Active  
Activity: biking  
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Montpellier for transfer to St Guilhem le Desert

Arrival in Montpellier - we transfer you to St Guilhem le Desert to start your bike tour. Installation in nice 2 Star hotel where you will have an orientation by our staff, and then you can explore this fabulous village. Dinner included; and then after go to the central plaza for cafe or drink of your choice to soak up the ambiance of village dating to the year 804. The village is a UNESCO classified village and is a well known spot on the Camino de Santiago not only for its Abbey, but also because it is built in a narrow valley.

Loop Tours

Loop Tours, your choice of 3 rides(from easy to challenging): You will do a loop trip from St Guilhem to the Lac du Salagou (Lake Salagou). The lake is itself fairly large with a lot of visitors in the summer, but it is unique with a surrounding of red clay soil; the rocks dating back millions of years. The ride is rolling bypassing many small villages and wine country. Return to St Guilhem, and if you have the energy, walk some of the trails leading out to the surrounding peaks. Ride: 78 km challenging. You can either ride to the Gorges de l’Hérault: Varying in depth from 200 to 300 meters, the gorges are a real canyon hollowed out of the heart of the garrigues by the River Hérault, its one and only architect. A magnificent sight, and a real oasis in the heart of these arid lands, the Hérault Gorges all have their own special characteristics: whether the waters are calm or turbulent, they are, above all, a fascinating spectacle. Ride 51km moderate. The third option is a shorter ride of 39 km taking you to the Chateau and vineyards of Jonquieres. The soil comes from the local chalky rock (limestone consisting of calcareous fossil skeletal fragments of microscopic algae) of the Larzac Plateau. It is in this terroir that the wines find their fundamental characteristics: power, aroma, and a typical elegance. Return again to St Guilhem tonight. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Lauret

After breakfast, you will leave St Guilhem heading towards Lauret. On your way, Saint Etienne d’Issensac and its charming stone bridge (XIVth) and chapel. You will also stop in Brissac, a modest village settlement, but it is nevertheless notable for its 12th century church (listed as a monument historique), and for the castle perched on the rocky outcrop, which dominates and protects the village. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop towards Pic St Loup

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Stop at the Glass blowing museum to discover the art and many steps followed. You can see the Dolmen of Ferrières, located nearby village of Ferrières les Verreries, a Neolithic dolmen dating back to almost 9000 years. Then, discover the surrounding countryside by heading south towards Saint Martin de Londres, with several views on the Pic Saint Loup which is the main peak of the Montpellier backcountry. The Pic Saint Loup is also an area that has its own wine designation because there are the vineyards of very high quality. You can include a stop in one of the wineries for a tasting. Return to Auberge du Cedre and dinner included. Breakfast and dinner included.

Ride to Sommieres

Ride first to Claret, famous for its many glass blowers, where the art was created in the 14th century. You could make a stop here in order to visit the glass blowers museum. The first glassblowers in the area arrived in 1280, attracted by the abundant resources of wood in the region. Today you will ride through the vineyards on 'le chemin des Verriers' (the glassblowers route). The villages on the chemin des verriers are Claret, Lauret, Sauteyrargues, Vacquieres and Sommieres. Ride 39km. Nice hotel in Sommieres with dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop to Nimes

You will use the cycle path called 'voie verte' just behind your hotel to Caveirac and will pass through the vineyards. You will see some bulls of Camargue on your way. Then you could enjoy the city center of Nîmes, an historic town, with a very old past. The arenas, the square house, 'Jardins de la Fontaine' and the tower Magne, these monuments invite you in the roman antiquity. This rich past earned him the nickname 'French Rome'. You will come back to your hotel by the same way. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Montpellier

For your last ride, you will return to Montpellier, capital of the Languedoc region. Built in the 1040s, Montpellier quickly became known for its trade with the Orient, and its medical schools. With winding streets that date back to the Middle Ages and ultra-modern facilities such as the indoor Olympic sized swimming pool, skating rink, planetarium, and tramway system, Montpellier has something for everyone. Your hotel is in the heart of the historic center. You are close to the Triumphal arch, the ?Garden of Peru?, which is continuing with the magnificent and huge Aqueduct St Clement and the central square ?place de la Comédie? with its Opera. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

You are free to leave anytime after breakfast. Extra nights can be arranged. Trains depart in all
directions throughout the day. Breakfast included.

**What's included**

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Loire Valley 4 nights

The valleys of the Loire, Cher and Indre rivers are a harmonious combination of non-navigated rivers, rich vineyards and vast forests. Discover the landscapes, unspoiled nature, beautiful gardens and breathtaking castles of the Loire Valley on your bike. The terrain is wonderful for bicycle riding - mostly flat to rolling - and is filled with rivers, trees, and colors.

Duration: weekend
Price: from 590 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Amboise

Arrival in Saint Pierre des Corps-Tours TGV station, located only 1h from Paris by train. You can also take a train to Amboise directly, about 2h from Paris. Transfer on your own to Amboise and settle at your charming family run hotel 5 minutes from the center of town. Orientation and bike set up tonight. Dinner included tonight. About nearby Vouvray wines: Vouvray is the largest white wine appellation of the Anjou-Saumur-Touraine region and it produces splendid wines from the dry and austere to the richest dessert wines, as well as excellent sparkling wines. Dinner included.

Amboise to Chenonceau and return

A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the fabulous Chenonceau castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the XVIth century over the Cher river and improved by Catherine de Medici. The castle hides several pieces of historical interest, furniture and tapestries. Ride back to Amboise for a moderate trip. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Blois

Depart from Amboise and ride through many small villages, stopping at privately owned chateaux on the way. For lunch, why not stop at the famous Gardens festival and Chateau of Chaumont for a picnic followed by a visit! Then you will either go on a short and quiet ride to Blois or choose the longer option riding through sunflower fields and deep countryside of the area to visit more chateaux such as Fougeres and Beauregard. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Chambord and Blois

Today, you will again have 2 ride options. The short option takes you to the famous Chambord, where you can enjoy the magnificent architecture and unique features. Then you can enjoy a chocolate tasting in a chocolate factory in a nearby charming village before heading back to Blois with a stop at the Chateau de Villesavin. On the longer option, after Chambord, you will continue south to the Chateaux of Cheverny, Troussay and Beauregard. Those are easy rides on flat terrain, just enjoy the scenery imagining how and why the kings chose this area as their vacation place! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Departure Day

Today is departure day, you can take your time getting started in the morning to have breakfast and depart at your leisure from Blois by train for Paris or other destination. Breakfast included.

What’s included

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Loire Valley Secrets

This Loire Valley Cycling Tour was created to take you to another part of the region not covered by other trips, and do it at a reasonable rate. The tranquil waters of the Loire, Indre, and Cher rivers flow into one in the heart of this scenic region known for its vineyards, orchards, and magnificent castles. The flat-to-rolling terrain is perfect for cycling and is filled with trees and colors. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. This tour starts in Joue les Tours at the edge of Tours, an important cultural town with historical sites to explore. The cycling will take you to chateaux that are open to visit such as Azay le Rideau, Langeais, Chinon, Usse, and Saumur. You will also cycle through some important wine regions such as Chinon, and have the chance to explore some well known gardens such as Villandry. All the best of the Loire Valley by bicycle!

Duration: week
Price: from 650 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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### Arrive in Joue les Tours

Arrival in Saint Pierre des Corps-Tours TGV station, located only 1h from Paris by train. Transfer to your charming castle hotel in Joue les Tours on your own, the Chateau de Beaulieu. Dinner included.

### Ride to Azay le Rideau

Going first to fantastic gardens at the famous Villandry, you will ride alongside the Cher and Loire Rivers and along the Loire a Velo route. After, continue toward Azay le Rideau and that classic chateau, where you can spend plenty of time to visit the castle and possibly see the sound and light show. This renaissance era castle is considered a classic design and its setting alongside the Indre River is magic. Dinner and breakfast included.

### Ride to Chinon

Ride from Azay-le-Rideau to Chinon for a full day of cycling around castles. Your first stop is in Langeais, where the Chateau was the temporary lair of lawless armed bands during the Hundred Years War. Then the ride continues to the Chateau of Usse, a fairytale castle which is reputed to have inspired the story of Sleeping Beauty and a "must" for all Walt Disney's fans. You will then finish by riding to Chinon, house to a few interesting museums, where you can taste some of the local wine, made famous in the writings of Francois Rabelais. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

### Ride to Saumur

Ride from Chinon to Saumur, house of a beautiful castle and delicious wine. You will start your ride to Saumur with a stop at the Abbey of Fontevraud, one of the most beautiful and largest abbeys in Europe. Then as you approach Saumur, you will begin to see the magnificent Chateau overlooking the Loire River and surrounded by endless vineyards. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

### Departure Day

Departure after a sumptuous breakfast at the hotel. Breakfast is included.
What's included

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Loire Valley Deluxe

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For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. This tour starts in Amboise, an important cultural town with both a castle and historical sites. The cycling will take you to chateaux that are visiting such as Chenonceau and Azay le Rideau, and also the kind you stay in such as Chateau d'Artigny - one of the most famous in the whole of France. You will also cycle through some important wine regions and have the chance to explore some well known gardens. All the best of the Loire Valley by bicycle!

**Duration:** week  
**Price:** from 1850 EUR  
**Level:** Casual  
**Activity:** biking  
**Date:** Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Amboise

Arrive in Amboise and head to hotel Le Choiseul just near the castle. Settle in and visit the village and sites. Amboise is a small town with much to see and do; among which is the Clos Luce (Leonardo DaVinci) and the chateau. Orientation in the evening and gourmet dinner in your chateau tonight. Dinner included.

Loop ride To Chenonceau

Today is a perfect way to get started; you have a loop tour out to the Chateau of Chenonceau and back to Amboise. Along the way you will cycle some quiet back country roads and drop into the hamlet of Chenonceau and the stunning castle there which is famously perched over the Cher River. This famous castle is where Henri II and Catherine de Medicis and Diane de Poitiers played out their love stories. Back to the same hotel. Breakfast included.

Amboise to Wine Country

Depart with a nice paved bike lane in the middle of the vineyard of Montlouis. You then have the opportunity to visit Chateau Bourdaisiere (ONLY garden and tomato conservatory). Before reaching your deluxe lodging at the Chateau Artigny, you can first visit the Donjon of Montbazon. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Azay le Rideau to Luynes

You start with a nice ride through rolling countryside to the site of the castle of Azay le Rideau (option to visit the Chateau of Villandry). Here, alongside the Indre River, this is one of the more classical chateaux from the Renaissance period. You will then cross the Loire river to discover the chateau of Langeais. After a visit you will start cycling toward Luynes with a nice and relatively long countryside ride. Arrive at the deluxe Domaine de Beauvois for the night. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Saumur
Starts with a vehicle transfer to the wine town of Chinon. Chinon is famous for its castle as well; dating back to the sagas of Joan of Arc and medieval times. From Chinon, after a visit, you will have a leisurely ride toward the famous and historic Abbaye of Fontevraud. This double monastery with royal heritage dates back to the year 1110. It is still a functioning abbey and open to visitors and then on to your hotel nearby with gastronomic dinner. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop Ride

Visit the town of Saumur and its chateau: the great Chateau de Saumur itself stands high above the town. The Saumur castle was originally constructed in the tenth century by Thibault le Tricheur, comte de Blois, as a fortified stronghold against Norman predations. The loop tour today takes you to Montreuil Bellay chateau. Return to your same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

After breakfast, you can depart at your leisure. Trains from nearby Saumur to Tours and Paris are possible. Added nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

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What's not included

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- Drinks
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Bikes available on this tour

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Loire Hiking

The Loire Valley has seen many of France's kings pass through its regions, the "valley" is known as the Kings Valley. It is probably most famous for the King Francois Ier who was under the crown during the building of some of the most extravagant castles during the renaissance. However, many of the castles in the Loire date from the Medieval period and some even before. Listed as a Unesco World Heritage site, the valley offers so many chateaux, mansions, churches, and abbeys that a visitor can't possibly see it all! On this tour from Blois you will travel past Amboise visiting numerous chateaux and historical sites including Blois, Chambord, Cheverny, Chaumont, Amboise, Chenonceau! The hiking is mostly over flat terrain and encompasses some vineyards, low river lands, and forests.

Duration: week
Price: from 1140 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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**Arrive in Blois**

Arrival in Blois, famous for its Royal Renaissance Chateau. Blois is a short train ride from Paris and has plenty to offer for your first night: pedestrian streets, 18th century stone bridge, Saint Louis Cathedral, shopping, restaurants. And since you are spending the night in Blois, do not forget to check if there is a Light and Sound show tonight (in English on Wednesdays!). Dinner on your own.

**Blois to Bracieux**

This morning, our local guide will meet you at your hotel where you will have your Orientation meeting. Then we will transfer you to one of the most recognizable Chateaux of France: Chateau of Chambord. You can visit the Chateau, walk around in the park, and then start your hike from Chambord to Bracieux through the forest. Stay in a charming 2 star hotel in Bracieux, dinner and breakfast included. Chateau de Chambord: is one of the most recognizable chateauxs in the world because of its very distinct French Renaissance architecture that blends traditional medieval forms with classical Italian structures. One of the architectural highlights is the spectacular double-helix open staircase that is the centerpiece of the castle. The two helices ascend the three floors without ever meeting, illuminated from above by a sort of light house at the highest point of the castle. There are suggestions that Leonardo da Vinci may have designed the staircase, but this has not been confirmed.

**Bracieux to Cheverny**

This hike will take you to Cheverny, another famous town because of its Chateau. The present Chateau de Cheverny is an original jewel among the more famous monuments that stretch along the Loire Valley. In fact, Renaissance style did not find its place in Cheverny, which is built in the purest Louis XIII classical style, distinguished by an extraordinarily symmetrical architecture. But Cheverny is primarily known for being an inspiration to Herge, cartoonist and author of Tintin, who drew the castle in his comics as the Chateau de Moulinsart, home to Captain Haddock. We transfer you at 3pm to your 3 star hotel in Ouchamps, dinner and breakfast included at your hotel.

**Ouchamps to Amboise**
In the morning, start your hike from the hotel and cross Chaumont sur Loire village rich in history and a perfect place for walks along the riverbanks. Each year the International Garden Festival is held in the castle grounds. But Chaumont sur Loire is also known for its feudal castle dominating the valley. After your visit of Chaumont, we will transfer you to Amboise, where you will stay tonight. Amboise has a lot to offer and plenty to visit: The Royal Castle, which introduced Italian-style architecture in the 15th and 16th centuries; Clos Luce: last residence of Leonardo Da Vinci, where you can see some of his many projects in different fields. Breakfast included.

Amboise Loops

You have 3 hiking possibilities today to discover Amboise in details. Amboise has a lot to offer and plenty to visit: The Royal Castle, which introduced Italian-style architecture in the 15th and 16th centuries; Clos Luce: last residence of Leonardo Da Vinci, where you can see some of his many projects in different fields. You stay at the same hotel, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Amboise to Chenonceau

Start walking in the forest of Amboise and through farm villages. Then continue your walk to the Cher River and the famous Chateau of Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the 16th century over the Cher River; and then improved by Catherine de Medicis. Gastronomic dinner is waiting at the hotel tonight! Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. You can take your time with breakfast. Additional nights can be arranged. Transfer back to Saint Pierre des Corps, Tours TGV station, is on your own. Breakfast included.

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Loire Valley Classic 7 Nights

The valleys of the Loire, Cher and Indre rivers are a harmonious combination of non navigated rivers, rich vineyards and vast forests. Discover the landscapes, unspoiled nature, beautiful gardens and breathtaking castles of the Loire Valley on your bike. The terrain is wonderful for bicycle riding - mostly flat to rolling - and is filled with rivers, trees, and colors. On this 247 km bike tour, you will explore the area between Chambord and Azay le Rideau, and you'll have the opportunity to visit Amboise, Chenonceau and Chambord castles among others. Our selected hotels and the local restaurants will spoil you with regional gastronomic food and local wines. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures pictures from the fairy tales of childhood.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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fabulous Chenonceau castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the XVIth century over the Cher river and improved by Catherine de Medici. The castle hides several pieces of historical interest, furniture and tapestries. Ride back to Amboise for a moderate trip. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride Blois via Chaumont Castle!

Depart from Amboise and ride through many small villages, stopping at privately owned chateaux on the way. For lunch, why not stop at the famous Gardens festival and Chateau of Chaumont for a picnic followed by a visit! Then you will either go on a short and quiet ride to Blois or choose the longer option riding through sunflower fields and deep countryside of the area to visit more chateaux such as Fougeres and Beauregard. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop tour to Chambord

Today, you will again have 2 ride options. The short option takes you to the famous Chambord, where you can enjoy the magnificent architecture and unique features. Then you can enjoy a chocolate tasting in a chocolate factory in a nearby charming village before heading back to Blois with a stop at the Chateau de Villesavin. On the longer option, after Chambord, you will continue south to the Chateaux of Cheverny, Troussay and Beauregard. Those are easy rides on flat terrain, just enjoy the scenery imagining how and why the kings chose this area as their vacation place! Ride distance is 49km Chambord roundtrip, with Cheverny count 63 km. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure from Blois after breakfast, at your leisure. Trains available direct to Paris. Breakfast included.

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Canal du midi, from Moissac to Carcassonne

This trip brings you along the most beautiful sites along the Canal that links the Mediterranean and Atlantic Ocean on safe cycle paths. Take your start from Moissac and its famous convent, a unique treasure of perfectly conserved roman art. Your trip follows the Garonne Canal stopping in the charming cities of Montauban and Toulouse. Toulouse is nicknamed the « Pink City ». You'll be enchanted by its culture and diversity: pedestrian shopping districts, gastronomic restaurants, the Canal du Midi, bars, restaurants everything to fulfill your day and more if you'd like! You continue by riding on the peaceful Canal du Midi to Cathare country and finish in the famous medieval city of Carcassonne, a World Heritage Site. This is without question the most ideal place to finish your trip in beauty!

Duration: week
Price: from 1290 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive at Moissac. Greeting and bike fitting.

We strongly suggest that you take advantage of your afternoon to discover the remarkable sites of Moissac: The Abbey and its famous sculptures. Before the end of the day, our guide will meet with you at your hotel to fit your bikes, explain the material (bike, GPS) and explain your trip.

From Moissac to Montauban

Today you ride along the Garonne Canal to Montech and its water slope, a boat elevator on a lateral canal of the Garonne. Before that don’t forget to visit the Belleperche Abbey and its museum of table arts. To get to Montauban you will need to leave the Garonne Canal and follow the Canal de Montech! Take advantage of your evening to visit the charming city center of Montauban.

The Garonne Canal all the way to Toulouse

Today head south to the regional capital of Toulouse! Along your way and along the canal you must stop at Grenade to visit the ancient bastide and its covered market. Head South to the regional capital of Toulouse! Upon your arrival at the Pink City, discover the Twim Bridges, the intersection between the Garonne Canal and the Canal du Midi, and Brienne Canal.

Rest at Toulouse

Take advantage of this day without cycling to discover all the fascinating aspects of Toulouse.

From Toulouse to Avignonet-Lauragais

You quietly leave the center of town along the shady Canal du Midi to meander the quiet countryside. Join your hotel along the Canal at Avignonet-Lauragais or a little further on at Labastide d’Anjou.

From Avignonet-Lauragais to Carcassonne
After crossing the Seuil de Naurouze and the obelisk of Riquet, you cross the small town of Castelnaudary, famous for its gastronomy and cassoulet. It's also the entry into Cathare country and the unbelievable medieval city of Carcassonne, World Heritage Site of UNESCO.

**Departure**

It's time to leave after a good breakfast. Or, stay a couple nights longer to visit Carcassonne and its region. Continue with our trip along the Canal du Midi all the way to the Mediterranean Sea!

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The most beautiful villages of France

Taking its start in Gaillac, this trip brings you to Albi, a recognized World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Along the way, you will discover at least 5 villages officially recognized as the Most Beautiful Village of France and the magnificent Gorges of Averyon. This trip is for people who are in good physical condition. If you have any doubts, we suggest e-bikes that allow you to overcome any obstacles and offer a maximum of comfort.

Duration: week
Price: from 1100 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival and welcome at Gaillac

We strongly suggest that you take advantage of your afternoon to discover the beautiful city of Gaillac and taste their regional wines! Before the end of the day, our guide will meet you at your hotel for a bike fitting, and to explain how to use the materials (bike, GPS) and gives you complete details about your trip.

From Gaillac to Puycelsi

Your first day of travels will bring you to Château de Mauriac, home of painter Bistes, then towards Castelnau-de-Montmiral, a certified Most Beautiful Village of France. Overhanging the Vère valley, in the heart of Gaillac vineyards, is a walled village founded by the Count of Toulouse Raymond VII. Inside its church is a relic cross of the Armagnac Counts with 310 precious stones? After your visit, it?s time to go on to Puycelsi and its ramparts for the night (another certified Most Beautiful Villages of France). Check out the super surrounding vistas!

From Puycelsi to Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val

Take a moment to enjoy the ramparts of Puycelsi before crossing to the other side of the Vère Valley to reach another Beautiful Village, Brunique. Stone or wood homes with small towers, flowered balconies and bay windows, cobbled streets?There are a multitude of small details to explore at Brunique! This is a great spot for lunch. Then enter into the canyons of Aveyron to finish your day at the charming town of Saint-Antonin-de-Noble-Val, one of the oldest medieval towns to resist history. Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val and its surroundings where the set of the ?The hundred foot Journey? film (2014), produced by Steven Spielberg, Oprah Winfrey and Juliet Blake for Dreamworks Pictures.

From Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val to Najac

Today there is no warm up! You will quickly leave behind the riverside and climb to Saint Antonin before reaching the Abbey of Beaulieu en Rouergue. Then cross the peaceful countryside to again find the Aveyron River and a remarkable panorama to join your hotel. It?s along this path that you are awed by the natural spectacle that unrolls before you?
From Najac/La Fouillade to Cordes-sur-Ciel

Today’s itinerary leaves the wild canyon of Averyon to join Najac and its castle. The village homes with slate roofs stretch along the Gorges of Aveyron. Then cycle through the countryside to the Viaur Valley and climb the ropes to heaven (literal translation of Cordes-sur Ciel). This village was voted as France’s favorite in 2014! It’s an exceptional site with remarkable medieval architecture making it one of the most important heritages in Europe.

From Cordes-sur-Ciel to Albi

Today you leave Cordes-sur-Ciel to reach Monestiés, fifth and last village of your trip with certified Most Beautiful Villages of France. Monestiés circles around the Cérou River. An old stone bridge crosses the river just before the entrance of the former fortified village. You will then take the direction to your final destination of Albi. This city is remarkable for its orange brick constructions and red tile rooftops, almost reminds you of a bit of Tuscany. Albi will seduce you with its love for art and elegant lifestyle. Beautiful ending to your trip!

Departure

It is time to leave after a good breakfast. Or, continue on a few nights more to visit Albi and its area. Or continue on with your next trip along the Canal du Midi to the Mediterranean Sea!

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Normandy Hiking

Rich in both history and natural beauty, the area of this hiking tour is home to the Normandy landing Beaches and the Bayeux tapestry and several very popular coastal resorts. A perfect place for relaxing and exploring! In our program we worked out an itinerary which contains a lot of memorials, museums, sites, cemeteries and places of historical interest. Also you will walk through villages and hamlets, parks and gardens and will discover stately residences, manor houses and fortified chateaux. You will visit the beaches where the troops landed to begin the invasion of France in the Second World War, continue to be a very popular destination and there are various associated locations such as the war cemeteries and museums explaining the history of the 'debarquement' as it is known in France. Don't forget to relish the fabulous gastronomy of this area; Normandy is well known for its superb gastronomy, using its signature apples in many regional dishes.

Duration: week
Price: from 950 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Caen**

Arrival in Caen - the main city of the region and home of the WWII Peace Memorial. Check in to your hotel and then free time of your own choosing. A museum visit of the Caen Memorial is a highly informative and complete start of your tour. Orientation by phone in the evening and dinner on your own.

**Loop around Caen**

After breakfast, a taxi will transfer you and to the Battery Museum of Merville-Franceville-Plage sur Mer in the Calvados area, from where you follow a part of a local GR (Grand Randonnée/Long Distance trail) along the Orne River. During this walk you will, at several places, have a view on the sea of Sword Beach. The trail brings you via the fauna and flora of the Orne river estuary to the Benouville Bridge, renamed Pegasus Bridge where you can visit the Pegasus Memorial and museum, dedicated to the first liberators who arrived in Normandy on the night of 5th/6th June 1944. The west bank of the canal will bring you to Ouistreham where, on Riva Bella you will have an overview on the landing area of Sword Beach. Here you can visit the Atlantic Wall Museum, a former German headquarters. The Belvedere has an interesting orientation table and in front of the casino you can visit the Landing museum. Return to the hotel by taxi transfer and dinner on your own in town; suggestions provided. Breakfast included.

**Arromanches to Port en Bessin**

Today starts at an interesting point about 500 m east from Arromanches-les-Bains. On the descent to Arromanches you walk past Arromanches 360, a circular theatre where ?The Price of Freedom? is shown on nine screens. In the D-Day Landing Museum in Arromanches you learn about the construction and operation of the artificial harbors assembled in front of Arromanches on the days following D-Day. After a short walk along the cliffs we take some country lanes to pick up the trail to the Longues sur Mer battery site in front of Omaha and Gold Beach. More country road lanes bring you to Port-en Bessin. As soon as you walk in the town, the shipyard and trawlers of the fishing fleet will tell you that you are in important fishing harbor. After a taxi transfer to Bayeux, you may take the opportunity to visit one of the many points of interest of this town of art. The Bayeux Tapestry ?70 m long and 50 cm high, completed in the 11th century-is unique in the world. Other visits include the recently re-opened Musée de la Bataille de Normandy and Mémorial du Général de Gaulle. Dinner and breakfast included.
Loop around Bayeux

Colleville-sur-Mer, a nice quiet village will be our point of departure of today. A nice walk brings you to the see where we have a superb overview of Omaha Beach. You walk along the vacation resort and reach, after an uphill through a former battery site, the US Military Cemetery. You can visit the cemetery (172.5 acres), the chapel and the memorial dedicated to the youth of America. There is also a viewpoint which overlooks Omaha Beach. The GR brings you up to the coastline where you can walk on the beach (part of Omaha Beach) until les Moulins. Here again you have to follow the trail until the Omaha viewpoint and museum of Vierville-sur-Mer. Return to Bayeux and your hotel, dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, at your leisure. Trains from Bayeux to Caen and Paris possible. Breakfast included.

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Normandy WWII Memorial 4 Nights

In Normandy, an “artist's paradise”, wonderful coastline, woodlands and countryside combine to make a fabulous bicycle vacation. Of course, Normandy is also well known for the WWII landing beaches used by the Allied armies. There is much to see and remember here of that time. This region of France is also renowned for its dairy products, and the gastronomical delights won't disappoint. In addition to its cider and Calvados, Normandy produces the famous Camembert cheese. You're certain to enjoy this countryside as you bicycle through the green pastures and seaside towns, discovering the history that has made this area so famous.

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Itinerary

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Itinerary

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**Bayeux to Saint Marie du Mont**

A strong ride today from Bayeux to discover some of the most famous WWII sites in the area: Colleville-sur-Mer and Omaha beach. In Colleville take some time to visit the US Military cemetery, (172.5 acres), the chapel and the memorial dedicated to the youth of America. There is also a
viewpoint which overlooks Omaha Beach. After you continue to ride to La Pointe du Hoc, immortalized in the movie The Longest Day and after on to Carentan and Utah beach. Your hotel is near the town of St Marie du Mont, dinner and breakfast included again tonight.

Loop Tour to St Mere Eglise

A loop tour from your hotel will first focus on the Utah Beach landings close to your hotel, then move north toward the point on the coast at Quineville then inland to St Mere Eglise, and a visit the famous battery of Crisbecq, Azeville and the very famous village of Ste Marie du Mont. Then back to your hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

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Provence Secrets

This self-guided cycle tour will take you to places brimming with exceptional charm and history; places that make Provence a uniquely rich and pleasant to experience on bike. The route is an open invitation to discover the most beautiful sites and secrets of the region. You will marvel at the engineering feats of the Pont du Gard (UNESCO site), a magnificent symbol of Roman life in the region. From Uzes to Nimes you retrace the path of the aqueduct, an enormously important invention that allowed the settlers to flourish throughout the region. You will also discover the stories of Vincent Van Gogh and his life in Provence, cycling through and will the very landscapes that inspired his most famous paintings. At the Provencal markets, with their many indulgent scents and flavors, you will meet artisans who will share their local, handmade products, accompanied by a glass of wine sitting under the trees of the village! Throughout this holiday, the enchanting scenery and authentic personal moments will immerse you completely into another time, in a place of great beauty and profound character.

Duration: week
Price: from 760 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive and visit in Nimes

Your guide will meet you either at the Nimes train station or at your hotel before you visit the most beautiful sites of the city. Essential city highlights include Les Jardins de la Fontaine, the Maison Carree and the famous Arena, which will illustrate the rich history of this Roman city. After that, your guide will drive you to your hotel in the village of Collias, a secret location along the beautiful Gardon River. You will have plenty of time as you wish, to take a swim in the river or in the hotel pool. Dinner included.

Loop to Pont du Gard and Uzès

On your first day, the most beautiful places in northern Provence will reveal themselves to you. First you will start with a visit to the impressive and majestic Pont du Gard, which overlooks the river at a height of more than 165 feet! Arriving in the charming town of Uzes, you will enjoy lunch under the arcades of the famous spice markets where time seems to have stopped. No doubt, you will want to stay here. Luckily, you consolation is the gorgeous hotel for a second night. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Collias to St Rémy

Leaving Collias, you will cross the Gardon and its fabulous gorges to discover a magnificent panorama before arriving at the village of Cabrieres. Along the banks of the Rhone is the medieval castle of Beaucaire, a fortress that still bears witness to its distant and glorious past. Continuing on, you will ride to the beautiful village of St Remy de Provence where you will stay for 2 nights. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop St Remy to Fontvielle to Les Baux

Through the olive groves, your route will take you to the charming village of Fontvieille where Alphonse Daudet lived and wrote his finest writings such as 'Lettres de mon Moulin' or 'Le Tresor d'Arlatan'. After a short break under the plane trees, you will reach one of the most beautiful villages in France, Les Baux de Provence. This picturesque village and its medieval fortress overlook the Alpilles from the top of a rocky outcrop. The intoxicating perfume of Provencal villages is here: small squares, shaded terraces, narrow streets and charming boutiques! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Departure after breakfast

Departure after breakfast. Transfer back to Avignon (about 30 minutes) is included in the morning. Extra nights are possible, please contact us for a quote.

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Provence Classic 5 Nights

This Provence bike tour is a shorter version of our seven-night tour, this itinerary starts in Villeneuve-les-Avignon and visits the culturally rich countryside as far as Arles and back to Avignon - "Cite des Papes" ("City of the Popes").

Traveling on small roads away from traffic, it incorporates some of the most beautiful countryside in France. In Avignon and Arles you will find small streets and a maze of shops in the old town. In the summer, numerous festivals take place throughout the region. This tour has a number of wonderful attractions rooted in Roman origins and Provencal culture, up through the Papal dominance in the Middle Ages. The area is easily accessible by train from throughout France, and as well by air.

Duration: week
Price: from 790 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon

Today is arrival day and meeting day, which also gives the opportunity to explore Avignon, and the historical center including the Popes Palace. An English speaking team-member will welcome you at the hotel for orientation and bike delivery in the early evening. Dinner out on your own, we include several recommendations.

Ride to Uzes

The route will move out of Villeneuve-les-Avignon through the Gard forests and vineyards and to visit the famous roman aqueduct Pont du Gard which dominates the river at over 165 feet high. Swimming is possible in the river, as well as at the hotel that night. You will cycle on to Uzes, a beautiful Provencal village with plane tree lined streets. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Arles

Travel to the town of Arles, passing through mostly flat countryside except in the gorges around the Gardon River. You first ride to Collias at the confluence of the Gardon and Alson rivers. From there to Ledenon, famous for wine production, and then Meynes and its old fortified village. At Tarascon you can visit the Chateau and Souleiado Museum before going on to Arles. In Arles there is the extraordinarily well-preserved Roman arena, antique theater, and many museums, among which is one devoted to Vincent van Gogh. The ride is mostly flat but starts out rolling. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to St Remy

You may want to spend some time in the morning visiting Arles and the many sites to see in this old Roman town. Your ride goes to St Remy de Provence. The ride is not too long today, so in function of weather you can leave as wish. You will pass the Abbey of Montmajour and up to Baux de Provence. Take some time to visit the site of Les Baux, walk the old stone streets, and imagine what it must have been like 2000 years ago. After you will descend to St Remy where you can visit the town and see where Van Gogh made over 150 paintings. Ride with hills at Les Baux. Dinner and breakfast included.

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Ride to Avignon

Partez pour Avignon et traversez Graveront et Barbentane, où vous pouvez déjeuner et visiter l’Abbaye de Saint Michel de Frigolet, qui date du X siècle. Vous arriverez à Avignon dans l’après midi, vous aurez donc le temps de visiter la ville. Vous logerez dans la vieille ville dans un hôtel 4 étoiles charmant et également historique. Dîner non inclus, petit déjeuner inclus.

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Provence Hiking

This hiking tour combines the best of Provence from Les Baux de Provence to Gordes and includes history and plenty of culture. We combined history, antiquity, castles, crafts and traditions, gastronomy and natural sites. During 5 hiking days we discover Saint-Remy de Provence and the countryside around this lovely town, including the Sorgues Area, Vaucluse Hills and Luberon. If you lose your heart in one of these beautiful places, nothing stops you from extending your stay for one or more days. The routes are a combination of quiet country roads which allow you to appreciate the Provence villages as well as parts of GR-trails (Grande Randonnees/ Long Distance Paths). The daily distance varies between 15 and 20 kms (9 and 12 miles) and the hiking is moderate with some hilly terrain.

Duration: week
Price: from 1290 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: hiking
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon and we transfer you to Baux de Provence

Arrival in Avignon and we transfer you to Baux de Provence by taxi to a deluxe 5 star hotel and with a Michelin star restaurant. Les Baux is just above St Remy de Provence where you go next. The castle, towering over the village is one of the most visited places of interest in France. Castle and village offer fabulous panoramas, village monuments, museums, art galleries and workshops. Orientation by phone in the evening. Night and 1 star Michelin dinner included.

Les Baux to St Remy

A small route that is part of the GR 6 will take you along from the Citadel of Les Baux de Provence. We propose you to walk to the Val d'Enfer and its rock formations. You can enjoy a «son et lumiere» (sound and light) show in the old stone quarries of the Cathedral of Images. On your way back to Saint-Remy, there is a viewpoint indicator where you can overlook the area. A scenic downhill and the old Chemin d'Arles will guide you back to your hotel. originally a Greco-Roman town is now about 10000 population but a very famous place. 16th and 17th century architecture, museums, and great cuisine mark it as a must see. The monastery of St Paul de Mausole (Van Gogh was held here) and the cathedral deserve a visit. Wednesday morning is a market day, one of the biggest in Provence, so plan accordingly if you want to see it. Dinner and breakfast included.

St Remy to Eygalieres

The countryside east of Saint-Remy is dominated by the Alpilles (small Alps), a scenic small mountain range with a maximum altitude of 350m (1100 feet). At the monastery of Saint-Paul de Mausole you hit the trail that will lead you to the crest of the Alpilles at Eygalieres where you will stay the night. You follow the GR6 on a narrow path which is impressive and can be challenging. For some short sections you should use hands to climb over boulders but it's not too complicated. Your efforts will be rewarded with a wonderful 360° view! Then you will join Eygalieres, a pretty village between the mountain and the plain. It's a quaint town with some cozy outdoor cafes, typical Provenal shops and high quality restaurants. A short walk uphill will bring you to a chapel ruins with a bell tower where you have a great panorama viewpoint. If time, visit the remarkable Chapel of Sainte Sixte and its cypress trees. You will stay in a charming 3 star hotel with an optional up-grade, dinner is on your own. Breakfast included.

Isle sur la Sorgue to Fontaine de Vaucluse

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Transfer by taxi to Isle Sur La Sorgue, this old fishing town located at the parting of the Sorgue river. Antique lovers come to this town, especially for the Sunday market. See also the 12th century church and then hike on to Fontaine de Vaucluse also famous for a romanesque church and of course its «fontaine» or spring. Charming 3 star hotel, and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Fontaine de Vaucluse to Gordes

About 1km south of the village you pick up the trail that will take you to Gordes, awarded the Most Beautiful Villages of France. The homes, built of drystone architecture, are built on the rocky outcrop which overlooks the valley of the Coulon River and the Luberon Parc. On your itinerary you will have the possibility to visit the superb 12th century Romanesque Senanque Abbey still lived in by monks and open to the public but closed on Sunday mornings; surrounded by lavender fields. Charming 3 star hotel at the edge of the village, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Hiking around Gordes

A walk along quiet roads and dirt path of the GR6 GR 97 will lead you to Roussillon, also ranked among 'The Most Beautiful Villages of France' and famous for its red and gold ochre cliffs. On the way back you walk close to typical 'mas' (old farmhouse) of the Luberon valley. Same hotel in Gordes. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Transfer back to Avignon rail station. Additional nights can be arranged in Gordes. Breakfast included.

What's included

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Provence Classic 7 Nights

This Provence bike tour starts in Villeneuve-les-Avignon and visits the culturally rich countryside as far as the Mediterranean and back to Avignon - "Cite des Papes" ("City of the Popes"). This tour will find you traveling on small roads away from traffic. In Avignon and Arles you will find small streets and a maze of shops in the old town. This is also where many summer festivals take place. The tour has a number of wonderful attractions rooted in the region's Roman origins and Provencal culture, up through the Papal dominance in the Middle Ages. It is easily accessible by train from throughout France, and as well by air. This is one of our most successful tours as it combines the best of all that Provence has to offer and the riding is moderate and available to most riders.

Duration: week
Price: from 960 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: roadbiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon

Today is arrival day and meeting day, which also gives the opportunity to explore the many sites of Avignon. An English speaking team member will welcome you at the hotel for orientation and bike delivery in the evening. Dinner out on your own in a suggested local restaurant tonight.

Ride to Uzes

The route will move out of Avignon through the Gard forests and vineyards and to visit the famous roman aqueduct Pont du Gard which dominates the river at over 165 feet high. Swimming is possible in the river, as well as at the hotel that night. You will cycle on to Uzes, a beautiful Provencal village with plane tree lined streets. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Uzes Loop

A loop tour from Uzes and back to your same hotel. You leave in the direction of the north of Uzes into a green area of scenic roads and light traffic. You will ride through small charming villages such as Vallabrix, Saint Quentin la Poterie. This is like 'potters tour' with the chance to visit ceramic shops and a museum. Return to your hotel for swim in the pool. Note, if you are flexible, making this day a Saturday will let you experience the Uzes market day and let you see a fantastic Provencal market. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Arles

Travel to the town of Arles, passing through mostly flat countryside except in the gorges around the Gardon River. You first ride to Collias at the confluence of the Gardon and Alson rivers. From there to Ledenon, famous for wine production, and then Meynes and its old fortified village. At Tarascon you can visit the Chateau and Souleiado Museum before going on to Arles. In Arles there is the extraordinarily well-preserved Roman arena, antique theater, and many museums, among which is one devoted to Vincent van Gogh. Night in Arles. The ride is mostly flat but starts out rolling. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to St Remy
You may want to spend some time in the morning visiting Arles before moving on to St Remy. The ride is not too long today, so in function of weather you can leave at your desire. You will pass the Abbey of Montmajour and up to Baux de Provence. Take some time to visit this site. After you will descend to St Remy where you can visit the town and see where Van Gogh made over 150 paintings. Ride with hills at Les Baux. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop Ride

Today, is a loop tour day which gives you a chance to take a day off if you desire. The ride starts out flat and goes to the north before turning to Eygalieres and the Alpilles where it becomes hilly. You will pass through vineyards and olive groves with the chance to visit and taste. Overall this is a hilly ride but can be modified to be shorter cutting out hills. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Avignon

On to Avignon via Graveson and Barbentane where you can have lunch and visit the Abbey of Saint Michel de Frigolet from the 10th century. Arriving in the afternoon, you can visit Avignon. Dinner on your own, stay in a deluxe 4 star hotel in the center of Old Avignon. In Avignon old city tonight you are walking distance to the Palais des Papes, Place Horloge and Pont d'Avignon. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

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Bikes available on this tour

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- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
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- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Provence Vineyards & Lavender

A biking tour full of taste and flavors! Discover the wines of Provence, from the Rhone Valley to the Haut-Vaucluse area to the Drome and back to Ventoux area. Taste the grand wine of Chateauneuf du Pape, Gigondas, chocolates, and lavender flavored honey. Gourmet stages combine with astonishing visits along the Castle and Abbey route like Rochegude and Grignan; Roman art in Vaison la Romaine; the Dentelles de Montmirail, the fields of lavender at the foot of the Mont Ventoux, and more. Place of departure is Avignon from where you have a superb location to visit the sites of the historical center of Avignon. The tour loops out from there into the charming countryside with a finish in the Provençal village of Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux. Your itineraries are studied with care and patience; they avoid the traffic and look up the highlights. Last but not least, enjoy the select hotels and restaurants where you’ll be accommodated in charming lodging - we give you a choice of comfort, and typical country charm such as the unique manor house in Grignan, a 16th century mansion in Vaison la Romaine and a typical Provençal hotel in Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux.

Duration: week
Price: from 1450 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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If you choose to ride, you will travel to the lavender areas around Grignan to La Garde d’Adhemar. This village is a classical provencal village with exceptional beauty. La Garde d’Adhemar has preserved its medieval structure and ramparts and was originally colonized during the Roman era by veterans of the Roman legions in the 1st century. Return to Grignan. If you stay in Grignan, you can explore this beautiful 16-17C chateau and learn the story of Madame de Sevigne. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Vaison la Romaine

Vaison, a town of art, has a rich cultural heritage. It was built up in the middle ages and modern times but the town owes its fame to the ancieant Roman foundations and its ruins. La Romaine was added in 1924! Stay in an historic 15th century mansion in the center of town. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Bedoin

2 options:
Option 1: the easier ride, it passes through the wine villages of Gigondas, Vacqueyras, and Beaumes de Venise to finish in Bedoin (38km). Option 2 crosses the Dentelles de Montmirail involving some climbs (40km). A variant of option 2 is to ride Mont Ventoux, famous Tour de France climb fondly known as the Giant of Provence! This will add 25 km and at least 1-2 hours of climbing up to 1909 meters (approx 6000 ft). Tonight you stay at the edge of the village of Bedoin in a very charming inn. The scent of lavender is in the air during June and July in this countryside! Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure day

Breakfast is included and possibly some time to visit Bedoin before leaving back to Avignon. We will transfer you back to Avignon TGV station at 9:30am; allow 1 hour travel time before a train departure.

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Sardinia Island

Sardinia has always been a popular escape spot - not only for its beautiful beaches, but also due to its remote nature and land: the waters rival the Caribbean! This is an island for adventurers and the varied landscape is ripe for exploration. From the beaches to the mountains through forests and hilltop villages...Sardinia is not just a beach paradise, but a cyclist's dream as well. You will spend a week biking all around rugged Landscape of the island: from the west coast, Alghero and Bosa, to medieval villages and roman towns, such as SantuLussurgiu, then down to Oristano, rich in history, you can visit Tharros, a Punic-Roman ruins complex, and admire the famous beach IS ARUTAS, made by pure white little pebbles.

Duration: week
Price: from 1440 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Welcome to Alghero

Arrival in Alghero Airport and transfer to Hotel Villa Mosca on your own. Bike fitting to follow. The Sardinian town of Alghero is a lively and pretty city. It is famous because it has been dominated by Catalans and just here, some people even speak the Catalan language. The Mura Catalane (Catalan walls) still surround the old town center on the seaward side. The walls have towers and it is pleasant to walk along and have a drink at sunset before a fresh seafood dinner! Dinner on your own.

Cycle to Bosa

Bike ride from Alghero to Bosa skirting the coast. Leaving Alghero and pedaling on secondary roads you can admire the uneven north-west coast, shaped by Mistral wind, but no need to worry: the wind will be a tale wind. In Bosa you can admire the massive complex of the Castello dei Malaspina. Nature has done spectacular work along the coast of Bosa. The bastions overlooking the sea, the little, stony creeks and the wild scenery are all exclusive elements of this surprising landscape. Due to a series of quite unique events, Bosa has managed to keep its territory unchanged. They also produce a fine wine, Malvasia di Bosa, be sure to taste it! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Bosa loop in Planargia

Option A: 57 km easy. Starting from Bosa you'll climb to the beautiful plateau of Planargia, the homeland of Malvasia wine and where you can admire the particular white wine grapes that struggle to survive against the mistral wind. Continue cycling and you will arrive in Sindia and ride along the edge of Monti Ferru. Return to Bosa by crossing the terrific landscape of Porto Alabe.

Option B: 66km challenging - Round trip bike ride to Montresta, Padria, Suni, with an optional extension to Villanova Roccadoria. You leave Bosa biking upon beautiful highlands, viewing unforgettable landscapes. You will pass through Montresta la Greca, inhabited by descendants from Greece and admire from below the fascinating Monteleone Rocca Doria. There is the possibility, for those who want to ride more to visit Villanova Roccadoria, a wonderful town, perched in the top of the hill. This town was founded in the period of the Genoese domination (Doria was an important family from Genova), who ruled over part of the island during the low Medieval Ages.
Santu Lussurgiu, medieval town on a hill

Option A: 44 km easiest.
with this ride you'll bike along country roads passing through small villages and you'll see the famous Siete Fuentes water sources in San Leonardo, where you can relax in the woods. Soon you will arrive in Santu Lussurgiu, admiring, while descending, the great plateau of Ghilarza and much of the south of Sardinia.

Option B: 38 km shorter BUT challenging.
Leaving from Bosa, you can bike along the sea, to go then up to the inland and pass through characteristic little villages such as Magomadas and Cuglieri. You'll come across lots of Nuraghe and suggestive lands, such as the plateau right before arriving in Santu Lussurgiu, which has been built at the edge of the massive inactive volcanic mountain called Montiferru (iron mountain). Here you will find the Montiferru castle. The village in which you will stay developed around the small rustic church of Holy Cross (built in 1185 A.D.) and has the characteristic structure of an amphitheater, with ancient stone houses built in concentric configuration along winding and steep narrow cobbled lanes you will love to explore! Breakfast & gourmet dinner included.

Oristano and Fordongianus Spas

Option A: 59 km easy - Today is a pleasant ride through historical sites and wonderful landscapes. Leave Santu Lussurgiu and descend from the Monti Ferru volcanic area, you'll enter Paulilatino a little town where the old traditions of Sardinia are maintained by its residents. A few miles later, cycle on a gentle descent, you'll arrive in Fordongianus that rises on the banks of Tirso River. This village is important for the mineral water, baths and because it was an outpost of the Roman legions who fought against the barbarians of Sardinia. It is possible to admire the old roman ruins. Leaving the village, you follow the flow of the Tirso River to arrive in Oristano.

Option B: 67km challenging.

Cycle towards the seaside and cross small villages influenced by Sardinian-Spanish styles. You will see Domus de Janas, dolmens and menhirs. You will pass through Punic and Roman ruins and you will be amazed by the crystalline waters and sandy beaches in the area! There's also a particular rock formation that wind carved through the age, l'Arco di S'Archittu. Ride though the Sinis Peninsula and you'll arrive to the City of Oristano.

The town of Oristano is remarkable for its history who was founded with the foundations of another city, Tharros, in the 11th century. Enjoy the historical center of Oristano that is notable for its culinary arts. We can recommend restaurants which offer local specialties, like Bottarga or Sebadas.

Loop of Tharros and the Sinis Peninsula

Today leave for the peninsula of ?Sinis,? where there are plenty of ponds and lagoons and where, depending on the season, you will be able to see beautiful pink flamingos. You will pass through a lot of Punic and Roman ruins and you will be amazed by the crystalline water and sandy
beaches of the area. You’ll pass through Riola Sardo and then ride over the Cabras lagoon, visit the ruins of the Punic-Roman port city of Tharros with a breathtaking view. The tour will continue in Marina di Torre Grande where you can stop for lunch at the restaurant Da Giovanni and taste his unforgettable peppered mussels. Return to the hotel by the bicycle path.

**Departure after your breakfast**

According to your program, we can arrange accommodations and transportation. Breakfast included.

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Geneva and Lakes Region

This itinerary is the ideal route for families with children: safe routes away from traffic and gentle topography (no steep ascents). Lakes, rivers, wide open plains, tranquil valleys, cities and villages, you will discover the best landscapes of Switzerland. German and French: these are some of the contrasting dabs of color on the palette the picture of a typical trip through Switzerland. The scenery is certainly varied; the elevation on this route is relatively level and the sections in the "relaxed" version are barely ever longer than 50km.

Duration: week
Price: from 1320 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: hybrid bike
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Geneva

Welcome to Switzerland! We will meet you at the airport in Geneva to pick you up and take you to your hotel in the heart of the city. We have busy day planned for you, so we ask that you arrive before 2PM. Dinner on your own.

Ride from Geneva to Morges

Today you are on the road! You follow small country roads and vineyard paths to the Canton of Vaud with Lake Geneva always at your side. You've chosen our "lite" itinerary, and so fewer kilometers means less pedaling and more time to enjoy and explore the unique towns that line our path each day. You pass through the towns of Celigny, Coppet, Nyon, Rolle and St. Prex. They all deserve to be discovered, so stop and take pictures. Otherwise consider arriving in Morges early and tour the Swiss military museum housed in a 13th century castle on the lake, or begin your souvenir shopping early at the small boutiques lining Morges’ traffic-free streets. Your hotel is in the historic center, so everything is within a 5-minute walk?including the lake. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Morges to Estavayer

This morning you start north, away from the Lake Geneva. Unless you choose to do extra miles, today will be your longest day of riding. You follow the Venoge River through dark forests before reaching the open fields and yet wider plains. You may go off the path a few kilometers and allow yourself to be mesmerized and cooled down at the gorges of Tine de Conflens, where waterfalls and whirlpools spit beads of water at our wheels. Lunch is on the grounds of the majestic Castle of Sarraz. Bikers can take the castle tour and learn about medieval life, or immerse yourself in equestrian history and its world renowned Horse Museum which adjoins the castle.

After lunch you move into the flat and wide open plains of Orbe with the Jura mountains on your left and the Alps far in the distance on our right. Lake Neuchatel lay ahead and you will follow its banks to your final destination: Estavayer-le-Lac in the Canton of Fribourg. Once settled in, take time to stroll the narrow streets of this medieval village, have a dip in the waters of the clear blue lake or visit Switzerland’s only stuffed frog museum! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Estavayer to Murten
You will have an easier day today, so take time to enjoy the breakfast of fresh croissants and regional hard cheeses. Today’s itinerary can be adapted according to your interests. Touring southeast away from the lake, you will travel through the flowered lowlands to the regional hub of Payerne and its arcaded pedestrian streets. You’ll notice the very rich farmland of the Broye valley and although quite flat, the Jura’s silhouette is constantly casting shadows over the countryside. This itinerary brings us to the town of Avenches. Once known as Aventicum, it was the most important Roman settlement in all of Switzerland. Its amphitheater is still used for the Opera and Rock festivals held each summer. Or you can continue following the lake and its marshland to the wine routes of the Vully region. Here you will bike through the vines and stop as often as you like to sample the numerous varieties of grapes that go into these excellent wines that seldom leave the region, let alone the country. Your final destination is the town of Munchenwiler and its castle. Relax next to the pond on the chateau grounds, or coast a few kilometers downhill to Lake Murten and the medieval village of Morat. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Murten to Solothurn

After a breakfast fit for kings, you leave your castle and head north towards Lake Bienne in the Canton of Berne. You haven’t seen the last of the castles; however, the medieval villages of Landeron and Erlach are on your route this morning. You are now in the center of the 3-lakes region, the site of the 2002 Swiss Expo. The expo organizers, working to develop ecological tourism, invested in new bicycle paths, bridges and the rest areas that you’ll encounter on today’s ride. You may wonder out loud why there aren’t more bikers in this cycling paradise. It will be up to you to spread the word once back home! Once at the lake, you’ll see picturesque vineyard villages huddled and clinging to the high banks. You will follow the shoreline to the city of Bienne and from there you’ll continue east along the Nidau-Buren canal until you meet the Aare river. You’ll never be far from the water on this ride! When you reach Solothurn you’ll be able to continue contemplating the Aare from your hotel window which will directly overlook the river. But not for long, Solothurn is a baroque city and its period architecture is unrivaled in Switzerland. Time for a stroll. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. A train ticket is included for your return to Geneva (or anywhere else in Switzerland). Breakfast included. Option: An extra night in Solothurn is available with hike of the popular circuit trails at Weissenstein for a 3 hours hike. For this day, you will start by taking a short train ride to Burgdorf where a historic chairlift will carry you to the top of Weissenstein. This is "Solothurn’s mountain" (1400m) and you’ll enjoy the panoramic views of the Swiss Plateau and the Alps with a drink at the spa hotel at the top.

What’s included
5 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, Orientation in person with our local guide, Bikes available for rental, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times

What’s not included

Airfare to and from the trip, Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental, Lodging before and after the trip, Drinks, Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Alsace Wine Route

Alsace cycling travel is a unique experience as you explore a part of the region that is nestled between the beautiful Vosges mountains in France and the borders of Germany and Switzerland, Alsace is a region rich in tradition. Alsace is a combination of cultures and therefore charm. The famous Route du Vin (wine route) encompasses at least 100 wine producing villages between Strasbourg and Colmar, creating some of the best French wines. Also offers gourmet cuisine and has more Michelin star restaurants than any other region. Experience gastronomy in refined and traditional dishes like the famous baeckeofe. The beauty of its traditional architecture will surprise you with village after village of pretty half timbered houses decked with brilliantly colored flowers. Our bicycle tour in Alsace is very flexible, being self-guided, this bike tour can start any day you wish, April-October.

Duration: week
Price: from 1140 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Strasbourg

This city has easy rail access from Paris with the newly opened TGV line. Rail access from Frankfurt is also possible. Transfer to your Strasbourg hotel on your own and any free time is yours to explore this fantastic centreville. Orientation and bike set up with our local representative at your hotel. Old Strasbourg is typically cobbled walking streets, half timbered houses with carved stone porches and courtyards. Superior 4 star hotel and dinner on your own.

Strasbourg to Obernai

Start your tour by riding out of Strasbourg on a well marked bicycle path which makes getting out of this city easy. You ride south to Obernai through charming small villages and the start of the wine route. Discover some of the many castles and vineyards in the surroundings. Lodging in charming 4 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Orbernai Loop Tour

Today is a loop tour in the countryside around Obernai including Ottrot and the Mont St Odile. To visit: Mont Saint Odile monastery: during the Merovingian periods, Saint Odile, daughter of the Duke Adalric, founded a monastery here, which flourished. In the Middle Ages, the monastery was destroyed, then rebuilt by Herrade of Landsberg. Return to same hotel with dinner on your own. Some hills. Breakfast included.

Ride to Riquewihr

Today you will cycle to Riquewihr, a medieval town right in the heart of the Alsatian vineyards, classified among the 'Most Beautiful Villages in France'. For centuries this magnificent town has managed to combine the quality of its architecture with the quality of its world-famous wines, from where it gets its nickname 'The Gem of the Alsace Vineyards'. Nice 3 star hotel in the old town, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Riquewihr-Colmar
Ride from Riquewihr to Colmar, passing by Turckheim. Turckheim is a former fortified town. You can still see the remparts, which are exceptionally well preserved. The village also has several half-timbered houses, typical of the region. A nice ride through flowered villages like Kaysersberg including at the end, Colmar. You spend the night in a charming 3* hotel in the center of the city. Challenging option to ride to the area of the 5 chateaux. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Optional Ride or visit Colmar

Ride a loop tour into the countryside to little charming village of Eguisheim and part of the Alsace wine route. Back to Colmar, this is home town of sculptor Frederic-Auguste Bartholdi (best known for the Statue of Liberty). The well-preserved old city center houses several, sometimes large-scale buildings in German Gothic and early Renaissance style, as well as a number of old churches, among which the collegiale Saint-Martin (13th-16th Century) is the largest and most noteworthy. Same hotel, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

You have easy rail access from Colmar to Strasbourg, from where you can catch a train back to Paris or Frankfurt. Breakfast included.

What's included

- 6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
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- All luggage transfers
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What's not included

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- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
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Bordeaux and Dordogne Best of

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour starts in Bordeaux and then moves into the vineyards including the famous name of Saint Emilion on up to Bergerac. You then travel into the Prehistory region of the Dordogne, Les Eyzies and Sarlat. This combination is a 'best of' experience for a week timeframe in Aquitaine - some true highlights! You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris. The trip finishes in Sarlat from where you can take a small train to connect back to the TGV line. Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and the grottos of prehistory. You will pass through some old walled towns, see abbeys, and visit medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour!

Duration: week
Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Bordeaux

Arrive in Bordeaux - a large city with good rail access and commercial airline flights from several European capitals. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the wine museums and shops for local wines. Orientation in the evening at your hotel with bike delivery and set up. Dinner on your own - many choices.

Ride to Saint Macaire

Ride out of Bordeaux on bike paths all the way to the charming town of Creon, and then continue through wine country all the way to St Emilion. Discover this World Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become St Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Sainte Radegonde

Today you keep cycling east and head towards Ste Radegonde and will pass the St Genes de Castillon, a charming village surrounded by vineyards. Accommodation is in a comfortable 3 star hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Bergerac

From Ste Radegonde you will cycle through the vineyards to Bergerac, located on the Dordogne river, a large town with good rail access and services. This is your gateway into the famous Black Perigord. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the Maison des Vins - for local wines. 3 star hotel included. Dinner out on your own in Bergerac; some suggestions will be included Breakfast included.

Ride to Tremolat
A ride to one of the most famous vineyards of the region: Saint-Emilion! Discover this World Heritage site, with fascinating Romanesque churches and ruins stretching all along steep and narrow streets. The Romans planted vineyards in what was to become Saint-Emilion as early as the 2nd century AD. The town was named after the monk Emilion, a travelling confessor, who settled in a hermitage carved into the rock there in the 8th century. It was the monks who followed him that started up the commercial wine production in the area. Take some time to explore this charming town and visit the Tour du Roy which dates from 1237. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Les Eyzies

A lot to see and visit on this day, you have a choice of rides. Starting out easy you come to Audrix a small village by small roads and almost no traffic. Then down to Le Bugue and Gouffre de Proumeysac, and then on to Les Eyzies - capital of Pre-History! Take time to visit this very charming town and its sites and museums including the Font de Gaume. Font de Gaume is a cave that houses a collection of prehistoric polychrome cave paintings. Prehistoric people living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the mouth of Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The caves most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included, lodging is central charming 3 star.

Ride to Sarlat

Again, a choice of rides to allow you more time to visit. The destination is the very charming town of Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in town tonight; we include suggestions. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, trains from Sarlat connect to nearby towns and on to Paris all day long. We can help with added nights, car rentals, or other extensions to your travel. Breakfast included.

What's included

• 7 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star
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Brittany to Normandy

In Normandy, an "artist's paradise," wonderful coastline, woodlands and countryside combine to make a fabulous bicycle vacation. Of course, Normandy is also well known for the WWII landing beaches used by the Allied armies. There is much to see and remember here of that time. This region of France is also renowned for its dairy products, and the gastronomical delights won't disappoint. In addition to its cider and Calvados, Normandy produces the famous Camembert cheese. You're certain to enjoy this countryside as you bicycle through the green pastures and seaside towns, discovering the history that has made this area so famous.

Duration: week
Price: from 1390 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in St Malo

Arrive in Saint Malo. The town is easily accessible from Paris by TGV. You stay in a beautiful 3* hotel in the center of Saint Malo. Orientation in the evening and dinner on your own. To visit in Saint Malo: The walled city (La Ville Intra-Muros); The chateau of Saint-Malo with The Solidor tower of Saint-Servan.

St Malo to Mont St Michel

Cycle from Saint Malo in the direction of Cancale where you reach the coast after Cancale and can see all the oyster farms that make Cancale famous. You ride through the fisherman village of St Benoit des Ondes, as well as the Mont Dol, from where there is a beautiful view. On a clear day from here you can also start to see the Mont St Michel - Unesco World Heritage site and architectural marvel. Upon reaching this historical site, you have a 4 star hotel waiting to take you in. Leave time to explore the Mont and walk its tiny streets! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride along Coast to Granville

A good part of this ride is coastal with a trip around the Bay of Mont St Michel to Avranches where there are several worthwhile stops in this town that dates to the Roman era. Continue on the coast to Granville and a nice 3 star hotel overlooking the beach. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Granville to St Lo

The tour turns inland today to cut across Normandy to reach the beaches of D-Day. You will stop today at St Lo. Along the way you will pass the town of Coutances where you must stop to visit the Cathedral of Coutances, which is visible for many kilometers as it stands 80 meters (295 ft). At St Lo you have a very charming 3 star chateau hotel with dinner on your own. In St Lo you will find a virtually newly rebuilt city. The town near totally destroyed during the Battle of Normandy as St Lo lies on an important crossroads and was a regional German stronghold. The city is however rich in history and war has been part of the long history of St Lo. Breakfast included.

St Mere Eglise/St Marie du Mont

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This ride is mostly a flat to rolling ride coming up to the coast of Normandy where the D-Day landings took place. St Mere Eglise is an old settlement dating to the 12th century but is most famous for its role in the allied invasion of Normandy. Paratroopers famously landed here and fought some decisive battles that made this town the first, or among the first liberated. The movie The Longest Day depicts many events in St Mere Eglise. Your hotel is nearby in the town of St Marie du Mont. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop Ride to Utah beach

A loop tour from your hotel will first focus on the Utah Beach landings close to your hotel, then move north toward the point on the coast at St Vaast. Return inland or by the same route; you can ride more or less today or take more time to visit in St Mere Eglise. Same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Ride Bayeux via Point du Hoc

A slightly long route, you need to leave early to leave time for the important stops today. We suggest you cycle all the way to Point du Hoc, immortalized in The Longest Day, and then leave more time for the most famous WWII sites in the area: Colleville-sur-Mer and Omaha beach. In Colleville take some time to visit the US Military cemetery, (172.5 acres). Continue to Bayeux and your excellent 3 star hotel, dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

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What's included

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Burgundy Gastronomy & Wine

This cycling tour is the perfect combination of Burgundy's most important treasured assets: wine and cuisine - or more artfully referred to as Gastronomy! Starting in Dijon, a beautiful city with sites, history, and gateway to vine country, you will make your way across the vineyards of the most famous vignobles. As great wine requires great cooking, you will have many gastronomical experiences in the restaurants we include, but you can also venture out on your own to explore the many excellent choices available in both Dijon and Beaune. The cycling is moderate and is the perfect way to enhance your appetite for the best of Burgundy! This tour is a deluxe program of luxury for those interested in the best of the best!

Bicycle touring in the wine country of Burgundy is one of the most rewarding means of discovering the wine of the internationally renowned Burgundy name.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Dijon**

Arriving in Dijon, you will go to the centrally located hotel to receive your documentation and bikes for orientation in the evening. You can explore the town with your free time before and after. Night in 5-star hotel and dinner out on your own in Dijon.

**Loop around Dijon**

Riding today will take you out into the countryside of Dijon to get warmed up and to visit some of the nearby vineyards and sites including the Burgundy canal. Return to Dijon and your 5 star hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Dijon to Vougeot**

You ride into the Côtes de Nuit wine country today passing some of the most famous names in Burgundy wine such as Chambolle-Musigny, Gevrey Chambertin and Vougeot. Visit Château du Clos Vougeot and stay in your charming hotel with a gourmet dinner tonight. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Loop around Vougeot**

Loop ride day from Vougeot. Discover the Burgundy countryside and more vineyards of Hautes Côtes de Nuits at your own pace; as we propose 3 different cycling options. This area is the center for the region's Grands Crus. Mainly reputed for its red wines, it also produces a select few whites. Visit more vignobles and taste some of the produce at your leisure. Return to your same hotel and another gastronomic dinner. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Vougeot to Beaune**

Leaving your hotel you will pass through the lower vineyard area of Côtes de Nuits and into Beaune, the wine capital of the region. Leave plenty of time to explore Beaune and its many sites including the famous Hotel Dieu, and its many wine caves. You have a deluxe hotel in the town center tonight. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Loop around Beaune

A ride from Beaune to the south and the Cotes de Beaunes vineyard area. You will be able to visit Meursault, Puligny-Montrachet, Chagny, Pommard, Santenay and then back to Beaune. You will find many opportunities to taste and purchase; or when you return to Beaune you can taste some of the apppellations you visited by bike today !Breakfast included. Dinner on your own.

Departure Day

Departure at your leisure after breakfast. Additional visits and stays can be arranged as well as trains back to Paris with hotel.Breakfast included.

What's included

6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom, Daily breakfast at each hotel, 2 dinners included, Orientation in person with our local guide, Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT, Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets, 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people, All luggage transfers, Comprehensive trip literature, Technical and emergency support available at all times.

What's not included

Airfare to and from the trip, Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental, Lodging before and after the trip, Drinks, Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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Catalonia Mountains to Sea 5 Nights

From Olot area surrounded by mountains and volcanoes to the seaside in San Feliu de Guixols, you will discover on this trip the most beautiful and varied landscapes of Catalonia. Luxuriant green valleys, rivers, fields of sunflowers, vineyards, olive groves, coastal paths and unspoilt beaches not forgetting the medieval city of Girona this cycling tour captures the breathtaking beauty of this area.

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrival Day

We meet you at Girona Airport or train Station and take you to the mountain town of Olot where you will have a personalized orientation and bike fitting at your hotel. Dinner included.

Loop around Olot

Today you will explore the Garrotxa region around Olot, famous for its volcanic landscape. There is also a very good museum dedicated to the subject in Olot which is worth exploring. The Garrotxa's Volcanic Zone is the best example of volcanic terrain on the Iberian Peninsula. It has 40 volcanic cones and more than 20 lava flows. The mountain landscape, the sun and climate provide a variety of vegetation, often exuberant, with holm oaks, common oaks and beech trees of exceptional value to the landscape. An easier option takes you to Santa Pau before returning for your second night in Olot. Dinner and breakfast included.

Olot to Girona

From Olot (at 440m above sea level) the Carrilet Greenway is markedly downhill to Girona (at 70m) so you will Girona through the verdant countryside with very little effort! This route crosses through magnificent scenery of cultural value. It begins in the Garrotxa volcanic area and reaches the Ter valley and on to the pasturelands of Salt and Girona. Tonight you will stay in Girona where you will discover the old town (the Jewish Quarter) of Girona next to the magnificent Gothic Cathedral. Do not forget the tapas in the numerous bars and restaurants in Girona! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Rest day or loop around Girona

Today you can choose to stay and visit the nice city of Girona and make some shopping or ride in the charming villages in the countryside around the city. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Girona to San Feliu de Guixols

Following the cycle path, a converted railway line called 'El Carrilet', this ride brings you to the
Mediterranean Coast. You will arrive in Sant Feliu with its wonderful seaport and old monastery. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Departure Day**

After breakfast we will transfer you back to Girona train station at 9:30am. Breakfast included.

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**What’s included**

- Arrival and departure transfers from/to Girona
- 5 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel, 3 dinners included (no dinner included with the Upgraded package)
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

**What’s not included**

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Catalonia Best Of

From city to sea to countryside, this trip is the best way to discover the Spanish Catalonia. You will see it all; enchanting landscapes, medieval villages, and picturesque seaside vistas. The trip includes 2 nights each in 3 different hotels allowing you the time necessary to take advantage of each location with one or more rest day. And why not on the beach!

Duration: week  
Price: from 1190 EUR  
Level: Hobby  
Activity: biking  
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Girona

Our guide will meet you at your hotel where you will have a personalized orientation and bike fitting. Dinner on your own.

Loop around Girona

For your first day riding, you will discover the Catalonia countryside and the beautiful villages around Girona. You will probably have enough free time to wander around the narrow streets of Old Girona. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Girona to Sant Feliu de Guixols

Following the cycle path, a converted railway line called ‘El Carrilet’, this ride brings you to the Mediterranean Coast. You will arrive in Sant Feliu with its wonderful seaport and old monastery. Dinner and breakfast included.

Sant Feliu de Guixols to Llafranc

The route runs gently down to Castell d'Aro then on to the fishing town of Palamos where you could visit the Fish Museum on the harbor or wonder round the fish market. Then you will join the very nice Llafranc bay a lovely place for a romantic dinner on the beach. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Hike or Rest Day

Today you can choose to stay in Llafranc in order to enjoy a rest day on the beach or we suggest an hike along the coast between LLafranc and Tamariu. The steep cliffs, clear waters and lush vegetation surrounding the coastal fringe of the Baix Emporda make this area the maximum expression of the landscape of the Costa Brava. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Llafranc to Madremanya

This itinerary leaves the coast and brings you through a couple of medieval settlements like the charming towns of Pals and Peratallada. Pals is declared a Historic Artistic Site. In the Gothic quarter of Pals, pretty cobbled streets flanked by aristocratic houses await you. Do not forget to try the area’s cuisine, based on products from both the sea and of the mountain. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop around Madremanya

Today your cycle route takes you to Pubol. The castle in the village was bought by Dali for his wife Gala. The Gala Dali Castle in Pubol, open to the public since 1996, allows visitors to discover a medieval building in which Salvador Dali lent material form to an exuberant creative effort (through the paintings, sculptures and library collections) with his mind set on one person, Gala. After your visit, your itinerary will bring you to Ullastret and Puig de Sant Andreu in which is the largest Iberian settlement known in Catalonia. This place is now considered to have been a true town. Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure after breakfast

We will transfer you back to Girona train station at 9:30am. According to your program, we can arrange accommodations and transportation before or after your tour. Breakfast included.

What's included

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- Chocolate tasting
- Wine tasting
- Treasure hunt
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
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What's not included

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Croatia Istria Wine Roads

There is something magical in Istria, the largest Croatian peninsula, immersed in the blue of the Adriatic. Its green forests, historic hilltop towns, vineyards, olive groves and gentle rivers are a perfect combination of the beauty of nature, history and culture. When you add to this the seductive tastes of excellent Istrian wines, you just know that this is an area which offers you everything you need. Enjoy an easy bike ride and explore Istria, passing through the hidden medieval towns of Gronjan, Oprtalj, Motovun, and the former Roman colony of Poreč whose charm will leave you breathless. Passing through a landscape of hills framed by rivers, with forests, vineyards and olive groves, you'll enjoy every moment. Take a break at the winemakers and taste indigenous wines such as Malvasia and Teran, treat yourself to tasty delicacies and experience all the charms of Istria, this exciting Croatian wine region.

Duration: week
Price: from 880 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Arrive in Porec**

Transfer and meeting at your hotel in Buje where we will provide you with the package including hotel vouchers, bycicle with all equipment, maps and a road book. Our minivan will drive you to Buje from where you will start cycling the next day. Overnight in hotel "Casa la Parenzana". Rural house in heart of Istria, a peaceful oasis for relaxation and an ideal starting point for daily exploration of this beautiful area. Dinner included.

**Buje to Umag to Buje**

This tour starts with easy downhill ride to the coast on the northeast point of Istrian peninsula. There is a lighthouse which you can visit, according to the legend build by count Metternich as his love nest. Savudrija is one of the oldest lighthouse in the Adriatic, built in 1818. It is also the northern most Istrian lighthouse. Its building is 36 meters tall and there is a keeper living inside it.

The trail continues south to Umag. Little town with about 45 km of the coastline and interesting hinterland integrates special features of the whole region and might be the best introduction into a different experience of the Mediterranean. Umag's history is extremely interesting; it was founded by roman nobleman who decided to make it his summer residence. The glamour, magnificence and glare of the times can be seen today in the Venetian houses of the old town. City walls and fortification are partially preserved as well as some renaissance and baroque buildings and churches. Vineyards and olive groves will create an atmosphere of typical west Istrian landscape. Visit to wine cellar to taste the muscat, local sort of wine. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Buje to Brtonigla to Novigrad to Buje**

From Buje area you're cycling through Kr?ete picturesque village and arriving to small town Brtonigla. It has churches and monasteries from XV. century. Further the trail leads through vineyards and olive groves of Brtonigla area. Wine is very popular from this area (teran). Across endless vineyards You'll reach Novigrad where you can visit the olive oil production and taste some of the best oils, in one word taste Istria. Through Dajla and Karigador villages on the coast you're getting to Lovrecica venetian bishops coastal village. Following the road through ?krinjari, Babii and Buroli village you'll see traditional istrian houses. Road by the vineyard will take you back to your hotel. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Buje to Motovun**

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From Buje you will continue towards Groznjan. Typical istrian medieval town sprout high on top of a hill along the right coast of the river Mirna, renaissance loggia dating from 1585 and the beautiful St. Vitus and Modesto’s baroque church. If you just occasionally pass along its streets in which almost every door leads to art studios or galleries, and which windows from every direction echoes the sounds of different music genres, from classical to jazz, you’ll understand why Groznjan is known as "The town of artists". Oprtalj, unchanged urban medieval style of building, the narrow streets, the shops, the beautiful Venetian palaces, portals and covered passages, and particularly the unique view to the Istrian peninsula from the town loggia, according to many the most beautiful of Istria. From Oprtalj you are going downhill enjoying the view on Mirna river and eventually arriving in Livade, the truffle center of Istria where you can visit the local truffle shop and taste it in various forms. The truffle is a underground malodorous fungus believed to be an aphrodisiac. On the hill in front of the Livade is Motovun, surely the most famous and attractive istrian medieval hilltown. Around Livade is the Motovun forest which streches along Mirna River valley is especially rich with truffles. Overnight in hotel "Ka?tel" in Motovun.Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Motovun to Porec

This part of the trail goes from inland to the coast. It follows the road to Vi?njan where you will pass by an observatory. Its one of the 5 most famous observatories in the world. The road continues to the town of Vi?njan which is on 246m altitude and from there you'll be able to catch a view on west Istrian coast and the coastal town of Porec. In Vi?njan surroundings is posible to visit many wine cellars with wine from Porec area, especiaaly malvasia. Tour countinues to Tar, a little town on the hill above the sea and to Nova Vas village by the famous cave (which you can visit). after passing a few more villages the trail reaches Porec. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Porec to Vrsar to Porec

From Porec the trail starts with sightseeing the Euphrasiana, the most valuable monument in Porec, a church build in 6th century. Follow the road untill you reach the village of Bacva village. Bacva is the highest point of this stage and there is local restaurant with traditional dishes where you can enjoy tasting local food. It continues to southern villages and it comes down to coast in the town of Vrsar. With a commanding view of the coast, it was natural for Vrsar to become a defended fortress. Only parts of the fortification system, built in the 12th century, have been preserved but the fortress-castle used as summer residence of the Porec bishops, is well worth a look. After Vrsar the trail passes Funtana fishing village, Zelena and Plava Laguna touristic villages are the south doorstep of Porec. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Porec to Kanfanar to Rovinj

After breakfast you can choose to be transfered to Kanfanar or reach it on your own. Kanfanar is a small town above the Lim valley. From Kanfanar starts the flattest ride of all in this tour. Passing by istrian inland villages you will see traditional Istrian toolhouses (kazun). After reaching Bale you can
visit the Bebmbo palace, city square and museum. Continue to Rovinj and on the way you'll seed "Palud" an ornithological reserve in which you can cycle around. After village Kokuletovica you can turn in Monkodonja. Monkodonja is a prehistoric hilltown inhabited about 1800-1200 BC during the Bronze Age. After Monkodonja you will reach Rovinj, your goal of this tour, the "Pearl of Adriatic". With its church and belltower on the hill by the sea its very recognizable from all sides. Also called istrian Venice, old town which was once an island and then connected with land, famous for its traditional boat called batana. Restaurants with fresh fish combined with malvasia will complete this week's atmosphere. It will fascinate you. Everybody can enjoy Rovinj, its charm and magic. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

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Elbe River Trail 7 Nights

This superb trail leads you along one of the largest European rivers, the Elbe (total length 360 km), and through two countries, the Czech Republic and Germany. Starting in Prague, close to the river's source amongst the mighty Krkonose Mountains, you'll enjoy one of our most leisurely routes. Go zoom downhill and comfortably pedal on roads that are mostly straight. Like the majority of our cycling routes following water courses, this path offers beautiful views of the river and the surroundings. One very special highlight is the confluence of the Elbe with the Vltava River in beautiful Melnik, Czech Republic. Along the route, there are also many interesting monuments in the towns and villages that have historical centers protected to preserve their historical charm, such as in Vrchlabi, Jaromer, Hradec Kralove, Pardubice, Kolin, Podebrady and Stara Boleslav. In addition, there are a host of chateaux and castles you may choose to visit. For sure, you'll not want to miss the stunning palaces at Kuks, Vrchlabi, Kuneticka Hora, Melnik, Libechov and Decin before pushing through to the spa town of Bad Schandau and finishing your extraordinary adventure in Dresden.

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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## Arrival in Prague

Prague is the ?city of a thousand spires?. The Charles Bridge, the Old Town square and Prague Castle are all great places to visit. The Prague Castle is the largest castle complex in Europe and shouldn?t be missed.

## Ride from Prague to Melnik

You will be met by your tour guide who will explain how the tour works with the Road Book, GPS, hotel vouchers, emergency assistance, and answer any questions that you may have. After setting up your bike so that you can ride comfortably and efficiently, you?ll have a short transfer to the outskirts of Prague where you will start your cycling. The start of the tour sees Prague left behind as you cycle along the Vltava River, the longest in the Czech Republic. After passing the castles of Troja and Nelahozeves, the landscape will slowly change to having more vineyards. Once in Melnik, which is the center of the Bohemian wine growing region, it is worth tasting some wine in one of the many cellars. Melnik?s renaissance palace looks out over the confluence of the Vltava with the Labe, offering a nice place to relax and take a few photos.

## Ride from Melnik to Litomerice

Today's ride takes you from Melnik through Roudnice nad Labem, and Libechov, which has an incredible palace and garden. The next stop is in Terezin, which was a transit camp and ghetto that was used for Jewish and other Nazi prisoners during WWII. In this fortress town a memorial is maintained as a monument to the memory of the people who passed through. From here it is a short ride to Litomerice, which contains superb architecture and is the main town of the region.

## Ride from Litomerice to Decin

As you cycle along the river valley, be sure to look out for the ruins of Strekov Castle high above the river, and then continue on to the town of Usti nad Labem. Today's route finishes in Decin, which is at the border with the sandstone rock outcrops of the Bohemian Switzerland area.

## Loop ride from Decin to Hrensko with a hike to the Pravcicka Brana stone arch
Today’s ride goes through the interesting landscape of the Bohemian Switzerland area to Hrensko. Here you will cross the river for a walking trip to see the Pravcicka Brana which is the largest natural stone arch on the European continent. It’s the symbol of Saxon Switzerland National Park.

From Decin to Bad Schandau

Today’s ride, rather easy in length, continues through the unique landscape of the Bohemian Switzerland to the German border, then continuing on to Bad Schandau. You’ll be riding through forested river valleys that have been carved over millions of years by the Elbe, leaving intricate formations in the sandstone. Once you cross the border, this same Bohemian area changes its name to Saxon once in Germany. A hilly ride but can be modified to be shorter cutting out hills. Dinner on your own.

From Bad Schandau to Dresden

Continue through the sandstone formations of Saxon Switzerland. As you journey along the Elbe river valley you will pass the impressive Bastei fortification high above the town of Rathen. You’ll finish by cycling through peaceful meadows and precious wetlands on the way to Dresden, rounding off this tour perfectly.

Departure day

Sightseeing is recommended in Dresden after your breakfast. No visitor to Dresden should miss the Zwinger Pavilion, The Frauenkirche Church, the Semper Opera House, and the Royal Palace. Depending to your program and schedule, we can arrange accommodations and transportations before or after your tour.

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What’s not included

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Dordogne Multisport

The Dordogne department of the Aquitaine region, in the Black Perigord, and if you can get that, you will be delighted to visit the Quercy. Nevermind the geopolitical boundaries; the well known name of Dordogne is equivalent to famous cave paintings, remarkable chateaux, delicious food, rolling green countryside, and historic villages! What more could one vacation offer? Well on this tour it does offer MORE - more activities and so our Multi Sport version of our Dordogne Cycling Tour!
We offer cycling, hiking, canoeing, adventure park, and a treasure hunt to round out the activities on this trip. You get all the culture and a different point of view while having a lot of fun! Just like our cycling only tour, here on this tour you get to experience the force of water and the large rivers that have cut the limestone plateau and provided for all the now famous grottos that prehistoric man chose as his canvas. You can visit these grottos, explore the historic aspects of important towns such as Bergerac, Sarlat, La Roque Gageac, Beynac, and Les Eyzies. See chateaux, and stay in charming and welcoming country inns & chateau. All that makes Dordogne famous is available in this trip!

Duration: week
Price: from 1050 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day

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Arrive in Bergerac

Arrive Bergerac - a large town with good rail access and services. This is your gateway into the famous Black Perigord. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the Maison des Vins - for local wines. 3 star hotel included, orientation and bike delivery at your hotel. Dinner out on your own in Bergarc; some suggestions will be included.

Ride from Bergerac to Tremolat

A fairly challenging start to this tour, it involves some hilly terrain up to the viewpoint of Les Cingles de Tremolat. A scenic itinerary, you will pass through St Sauveur and the surrounding forests. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Les Eyzies

We will start the morning with an orienteering course to challenge your skills and then later you can take off on a bicycle ride to the capital of Pre-History. On the ride you’ll first stop at Limeuil, rated one of the most beautiful village of France. Then down to Le Bugue and then on to Les Eyzies! Take time to visit this very charming town and its sites/museums including the Font de Gaume. Font de Gaume is a cave that houses a collection of prehistoric polychrome cave paintings. Prehistoric people living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the mouth of Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The cave’s most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Night in charming 3 star hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

Bike & Canoe Day

In Les Eyzies there is much to do and see, but we give you an option for a canoe trip today that should still leave time for Les Eyzies. The canoe trip is accessed by bus to St Leon de Vezere near Montignac where you can embark on a 4 hour canoe trip back down to Les Eyzies. Back to Les Eyzies at the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Ride to Sarlat and Adventure Park

A nice ride that takes you to an adventure park where you can do some ropes courses in the tree tops and zip lines, a great time that you can do all at your own pace. Local French speaking employees of the park will help you with your harness and equipment. Afterward continue to Sarlat. This town with its cobbled streets, old roofs, and warm stone walls give an exceptional heritage. Sarlat is a medieval town that developed around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. The medieval Sarlat Cathedral is dedicated to Saint Sacerdos. Because modern history has largely passed it by, Sarlat has remained preserved and one of the towns most representative of 14th century France. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in Sarlat. Breakfast included.

Sarlat Loop to La Roque Gageac

Big day, cycling and hiking! A loop ride is planned today to La Roque Gageac, about 29 km roundtrip, a village with traditional houses nestled against the cliff sides and a town recognized as one of the Most Beautiful Villages in France. You will then leave your bikes for an 12km hike (roundtrip) to Beynac and the perched village and chateau high on the cliffside. Return back to Sarlat via Roque Gageac after collecting your bikes again after the hike. Leave some time to do our 'Treasure Hunt' in Sarlat this afternoon! This little program will teach you about Sarlat history and take you into out of the spots.
Night at same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Depart from Sarlat. Time for leisure breakfast in the morning and then departure on your own. For help with trains or other transportation, please contact us. Breakfast included.

What's included

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Dordogne Best Of

Beautiful chateaux, famous wines and terrific food: what more do you need to experience the real France? This cycling tour starts in Bordeaux and then moves into the vineyards including the famous name of Saint Emilion on up to Bergerac. You then travel into the Prehistory region of the Dordogne, Les Eyzies and Sarlat. This combination is a 'best of' experience for a week timeframe in Aquitaine - some true highlights! You will start in Bordeaux, which is easily reached by TGV or flight from Paris. The trip finishes in Sarlat from where you can take a small train to connect back to the TGV line. Discover this countryside mixed with vineyards, chateaux, and the grottos of prehistory. You will pass through some old walled towns, see abbeys, and visit medieval castles during an unforgettable cycling tour!!

Duration: week
Price: from 1490 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Bordeaux

Arrive in Bordeaux - a large city with good rail access and commercial airline flights from several European capitals. The historic city is very picturesque and offers visits including the wine museums and shops for local wines. Orientation in the evening at your hotel with bike delivery and set up. Dinner on your own - many choices.

Ride to Les Eyzies

Your first ride will take you to Les Eyzies, capital of prehistory, where Cro Magnon was discovered. Take some time to also visit the Font de Gaume, which hosts a collection of prehistoric cave paintings. Prehistoric men living in the Dordogne Valley first settled in the Font de Gaume around 25,000 BC. The cave was forgotten until the nineteenth century when local people again began to visit the cave. Paintings were discovered and date from around 17000 BC, during the Magdalenien period. The most famous painting, a frieze of five bison was discovered accidentally in 1966 while scientists were cleaning the cave. Dinner and breakfast included.

Ride to Sarlat

Since today is a short ride but your destination has plenty to offer, we recommend getting an early start to give you plenty of time to visit the charming town of Sarlat, a medieval town built around a large Benedictine abbey of Carolingian origin. Sarlat is one of the only towns in France which has kept its 14th century influence and feel! And if you happen to be there on Wednesday or Saturday morning, do not miss the wonderful local market. You have a 3 star hotel in the center of the historical old town of Sarlat. Dinner on your own in Sarlat where you have plenty of options. Breakfast included.

Ride to Lacave

Today you ride to Lacave and where you can visit the local cave. In this cave, the visit starts with a short underground train ride, at the end of which you will meet a guide to take you on a mile-long visit! On your way to Lacave, you can stop in Souillac and its Church of Sainte Marie. For those looking for a more challenging ride, you can skip Souillac and go directly to the Gouffre de Padirac, one of the most famous underground caves of France, with part of the visit by boat. Because it is out of the way (but worth it!) and quite popular, we recommend getting there as early as possible.
Tonight, you will stay at Pont de l’Ouysse, a charming 3 star property with a 1 star Michelin dinner included. Breakfast also included.

Ride to Rocamadour

After a longer ride yesterday, today is also a bit longer but can be shortened. Be sure to allow some time to visit Rocamadour, one of the most visited places of France, first as a pilgrimage destination, but also because of its beautiful village built on a cliff side. Do not forget to visit the Remparts, as well as the Rocher des Aigles where vultures, falcons and eagles fly free. You may want to visit a local farm producing and selling goat cheese, or just walk around the narrow streets of the village. Stay in a charming 3 star hotel, and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Carsac

Today, is a longer ride, so take your time riding along the Dordogne River for a quiet countryside ride. Your destination is Vitrac or Carsac, small villages in the Black Perigord. Vitrac is known for its Chateau and water sports. Your hotel for tonight is the very charming 3 star Villa Romaine with pool and restaurant! So enjoy an afternoon relaxing, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Belves

For your last ride, you will ride through some very scenic villages such as la Roque Gageac and Castelnaud la Chapelle. La Roque Gageac has the title of being ‘one of the most beautiful villages' of France! Built at the foot of a cliff, right along the river, do not miss its Exotic gardens and the trogloodyte fort. Several famous castles are on your itinerary as well, such as the Chateau des Milandes, former home of Josephine Baker, and the Chateau de Castelnaud la Chapelle, an impressive fortified castle overlooking the Dordogne valley. Stay at charming 3 star hotel with dinner on your own in town. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast, trains for Paris and other destinations possible. Breakfast included.

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Guadeloupe islands Guided Tour

Bike rides, walks, leisure, sun and sandy beaches in the month of March! Yes, France allows this, and even more, as a specialist in France we have an offer to stay on the French Caribbean Island, Guadeloupe! Come enjoy the comfortable temperatures that the French Caribbean offers. To get out of the winter, we have prepared an unforgettable stay in one of the most beautiful islands in the world where the key words are training, recovery, and relaxation. After your morning excursions (biking for cyclists and walking for the non-riders) in the middle of the sugar cane fields and banana trees, recovery and discovery will the order of the day to enjoy the warmth and romance of the long white, yellow and black sand beaches, its permanent sunshine and blue sea worthy of the most beautiful postcards. You will also discover rivers with clear water and waterfalls over 100 meters high. Guadeloupe is fascinating in its diversity, but also its people. Bring your smile, you will get back hundredfold and you will discover the kind people with a gift for happiness!

Duration: week
Price: from 2500 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Pointe-à-Pitre Airport

Your guide will welcome you in Pointe-à-Pitre airport and take you to your hotel in Saint François (Grande-Terre). Depending on the arrival time and your desires, a small stroll can be organized on a seaside road to Pointe des Chateaux. After a presentation of the team that will be pampering you and organizing your stay, a welcome drink will be offered.

Loop from your hotel and visit the distillery Damaoiseau

This is the day you first walk amid sugar cane fields and banana trees. We'll take the opportunity to visit the most famous rum distillery Grande Terre, the Damaoiseau distillery, founded in the 19th century by Monsieur Raimbaud. Of course, a small tasting will be offered to the fans of rum and adventure!

Loop from St. François

Today you head to the Chapelle de la Baie d'Olive and its olive green waters and the Porte d'Enfer, undoubtedly one of the most impressive and beautiful places of Guadeloupe. The afternoon will then be conducive to leisure and swimming on the many beaches of St. François.

Visiting Basse Terre and exploring the Cousteau Reserve

After a transfer by van to Sainte-Rose north of Basse-Terre, you will walk along the beautiful coastline and numerous sandy beaches to Mahaut. If you feel like it, take one of the most difficult climbs of the island, the col des Mamelles, a strategic climb of the Tour of Guadeloupe. Back in Mahaut for lunch at the seaside with the group, we offer the discovery of the Cousteau Reserve by boat. This tour allows you to explore the beautiful underwater world of this natural reserve and even enjoy a swim in its warm, clear waters!

Beach & sun!

Make the most of this day to rest and recover from your efforts. You can also stroll through the streets of Saint François to purchase souvenirs and discover the many local specialties. For more
motivated a morning outing will be organized to the Pointe des Chateaux on the road along the sea

Loop from your hotel to the Grands Fonds

Probably the least touristic area of Guadeloupe, the Grands Fonds nevertheless deserves we pay it special attention. The Grand-Fonds is a spectacular set of landforms, unique in the world along with the Dolomites in Northern Italy and Vietnam. You will love the variety of landscapes in this ride!

Marie Galante

This is the last day of your stay but certainly the most beautiful! You will take the boat to Saint Louis, the main city of the beautiful island of Marie-Galante. On quiet roads you will discover its white sand beaches which are among the finest in the Caribbean! You cannot leave without tasting a glass of rum from Marie-Galante, who it said, gathers the best rums in the world!

Departure day

After breakfast, your guide will take you back to the airport. During the trip you can share your memories and no doubt you will already have in mind your next stay in Guadeloupe!

What's included

7 nights in 3 or 4 stars - hotels with swimming pool, All breakfasts, All dinners, Qualified guides, Bike rides of roughly 80km, the afternoon will be dedicated to exploration, swimming and rest, Vehicle for transfers and technical assistance, Roadmap presenting the routes for the week as well as tourist information, All transfers in the program presented below, Cousteau Reserve and Marie Galante by boat, Tourist taxes

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mountainbike
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tandem
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Holland, or the Netherlands as it is officially known, is a very bicycle-friendly country. The way that cycling is included in the traffic systems, the general small scale of everything and the flat terrain all contribute greatly in providing the perfect conditions for a stress-free tour! On this tour you will pedal your way through different types of landscapes, each with its own cultural and historical characteristics. From April to the first week of May, this tour will leave from Haarlem (instead of Abcoude) in order to admire and ride through the innumerable tulips fields between Haarlem and Leiden!

**Duration:** week  
**Price:** from 1585 EUR  
**Level:** Hobby  
**Activity:** biking  
**Date:** Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival in Amsterdam

Amsterdam is famous for the Rijksmuseum, the Van Gogh Museum, Anne Frank house, its beautiful canals and of course, its vibrant atmosphere. We recommend that you visit the city before your cycle tour, taking public transport (train and tram).

Transfer to Abcoude then ride to Leiden

You will be transfered to Abcoude where you will meet us to handout equipment and to give a thorough explanation of the tour. First day the bike tour goes from Abcoude to the historic town of Leiden, one of the most beautiful towns in Holland. This day the tour goes through typical Dutch lowlands, with quiet bike lanes, lovely canals and windmills on the route. Option with supplement (40eur) : From April to the first week of May, you will have the possibility to leave from Haarlem (instead of Abcoude) in order to admire and ride through the innumerable tulips fields between Haarlem and Leiden!

Leiden to Delft

On third day the tour goes from Leiden to Delft (famous for its blue pottery). Along the coastal bike path through lovely sand dunes towards the governmental town of the Hague. In the Hague there are a lot of interesting museums and national and international highlights to visit. From the Hague finally to the beautiful town of Delft to stay the night.

Delft to Brielle

Third day the tour leaves towards the harbour of Rotterdam. Along quaint villages and along a lovely canal. Pass the harbour of Rotterdam by a ferry crossing and by then it's a small ride to the picturesque village of Brielle to stay the night.

Brielle to Zierikzee

The trip enters the Zeeland province, well known for its highly innovative infrastructural dams and dikes to protect this area against the sea. The tour will be a mixture of farmland, coastal areas and a
ride over the dikes and dams. Finish this day will be in the beautiful historic town of Zierikzee.

**Zierikzee to Middelburg**

Today the tour goes in the direction of Middelburg a jewel to stay and to stroll around. A lovely day along the coast towards the village of Veere and finally to Middelburg.

**Welcome to Belgium !**

Last day people will peddle along a canal to Vlissingen to take the ferry to Breskens. By then towards the lovely village of Sluis and by entering Belgium it will be a small trip finally to Brugge.

**Departure day**

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Connemara Best Of

From April 1st to October 30th.
This tour takes in the highlights of Connemara, Joyces Country and South Mayo. The starting point and your first night's accommodation location is Clifden. This colourful town is often labelled the metropole of Connemara.
The loop ride takes you around the coast to Augrusbeg and Cleggan and out along the Sky Road. Leaving Clifden you will ride to the Lough Inagh Valley via Roundstone. From there we travel to Kylemore Abbey and Leenane on the shores of Killary Harbour into the beautiful Delphi Valley. From here you turn east into the Maam Valley and Joyce's country to finish in the quaint village of Cong located on Lough Corrib and served as location for the film the Quiet Man and home to Ashford Castle (one of Ireland's finest hotels with magnificent park). The last day is an easy ride through the East Galway countryside to Galway, a bustling historic city. The tour is suitable for riders of all levels.

Duration: week
Price: from 1290 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival in Clifden

Arrive in Clifden. Depending on arrival time we will meet you in the evening or first thing the following morning adjust the bicycle for you and talk you through the week ahead. If you arrive early, enjoy a day out of the saddle perhaps go horseback riding, kayaking or deep sea fishing. Dinner included tonight.

Loop ride from Clifden

Today's cycling is a wonderful ride out along the Sky Road to enjoy some sublime coastal scenery. Along the way walk to the ruin of Clifden Castle. For the more enthusiastic rider you can continue along more coastal scenery to Claddaghduff and Aughrusbeg before returning to Clifden via Roundstone.

Clifden to Kylemore

Leave Clifden behind to cycle through the beautiful Lough Inagh Valley to Kylemore, where you may like to visit Kylemore Abbey before heading to your hotel for dinner and a drink at the bar. Enjoy some traditional music and 'craic' (Irish word for fun!) in some of the local pubs. Dinner included tonight.

Kylemore to Leenane

Take in a visit of the Connemara National Park before cycling along the beautiful coastline to Leenane. This small village is located on Killary Harbour, Ireland's only fjord. It was also the location for the film 'The Field'. Stay for 2 nights in a 3* hotel. Why not visit the Killary working sheep farm, or take a cruise down the fjord, on your travels. Dinner included tonight.

Loop ride from Leenane

Today is a most beautiful ride along the northern shore of Killary Harbour into the Delphi Valley with its beautiful lake Doo Lough. Turn towards Drummin before returning to Leenane. Consider taking a seaweed bath at the hotel to relax after a day's cycling!
Leenane to Cong

A beautiful and gentle day in valleys of Connemara and Mayo on very quiet roads, as you cycle along the lakes of Lough Mask, Lough Nafooey and Lough Corrib. Finish in the quaint village of Cong, location for the film 'The Quiet Man' with Maureen O'Hara and John Wayne. Visit Cong Abbey founded in the 12th century as well as the Monk's House. Ashford Castle Hotel on the shores of Lough Corrib invites you to enjoy cream tea in its magnificent setting. Stay in a 4* hotel.

Cong to Galway

A last day of cycling and the route takes you on quiet back roads to the small town of Headford, passing by the wonderful ruin of Ross Errily Friary. Continue to cycle southwards through the pastoral areas of East Galway before arriving in the vibrant City of the Tribes (as Galway is also called). A partial transfer to shorten the tour to 40km can be arranged. Accommodation is in a 3* hotel.

Day 8: Departure day

Breakfast, followed by farewell and departure for your onward journey.

What's included

- 7 nights Bed and Breakfast with private bathroom
- Daily full Irish Breakfast
- Private bathrooms
- Daily buffet breakfast
- 3 dinners
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip)
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Ring Of Kerry

The Ring of Kerry abounds in natural wonders and the beauty and grandeur of the scenery is unsurpassed by any in Ireland. Starting in the town of Killarney made famous by the magnificent "Three Lakes of Killarney" the "Ring" then continues anti-clockwise through Killorglin, Caherciveen, on to Waterville and Sneem before returning to Killarney. 

We, however, find this route to be "over-run" with tourists and therefore unkind to cycles so for that reason we suggest a much more leisurely and quieter mix of inland and coastal routes to give you just the same beauty and splendour if not more!

Duration: week
Price: from 1020 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrival in Killarney

Arrive in Killarney and check into your B&B. Collect your bicycles and Information pack with route description and map from the proprietor. If you have time take the short circular cycle to Muckross House and Killarney National Park and then back to Killarney for your overnight stop.

Killarney to Glenbeigh

Leaving Killarney you'll cycle west under the foothills of Ireland's highest mountain, Carrantuohill, around the beautiful Caragh Lake before heading to the picturesque village of Glenbeigh and your overnight stop.

Glenbeigh to Caherciveen

Heading west from Glenbeigh, today's route takes you to the peaceful and tranquil shores of Kells Bay. From here you'll continue on west finishing the day's ride outside the town of Caherciveen overlooking Valentia Island. You'll spend two nights in Caherciveen.

Rest day

Today you have a free day. You can arrange a boat trip to the famous 6th century Skellig Island or as an option if the weather does not allow you to take the ferry over to Valentia Island and cycle around this lovely little island that is steeped in history. A hike option will also be available.

Caherciveen to Kenmare

From Caherciveen, today's ride takes you on one of the most glorious routes imaginable. An inland trip through the Inny Valley and the legendary Ballaghisheen and Ballaghbeama passes offering spectacular views as you descend to the southern shores of the peninsula and Kenmare and your stop over for the next two nights.
Kenmare circular route

Leaving your Kenmare B&B you can enjoy a lovely circular ride over to the Beara Peninsula and around Lough Inchiquinn before returning back to Kenmare. As an option you can continue on to Glengarriff and return to Kenmare through Turner’s Rock tunnel road. It is hard to imagine that two peninsulas so close together geographically can be so different in landscape and appearance; today gives you the opportunity to see this contrast first hand.

Kenmare to Killarney

Today you cycle along backroads to the famous Molls Gap offering wonderful views over the spectacular Three Lakes of Killarney. From here you continue cycling to the Black valley and through the renowned Gap of Dunloe before returning to Killarney for your final night.

Departure after your breakfast

After a final breakfast and farewell you leave your bicycle behind you and follow your own arrangements for your onward journey. According to your program, we can arrange accommodations and transportation before or after your tour.

What's included

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Languedoc Carcassonne to the Coast

This trip will begin in the wonderful medieval city of Carcassone. It is a UNESCO world heritage site near the Mediterranean Sea. The tour ends in the charming village, Collioure. The initial stages will be the most strenuous, as there are a lot of valleys. The essential first stop is at Limoux to taste the famous bubbly white wine, named after the town; Blanquette de Limoux. Enjoyed with a chocolate dessert, it is a real treat. You will then discover the tranquil and paradoxically wild landscape of the Hautes Corbières. There are breathtaking views with delightful villages nestled among rows of vines and majestic castles; Château de Queribus and Château de Peyrepertuse perched high on hills in the Cathare countryside. The final cycling stages are less labourious. You will be by the sea enjoying the Cote Vermeille for one day where you can visit Collioure. This is a Catalan port sheltered in a creek where the Mediterranean waters meet the Pyrenees Mountains. With an exceptional climate and guaranteed sunshine, Collioure is a unique spot, the source of Catalan know-how and way of life. Stone and sandy beaches, creeks and crystal clear water will entice you to a refreshing swim. What better way to end your holidays!

Duration: week
Price: from 1090 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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**Bienvenue ! Welcome to Carcassonne**

Our guide will meet you at your hotel. Weather permitting you can try your bicycle along the famous Canal du Midi. You can dine and discover the fascinating medieval city of Carcassonne, a UNESCO world heritage site. Dinner on your own.

**Carcassonne to Couiza**

On your first day of cycling you will travel south through grapevines to the village of Limoux, renowned for its famous Blanquette (bubbly white wine). On this stop you can taste it. You will then need fresh legs to climb some hills before to join the village of Couiza for one night in a magnificent 16th century historically classed château. Gastronomic dinner included. Breakfast also included.

**Couiza to Cucugnan, the Cathar Castles!**

This route between the Pyrenees and the wild Corbieres traverses the beautiful Hautes Corbieres countryside with the Pic de Bugarach 1230m. Here you will see the famous Citadelles du Vertige, the Queribus and Peyrepertuse Castles deeply embedded in the epic Cathar history. The uphill challenges are well compensated with the awaiting breathtaking panoramic vistas. Evening meal included as well as breakfast.

**Cucugnan to Thuir**

You will leave the Corbieres passing in front of the Padern Castle on its rocky peak and you will go towards the village of Tautavel where there is the European Centre of Prehistory. After this visit there are some more hills to climb before reaching Thuir. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Thuir to Collioure**

Before leaving Thuir we would recommend a little detour (+11kms) to Castelnou, a charming village classed among the Most Beautiful French Villages. Today's itinerary is easier than the previous days. Faced with the Pyrenean summits and then go on the beach at Argeles sur Mer, and the magnificent village of Collioure, where a well-deserved swim can be enjoyed. Dinner on your own.
Breakfast included.

Last day is at your own pace, walking and relaxing on the beach!

On your last day you will have the choice of visiting Collioure, a snooze on the beach or else a walk through the vineyards which surround the sea. The splendid landside is there to be enjoyed. It is the ideal spot to end your trip and return home with lots of special memories. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Depending on your wishes and plans, we can arrange additional accommodation or transportation before or after your tour. Breakfast included.

What's included

- 6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 2 dinners included
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Languedoc Multisport

Discover sunny Languedoc on another fabulous route that takes you off the beaten path - once again! This is our playground - our office is just a few kilometers away! On this tour we take you immediately to the beach at La Grande Motte and then inland. We will hit some little towns in the low hill country which also offers some great mountain biking - not technical but single track fun. You make your way to the charming village of St Guilhem le Desert with its medieval old town and pedestrian alleys. The cycling will do some canoeing and hiking there and then return to Montpellier for a treasure hunt with a cultural discovery theme. The tour starts with an easy arrival in Montpellier - accessible by train or plane. We meet you and take you to a very comfortable beach hotel in La Grande Motte.

Duration: week
Price: from 1250 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Montpellier & we transfer you to La Grande Motte

Arrive in Montpellier and we will transfer you to La Grande Motte to start your multisport bike tour. Upon arrival you will have orientation by our staff, and then you can explore the town or go to the beach. Dinner on your own.

Ride to Sommieres

For the first ride day of this tour you will be a moderate hybrid bike ride to the little town of Sommieres in the quiet countryside. The little medieval town of Sommieres, with a much-modified Roman bridge, is where Lawrence Durrell spent the last years of his life. The town itself boasts no major sights, though its well preserved and has some charming ambiance in the center. A visit to the castle of Vieilleville (April-Nov afternoons), on the hillside 3km above Sommieres, should not be missed. Owned by the same family for nearly eight hundred years, the castle is full of exquisite antique furniture. Charming 2 star hotel with dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Mountain Bike loop around Sommieres

Today you have a mountain ride in the extensive trail network around Sommieres. A combination of single track and double track will give you a sense of the nature and vegetation common in the region. Somewhat hilly, the ride is not technical but requires some short climbs and offers some fast and fun downhills and chutes. Return to Sommieres and the same hotel as last night. Dinner on your own again in town; we will include suggestions for both nights. Breakfast included.

Ride to Lauret

Back on the hybrid bikes today, your ride to the town of Lauret with a stop at an Adventure Park! After breakfast, you leave Sommieres on the road again, but nice quiet back country roads perfect for a leisure ride. On your way, you can stop at an adventure park where you will put a harness and climb into the trees for some ladder courses, rope courses, and zip lining! These parks, known as accrobranche in France are lots of fun and offer activities not at all common. You should be ok at heights knowing that with the harness you are perfectly safe. Overnight in Lauret, a small village near the Pic St Loup, staying in a charming auberge with dinner and breakfast included.
Ride to St Guilhem le Desert

Another hybrid bike day brings you to the charming village of St Guilhem; arrive early to explore this fabulous village. Dinner included; and then after go to the central plaza for cafe or drink of your choice to soak up the ambiance of village dating to the year 804! The village is a UNESCO classified village and is a well known spot on the Camino de Santiago not only for its Abbey, but also because it is built in a narrow valley. Breakfast and dinner included.

Hiking and Canoe Trip

You will return to the same hotel again tonight, so today you can enjoy a hike from the hotel and upon return you will have the chance to do a 2 hour canoe trip on some mostly calm river waters near to St Guilhem. Hiking is 10 or 14km, your choice. Breakfast and dinner included.

Ride to Montpellier

For your last ride, you will return to Montpellier, capital of the Languedoc region. Built in the 1040s, Montpellier quickly became known for its trade with the Orient, and its medical schools. With winding streets that date back to the Middle Ages and ultra-modern facilities such as the indoor Olympic sized swimming pool, skating rink, planetarium, and tramway system, Montpellier has something for everyone. When you get to the hotel, you will have waiting for you the instructions for your treasure hunt! This is a chance to learn about Montpellier and visit at the same time. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

You are free to leave anytime after breakfast. Extra nights can be arranged. Trains depart in all directions throughout the day. Breakfast included.

What's included

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mountainbike
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Loire Valley 4 nights

The valleys of the Loire, Cher and Indre rivers are a harmonious combination of non navigated rivers, rich vineyards and vast forests. Discover the landscapes, unspoiled nature, beautiful gardens and breathtaking castles of the Loire Valley on your bike. The terrain is wonderful for bicycle riding - mostly flat to rolling - and is filled with rivers, trees, and colors.

Duration: weekend
Price: from 590 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Amboise

Arrival in Saint Pierre des Corps-Tours TGV station, located only 1h from Paris by train. You can also take a train to Amboise directly, about 2h from Paris. Transfer on your own to Amboise and settle at your charming family run hotel 5 minutes from the center of town. Orientation and bike set up tonight. Dinner included tonight. About nearby Vouvray wines: Vouvray is the largest white wine appellation of the Anjou-Saumur-Touraine region and it produces splendid wines from the dry and austere to the richest dessert wines, as well as excellent sparkling wines. Dinner included.

Amboise to Chenonceau and return

A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the fabulous Chenonceau castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the XVIth century over the Cher river and improved by Catherine de Medici. The castle hides several pieces of historical interest, furniture and tapestries. Ride back to Amboise for a moderate trip. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Blois

Depart from Amboise and ride through many small villages, stopping at privately owned chateaux on the way. For lunch, why not stop at the famous Gardens festival and Chateau of Chaumont for a picnic followed by a visit! Then you will either go on a short and quiet ride to Blois or choose the longer option riding through sunflower fields and deep countryside of the area to visit more chateaux such as Fougeres and Beauregard. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Chambord and Blois

Today, you will again have 2 ride options. The short option takes you to the famous Chambord, where you can enjoy the magnificent architecture and unique features. Then you can enjoy a chocolate tasting in a chocolate factory in a nearby charming village before heading back to Blois with a stop at the Chateau de Villesavin. On the longer option, after Chambord, you will continue south to the Chateaux of Cheverny, Troussay and Beauregard. Those are easy rides on flat terrain, just enjoy the scenery imagining how and why the kings chose this area as their vacation place! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Today is departure day, you can take your time getting started in the morning to have breakfast and depart at your leisure from Blois by train for Paris or other destination. Breakfast included.

**What's included**

- 4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
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- 1 dinner included
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Loire Valley Multisport

The Loire Valley from a different point of view! How many people see the Castle of Chenonceau from a canoe?! You can on this trip; as well as experience zip lining, cycling, and hiking! Discover the old town of Tours on an easy orienteering course, and taste some local chocolates in Amboise. The tranquil waters of the Loire, Indre, and Cher rivers flow through the heart of this scenic region known for its vineyards, orchards, and magnificent castles. This multi activity trip still takes you to the highlight castles, villages, and allows you to experience the best of the Loire but in a totally different way! For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures images from the fairy tales of childhood. This tour starts in Amboise, an important cultural town with both a castle and historical sites. The program will take you to chateaux that are visiting such as Chenonceau and Azay le Rideau, and also the kind you stay in if you choose to upgrade. You will also visit some important wine regions and have the chance to explore some well known gardens.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: multisport
Date: Starts any day

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Itinerary

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Arrive in Amboise

Arrive in Amboise and transfer on your own to your hotel, located 5 minutes from the city center. We recommend arriving early so you have time to visit the city using one of the different walk options left at the hotel for you. Orientation and bike set up tonight. Dinner included.

Amboise to Chenonceau

Canoeing and chocolate tasting! A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the fabulous Chenonceau Castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Once at Chenonceau, ride to Civray, just a mile away to start your canoe ride! You will drop off your bikes there, and they will take you to the start of the itinerary. You will then canoe downstream for almost 2 hours, and pass under the Chateau de Chenonceau. Pick up your bikes and ride back to Amboise where you can enjoy a reward: a chocolate tasting in front of the chateau of Amboise! Return to the same hotel and dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Amboise to Tours

Amboise to Tours and orienteering around the city! Following bike paths out of Amboise, you will first ride through the vineyards of Montlouis, a famous white wine appellation. Then continue, to the city of Tours (bicycle friendly!) where you can enjoy a nice lunch and try our orienteering to discover "Le Vieux Tours" the original medieval district of the city. Unique to the Old City are its preserved half-timbered buildings and La Place Plumereau, a square with busy pubs and restaurants, where terraces fill the center of the square. Walking around Tours. Night in the center of town, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Tours to Azay le Rideau

Your first ride, once again on an easy road for bike, will take you to Savonnieres and then to the famous gardens of Villandry, which were designed to be in complete harmony with the Renaissance architecture of the chateau. Then you will continue to Azay-le-Rideau, your final destination for today, famous for its Chateau on the Indre River, originally built in the Middle Ages to protect the passage from the road going from Tours to Chinon. The long option gives you the opportunity to visit Sache, chateau of the famous writer Balzac. Night in a charming hotel with dinner and breakfast.
Ride to Chinon

Chateaux Day! Today the itinerary will take you through more Medieval Chateaux. First stop in Langeais, where the Chateau was the temporary lair of lawless armed bands during the Hundred Years War. After this Chateau, continue to a different theme, Chateau of Usse, a fairytale castle which is reputed to have inspired the story of Sleeping Beauty! Finally, you will head to Chinon where you will spend the night and where you can taste some of the local wine, made famous in the writings of Francois Rabelais. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Hiking, Biking and Adventure Park Options

Loop around Chinon with different options: riding, walking or Adventure Park! Today the choice is yours! We offer 3 different options for activities depending on your preferences! Hiking: A nice hike of 8.5 or 13km will take you around Chinon through its vineyards and back. Biking: ride through sunflower fields and vineyards to take in your last peaceful days in the Loire Valley (44km) Adventure Park: for the adventurous ones, you will have the option to ride to the park (20km) where you will enjoy zip lining nd other activities in the trees! Please note that the park is open daily in April, July and August, on week-end in May, June and September, so if you want to go there, make sure today falls on a weekend during those months. Return to the same hotel. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Easy train access back to Paris via Tours. We are happy to help with train info, added nights in Paris, car rental, or other services in France. Breakfast included.

What's included

6 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom Daily breakfast at each hotel, 2 dinners included Orientation in person with our local guide Bikes available for rental, see EQUIPMENT Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2
people  Chocolate tasting  Wine tasting  
Treasure hunt  Canoe  All luggage transfers  
Comprehensive trip literature  Technical and 
emergency support available at all times

**What's not included**

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after the trip  Drinks  Some meals are not 
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- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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mountainbike
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Loire Valley Classic 7 Nights

The valleys of the Loire, Cher and Indre rivers are a harmonious combination of non-navigated rivers, rich vineyards and vast forests. Discover the landscapes, unspoiled nature, beautiful gardens and breathtaking castles of the Loire Valley on your bike. The terrain is wonderful for bicycle riding - mostly flat to rolling - and is filled with rivers, trees, and colors. On this 247 km bike tour, you will explore the area between Chambord and Azay le Rideau, and you'll have the opportunity to visit Amboise, Chenonceau and Chambord castles among others. Our selected hotels and the local restaurants will spoil you with regional gastronomic food and local wines. For many visitors, the Loire Valley conjures pictures from the fairy tales of childhood.

Duration: week
Price: from 890 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
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**Arrive in Joue-les-Tours**

Arrival in Joue-les-Tours. From Paris, you can take a quick 1-hour train ride to St Pierre des Corps, and then a taxi to your charming 3* Hotel, Chateau de Beaulieu. Orientation at your hotel, dinner included at your chateau tonight. If you arrive early, you can spend free time exploring the old city of Tours. (Dinner is not included in basic version for that night).

**Ride To Azay le Rideau**

Going first to fantastic gardens at the famous Villandry, you will ride alongside the Cher and Loire Rivers and along the Loire a Velo route. After, continue toward Azay le Rideau and that classic chateau, where you can spend plenty of time to visit the castle and possibly see the sound and light show. This renaissance era castle is considered a classic design and its setting alongside the Indre River is magic. Dinner and breakfast included. (Dinner is not included in basic version for that night).

**Azay le Rideau to Luynes**

From Azay it is on to more castles, first stop Sleeping Beauty Castle Usse. Then, you continue on to Langeais on a very quiet bike road by the Loire River. You stay nearby to Villandry but across the rivers in Luynes and a castle hotel, dinner and breakfast included.

**Ride to Vouvray then Amboise**

A flat ride to pass around Tours and then into the wine country of the famous appellation Vouvray. About Vouvray wines: Vouvray is the largest white wine appellation of the Anjou-Saumur-Touraine region and it produces splendid wines from the dry and austere to the richest dessert wines, as well as excellent sparkling wines. On to charming Amboise with animation and ambiance; dinner and breakfast included at your hotel.

**Loop trip to Chenonceau to explore**

A short and moderately flat ride will take you through the forests and alleys of the Amboise countryside passing by the Parc Mini Chateaux (great for kids) and then dropping down to the
fabulous Chenonceau castle that must be discovered with plenty of time to visit. Chenonceau, erected by Henry II in the XVIth century over the Cher river and improved by Catherine de Medici. The castle hides several pieces of historical interest, furniture and tapestries. Ride back to Amboise for a moderate trip. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride Blois via Chaumont Castle!

Depart from Amboise and ride through many small villages, stopping at privately owned chateaux on the way. For lunch, why not stop at the famous Gardens festival and Chateau of Chaumont for a picnic followed by a visit! Then you will either go on a short and quiet ride to Blois or choose the longer option riding through sunflower fields and deep countryside of the area to visit more chateaux such as Fougeres and Beauregard. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop tour to Chambord

Today, you will again have 2 ride options. The short option takes you to the famous Chambord, where you can enjoy the magnificent architecture and unique features. Then you can enjoy a chocolate tasting in a chocolate factory in a nearby charming village before heading back to Blois with a stop at the Chateau de Villesavin. On the longer option, after Chambord, you will continue south to the Chateaux of Cheverny, Troussay and Beauregard. Those are easy rides on flat terrain, just enjoy the scenery imagining how and why the kings chose this area as their vacation place! Ride distance is 49km Chambord roundtrip, with Cheverny count 63 km. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure from Blois after breakfast, at your leisure. Trains available direct to Paris. Breakfast included.

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Canal du midi, from Moissac to Carcassonne

This trip brings you along the most beautiful sites along the Canal that links the Mediterranean and Atlantic Ocean on safe cycle paths. Take your start from Moissac and its famous convent, a unique treasure of perfectly conserved roman art. Your trip follows the Garonne Canal stopping in the charming cities of Montauban and Toulouse. Toulouse is nicknamed the « Pink City ». You'll be enchanted by its culture and diversity: pedestrian shopping districts, gastronomic restaurants, the Canal du Midi, bars, restaurants everything to fulfill your day and more if you'd like! You continue by riding on the peaceful Canal du Midi to Cathare country and finish in the famous medieval city of Carcassonne, a World Heritage Site. This is without question the most ideal place to finish your trip in beauty!

Duration: week  
Price: from 1290 EUR  
Level: Casual  
Activity: biking  
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive at Moissac. Greeting and bike fitting.

We strongly suggest that you take advantage of your afternoon to discover the remarkable sites of Moissac: The Abbey and its famous sculptures. Before the end of the day, our guide will meet with you at your hotel to fit your bikes, explain the material (bike, GPS) and explain your trip.

From Moissac to Montauban

Today you ride along the Garonne Canal to Montech and its water slope, a boat elevator on a lateral canal of the Garonne. Before that don’t forget to visit the Belleperche Abbey and its museum of table arts. To get to Montauban you will need to leave the Garonne Canal and follow the Canal de Montech! Take advantage of your evening to visit the charming city center of Montauban.

The Garonne Canal all the way to Toulouse

Today head south to the regional capital of Toulouse! Along your way and along the canal you must stop at Grenade to visit the ancient bastide and its covered market. Head South to the regional capital of Toulouse! Upon your arrival at the Pink City, discover the Twim Bridges, the intersection between the Garonne Canal and the Canal du Midi, and Brienne Canal.

Rest at Toulouse

Take advantage of this day without cycling to discover all the fascinating aspects of Toulouse.

From Toulouse to Avignonet-Lauragais

You quietly leave the center of town along the shady Canal du Midi to meander the quiet countryside. Join your hotel along the Canal at Avignonet-Lauragais or a little further on at Labastide d’Anjou.

From Avignonet-Lauragais to Carcassonne
After crossing the Seuil de Naurouze and the obelisk of Riquet, you cross the small town of Castelnaudary, famous for its gastronomy and cassoulet. It's also the entry into Cathare country and the unbelievable medieval city of Carcassonne, World Heritage Site of UNESCO.

**Departure**

It's time to leave after a good breakfast. Or, stay a couple nights longer to visit Carcassonne and its region. Continue with our trip along the Canal du Midi all the way to the Mediterranean Sea!

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Portugal West Coast and Sintra

Atlantic West Coast & Sintra Cycling is an incredible cycling tour over the Atlantic west coast of Europe! Visit typical fisherman villages and cycle by the Atlantic Ocean. Discover the most well preserved medieval village in Portugal, Óbidos and feel the history walking on medieval roads. Discover Sintra - UNESCO World Heritage, a land of castles and palaces. The trip finishes at the most the western-most point in Europe "Roca" Cape is a full stop to this wonderful trip. Terrain: 100% road, Sometimes hilly with short but steep ascents. Options: Extra night in Lisbon before or after the tour.

Duration: week
Price: from 920 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrival day in Lisbon

Welcome at airport or hotel in Lisbon. Transfer Lisbon to Óbidos (1h30)

Óbidos to Peniche

Start this day going to the coast and cycling close to a beautiful lagoon. Arrive to the Atlantic Ocean where the lagoon join the Ocean? a great place with a gorgeous beach! Continue towards south and you will discover an incredible village on a very small peninsula that looks almost like an island! If the tide permits you will cycle on the cobalt road around the village felling the wind coming from the sea! Get then to Peniche a city full of fishing traditions. Peniche is also on another peninsula but this time a bigger one. The route will follow a scenic road by the cliffs where you can admire incredible rock formations building dramatic figures and landscapes. Get to the beautiful Carvoeiro Cape, and continue going around till you return to Peniche. On this day remember, the numerous restaurants located in the Peniche peninsula serve outstanding variety of seafood.

Peniche to Ericeira

After a start close to see on this day the route will go inland on the first half showing you different scenery. Typical villages, white houses with red roof and beautiful countryside will invigorate you on another great cycling day! Approaching the Ocean you will go by an incredible valley of limestone with vibrant green Mediterranean vegetation. Get to the beach and you can touch the fine sand again! Follow then a cycle path with great blue ocean views from above the cliffs till you get to Santa Cruz with its beautiful beach. After another inland section you will get to your destination? Ericeira, the Portuguese Mecca of Surf. Ericeira is also one of the most beautiful fisherman villages.

Mafra loop

On this day you will cycle to the interior discovering the village of Mafra and its convent. The scenery of this day will contrast with the days closer to the sea. You will pass by farms and vineyards on a hilly region. Then discover and visit the monumental Mafra palace-monastery.

Ericeira to Sintra
On the third day you will arrive and discover Sintra Natural Park and Hills, ending your day cycling on a constantly up and down. You will pass Monserrate where you can stop and visit the gardens and the fantastic Palace. The palace was recovered from the ruins of a neo-gothic mansion by the British millionaire Francis Cook in the 19th century; this is a unique and exquisite example of Romanticism. Its gardens are one of the most beautiful landscape creations, including an extraordinary botanical collection of species originated from all over the world and creating contrasting sceneries along winding footpaths among ruins, corners, small lakes and waterfalls. Arrive to the beautiful village of Sintra, a UNESCO site. If you arrive early or if you have a free day here you can go up on the mountain and finding the incredible Moorish Castle dating back to the 8th Century. Also worthwhile a visit the outstanding Pena Palace finding a wild fantasy of domes, towers, ramparts and walkways on one of the highest mountain peaks of Sintra.

End of Europe Loop

On the last day cross the hills of Sintra to the top on its mystic environment with time to stop and visit the incredible Franciscan Capuchin Convent with its tiny cells. Installed in the rock and lined with cork, the convent is a telling example of the humble and austere existence of the Franciscan friars who lived there. Continue riding to the Atlantic Ocean and get to the westernmost point in Continental Europe - Cape Roca, a promontory rising 150m from the sea. Discover impressive beaches nestling between cliffs artistically sculpted out by the sea - unique coastal scenery! Return by the Hills to Sintra.

Departure Day

Transfer (including bikes) from Sintra to Lisbon (30min) included at 9:30am (can be changed on request).

What's included

7 night's Bed and Breakfast with private bathroom  Daily breakfast  Personalized welcome orientation  Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information  1 GPS per couple  Daily luggage transfers  Arrival transfer from Lisbon to your first hotel  Departure transfer from last hotel to Lisbon  Comprehensive trip literature  All technical and emergency support any day

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Portugal Wild Coast

The Portugal Wild Coast is an incredible Hybrid Cycling route program along the most beautiful and unspoiled coast-line of Portugal. Starting in Grandola, this is an incredible tour that will take you till the south-westernmost point in continental Europe, crossing a National Park and a beautiful coastal line with 300km of beautiful beaches, and typical villages. This tour is 70% on roads and 30% off road.

**Terrain**
- Mostly flat, with a hilly region and some valleys with short but steep ascents
- Some rough sections on the off road (gravel roads or double roads with some short sections of sand or rocks)
- There are some paved road alternatives for all the off road sections (just some viewpoints could not be seen from the paved road)

**Options:** Extra night in Lisbon before or after the top.

**Duration:** week
**Price:** from 1190 EUR
**Level:** Active
**Activity:** biking
**Date:** Starts any day

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**Arrival - Welcome at LISBON airport**

1:30h drive to Grândola

**Bike from Grândola to Porto Covo**

Leave Grândola, on the sierra and cross a beautiful hilly region with an impressive cork forest. Pass Santiago, a village with a Castle. Left Santiago by a road on the sierra and continue to Sonega Village. You will get to Porto Covo, a quiet fishing village with its typical whitewashed houses with their blue stripe, common in Alentejo.

**Bike from Porto Covo to Odeceixe (40% off road)**

From here to the end of this tour you are in the Natural Park. Start day going inland till you get to Milfontes. Ride on SW Alentejano Natural Park with amazing views over the sea and visit stunning Sardão cape. Admire the incredible Stork chest's on the cliffs! Ride near spectacular cliffs and visit typical village Zambujeira. Continue through fields till you go down to a river. Crossing the river let's you came into a new region - the Wild Algarve!

**Loop ride from Odeceixe to Marmelete**

On this day you have the option to rest or to have a great day exploring the hills of the Wild Algarve. This day you will cycle Monchique Hills - the highest mountain in Algarve with its green hills full of wildflowers, chestnut trees, eucalyptus and cork oaks. You will visit a typical interior village - Marmelete.

**Bike from Odeceixe to Arrifana (15% off road)**

Start the day going to one of the most beautiful scenery of this coast - Odeceixe beach! After crossing a plateau you will go down again for more incredible beaches. Then follow a valley where once caravels sailed to the village of Aljezur about 5 km inland. Go up the narrow streets through typical houses and get up to the medieval castle of Aljezur! Follow the winding road that sweeps down from the cliffs tops to the sea where you will find a stunning village in the beach - Monte.
Clérigo. End in an amazing village over the Cliffs - Arrifana!

Bike from Arrifana to Pedralva (65% off road)

Ride through some forests and get again close to sea by incredible village of Carrapateira, following a dirt road along the sea that shows this region at its most beautiful. Pass by stunning beaches, with incredible colourful cliffs. Go up on a dirt road under through a beautiful round pine forest and arrive to a typical and old village once abandoned and now recovered as a hotel.

Bike from Pedralva to Sagres (70% off road)

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Departure Day

Transfer to LISBON airport (3h30 drive) included at 9:30am (can be changed on request)

What's included

- 6 nights on charming accommodations with private bathroom (1 night in 3* Hotels; 5 night in 4* Hotel)
- Daily breakfast
- Personalized welcome orientation
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information
- 1 GPS per couple
- Daily luggage transfers
- Arrival transfer from Lisbon to your first hotel
- Departure transfer from last hotel to Lisbon
- Comprehensive trip literature
- All technical and emergency support any day

What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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Included with your bike rental:
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- Lock
- 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
- Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip
- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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Provence Secrets

This self-guided cycle tour will take you to places brimming with exceptional charm and history; places that make Provence a uniquely rich and pleasant to experience on bike. The route is an open invitation to discover the most beautiful sites and secrets of the region. You will marvel at the engineering feats of the Pont du Gard (UNESCO site), a magnificent symbol of Roman life in the region. From Uzes to Nimes you retrace the path of the aqueduct, an enormously important invention that allowed the settlers to flourish throughout the region. You will also discover the stories of Vincent Van Gogh and his life in Provence, cycling through and will the very landscapes that inspired his most famous paintings. At the Provencal markets, with their many indulgent scents and flavors, you will meet artisans who will share their local, handmade products, accompanied by a glass of wine sitting under the trees of the village! Throughout this holiday, the enchanting scenery and authentic personal moments will immerse you completely into another time, in a place of great beauty and profound character.

Duration: week
Price: from 760 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive and visit in Nimes

Your guide will meet you either at the Nimes train station or at your hotel before you visit the most beautiful sites of the city. Essential city highlights include Les Jardins de la Fontaine, the Maison Carree and the famous Arena, which will illustrate the rich history of this Roman city. After that, your guide will drive you to your hotel in the village of Collias, a secret location along the beautiful Gardon River. You will have plenty of time as you wish, to take a swim in the river or in the hotel pool. Dinner included.

Loop to Pont du Gard and Uzès

On your first day, the most beautiful places in northern Provence will reveal themselves to you. First you will start with a visit to the impressive and majestic Pont du Gard, which overlooks the river at a height of more than 165 feet! Arriving in the charming town of Uzes, you will enjoy lunch under the arcades of the famous spice markets where time seems to have stopped. No doubt, you will want to stay here. Luckily, you consolation is the gorgeous hotel for a second night. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Collias to St Rémy

Leaving Collias, you will cross the Gardon and its fabulous gorges to discover a magnificent panorama before arriving at the village of Cabrieres. Along the banks of the Rhone is the medieval castle of Beaucaire, a fortress that still bears witness to its distant and glorious past. Continuing on, you will ride to the beautiful village of St Remy de Provence where you will stay for 2 nights. Dinner and breakfast included.

Loop St Remy to Fontvielle to Les Baux

Through the olive groves, your route will take you to the charming village of Fontvieille where Alphonse Daudet lived and wrote his finest writings such as 'Lettres de mon Moulin' or 'Le Tresor d'Arlatan'. After a short break under the plane trees, you will reach one of the most beautiful villages in France, Les Baux de Provence. This picturesque village and its medieval fortress overlook the Alpilles from the top of a rocky outcrop. The intoxicating perfume of Provencal villages is here : small squares, shaded terraces, narrow streets and charming boutiques! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Departure after breakfast

Departure after breakfast. Transfer back to Avignon (about 30 minutes) is included in the morning. Extra nights are possible, please contact us for a quote.

What's included
- 4 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel, 2 dinners included
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

What's not included
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- Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental.
- Lodging before and after the trip
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- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
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Provence Classic 5 Nights

This Provence bike tour is a shorter version of our seven-night tour, this itinerary starts in Villeneuve-les-Avignon and visits the culturally rich countryside as far as Arles and back to Avignon - "Cite des Papes" ("City of the Popes").

Traveling on small roads away from traffic, it incorporates some of the most beautiful countryside in France. In Avignon and Arles you will find small streets and a maze of shops in the old town. In the summer, numerous festivals take place throughout the region. This tour has a number of wonderful attractions rooted in Roman origins and Provencal culture, up through the Papal dominance in the Middle Ages. The area is easily accessible by train from throughout France, and as well by air.

Duration: week
Price: from 790 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

**Arrive in Avignon**

Today is arrival day and meeting day, which also gives the opportunity to explore Avignon, and the historical center including the Popes Palace. An English speaking team-member will welcome you at the hotel for orientation and bike delivery in the early evening. Dinner out on your own, we include several recommendations.

**Ride to Uzes**

The route will move out of Villeneuve-les-Avignon through the Gard forests and vineyards and to visit the famous roman aqueduct Pont du Gard which dominates the river at over 165 feet high. Swimming is possible in the river, as well as at the hotel that night. You will cycle on to Uzes, a beautiful Provencal village with plane tree lined streets. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Ride to Arles**

Travel to the town of Arles, passing through mostly flat countryside except in the gorges around the Gardon River. You first ride to Collias at the confluence of the Gardon and Alson rivers. From there to Ledenon, famous for wine production, and then Meynes and its old fortified village. At Tarascon you can visit the Chateau and Souleiado Museum before going on to Arles. In Arles there is the extraordinarily well-preserved Roman arena, antique theater, and many museums, among which is one devoted to Vincent van Gogh. The ride is mostly flat but starts out rolling. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Ride to St Remy**

You may want to spend some time in the morning visiting Arles and the many sites to see in this old Roman town. Your ride goes to St Remy de Provence. The ride is not too long today, so in function of weather you can leave as wish. You will pass the Abbey of Montmajour and up to Baux de Provence. Take some time to visit the site of Les Baux, walk the old stone streets, and imagine what it must have been like 2000 years ago. After you will descend to St Remy where you can visit the town and see where Van Gogh made over 150 paintings. Ride with hills at Les Baux. Dinner and breakfast included.
Ride to Avignon

Partez pour Avignon et traversez Graveront et Barbentane, où vous pouvez déjeuner et visiter l'Abbaye de Saint Michel de Frigolet, qui date du X siècle. Vous arriverez à Avignon dans l'après midi, vous aurez donc le temps de visiter la ville. Vous logerez dans la vieille ville dans un hôtel 4 étoiles charmant et également historique. Dîner non inclus, petit déjeuner inclus.

Departure Day

Today is departure day. You can take your time with breakfast and then transfer back to the rail station or other on your own. Additional nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

What's included

- 5 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel
- 2 dinners included
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- Bikes available for rental
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What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
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Bikes available on this tour

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Provence Classic 7 Nights

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Duration: week
Price: from 960 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: roadbiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Avignon

Today is arrival day and meeting day, which also gives the opportunity to explore the many sites of Avignon. An English speaking team member will welcome you at the hotel for orientation and bike delivery in the evening. Dinner out on your own in a suggested local restaurant tonight.

Ride to Uzes

The route will move out of Avignon through the Gard forests and vineyards and to visit the famous roman aqueduct Pont du Gard which dominates the river at over 165 feet high. Swimming is possible in the river, as well as at the hotel that night. You will cycle on to Uzes, a beautiful Provencal village with plane tree lined streets. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Uzes Loop

A loop tour from Uzes and back to your same hotel. You leave in the direction of the north of Uzes into a green area of scenic roads and light traffic. You will ride through small charming villages such as Vallabrix, Saint Quentin la Poterie. This is like 'potters tour' with the chance to visit ceramic shops and a museum. Return to your hotel for swim in the pool. Note, if you are flexible, making this day a Saturday will let you experience the Uzes market day and let you see a fantastic Provencal market. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Arles

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Loop Ride

Today, is a loop tour day which gives you a chance to take a day off if you desire. The ride starts out flat and goes to the north before turning to Eygalieres and the Alpilles where it becomes hilly. You will pass through vineyards and olive groves with the chance to visit and taste. Overall this is a hilly ride but can be modified to be shorter cutting out hills. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride to Avignon

On to Avignon via Graveson and Barbentane where you can have lunch and visit the Abbey of Saint Michel de Frigolet from the 10th century. Arriving in the afternoon, you can visit Avignon. Dinner on your own, stay in a deluxe 4 star hotel in the center of Old Avignon. In Avignon old city tonight you are walking distance to the Palais des Papes, Place Horloge and Pont d'Avignon. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Today is departure day. You can take your time with breakfast and visitation of Avignon in the morning, before departing. Additional nights can be arranged. Breakfast included.

What's included

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all times

What's not included

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Mont Ventoux to Luberon 7 Nights

This tour explores the natural beauty of Vaucluse, Luberon and Alpilles with lots of opportunities to soak in the aroma and culture distinctive of the region of Provence. The tour departs from the charming village of Bedoin at the foot of the Mont Ventoux, the famous Giant of Provence. You will discover the vineyards of the Ventoux wine region, the lavender fields of Sault, the smooth hilly landscapes of Luberon & Vaucluse and the wine-and olive-yards of les Alpilles. The terrain around Gordes, Luberon and Saint-Rémy-de-Provence is rolling and sometimes hilly. During this trip, conquering the superimposing Mont Ventoux is an option and a great challenge. During this tour you will stay in beautiful unique hotels and enjoy the famous cuisine Provençal.

Duration: week
Price: from 1160 EUR
Level: Active
Activity: roadbiking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

*Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.*

**Arrive in Avignon and we transfer you to Bedoin**

Arrival at Avignon train station and we will transfer you to Bedoin, at the foot of Mont Ventoux. Orientation and bicycle set up upon arrival in your cozy 3 star hotel in Bedoin. Dinner included.

**Loop around Bédoin**

A beautiful tour warm-up ride through the vineyards of Ventoux and Rhône valley. You will pass through the wine villages of Beaumes-de-Venise, Vacqueyras, Gigondas and the more famous Rhône wine villages in Upper-Vaucluse before returning to Bedoin. Dinner and breakfast included.

**Loop around Bédoin**

There are a few different ride options: tour of Mont Ventoux (73 km) or Gorges de la Nesque & the lavender fields of Sault (89km). The first itinerary starts with a warm-up tour between the vineyards of Bedoin, followed by the challenging climb and descend of Mont Ventoux. The second itinerary goes up to Mount Ventoux and joins Bedoin through Sault and the Gorges de la Nesque, a challenging but unforgettable experience. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included.

**Bédoin to Gordes**

A ride from Bedoin to Gordes that will bring you through the village of Venasque, classified as one of the most beautiful villages of France. After a last climb you will reach the spectacular perched village of Gordes. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

**Loop around Gordes**

A loop tour of Luberon natural park the surrounding area. A varied itinerary through vast forests with amazing viewpoints that will take you to a number of superb perched villages such as : Bonnieux, Lacoste and Ménerbes among others. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Loop around Gordes

Today, you have the choice between 2 itineraries: Ochre hills or Fontaine de Vaucluse. The Ochre Hills in Roussillon and the town of Apt (62km / 39mi): A moderate ride through the Land of Ochre, a color present everywhere in the landscape: ochre-wash stone houses, in the steep cliffs of the scenic village of Roussillon and in the cliffs and canyons of the Provençal Colorado in Rustrel. Then, go to Apt and Roussillon, the center of Ochre. Isle sur la Sorgue (40km / 25mi): Charming town located on the river Sorgue. Includes visit of Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, village with a refreshing temperature due to the spring where the river Sorgue begins. This ride is best when done on a Sunday, because of the outside market and antique fair in Isle-sur-la-Sorgue. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Gordes to Saint Rémy de Provence

A ride from Gordes to Saint-Remy-de-Provence. You leave Vaucluse to join the Bouches-du-Rhône department with an itinerary that will take you via Coustellet with its lavender museum to melon-town Cavaillon where you can enjoy the fruits in season before crossing the Durance river. A gentle climb up the Alpilles hills will take you to Saint-Remy-de-Provence, the epicenter of Provencal culture, native town of Nostradamus and residence of Vincent Van Gogh. Dinner and Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast. Transfer to Avignon rail station included at 9:30am. Breakfast included.

What's included

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Provence Multisport

This Provence multi sport tour is a great way to discover Provence - and NOT like any other tour! This itinerary starts in Avignon and visits the culturally rich countryside from Avignon, to the Alpilles and into the Luberon. An "off the beaten path" active trip, you will cycle through the vineyards and forests of the region, hop on a canoe and paddle down the Gardon river, hike through the Provençal mountains, lavender fields and olive-yards, ride a high quality mountain bike on the trails of the Luberon and you have the option to do a cooking class too !This tour combines several activities to provide you with a unique way to discover this beautiful part of France! Enjoy!

Duration: week
Price: from 1350 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: multisport
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Avignon

Today is arrival day and meeting day, which also gives the opportunity to explore the Center of Avignon. An English speaking team-member will welcome you at the hotel in the early evening for orientation and bike delivery. After, you can go to visit Avignon in a unique way with our cultural treasure hunt in the historical center! Avignon is a culturally and historically rich city with much to see and much to learn.

Our Treasure Hunt will introduce you to the most important sites and give you a fun way to pass a couple hours after arrival. We strongly encourage a little time in Avignon, and history buffs could arrive a day early and pass an extra night exploring Avignon! Dinner on your own in a local restaurant tonight; we provide suggestions.

Ride to Uzes

First active day is by bike, a route that moves out of Villeneuve-les-Avignon through the Gard forests and vineyards and to visit the famous roman aqueduct Pont du Gard which dominates the river at over 165 feet high. Swimming is possible in the river. You will cycle on to Uzes, a beautiful Provencal village with plane tree lined streets. Night in Uzes in a very charming 3 star hotel, Les Entraigues, with swimming pool. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included. Adventurers: an option to do Via Ferrata is possible today! Via Ferrata is like rock climbing with the help of steps and security line on fixed cables. To add this option, you must book at least 1 month in advance, the supplement is 115 euros/person - guided activity with local professional.

Cycle & Canoe to St Remy de Provence

38km (24mi) cycling, 8km (5mi) paddling - An exciting combination of cycling and paddling today. You will hop on a canoe and paddle down the Gardon River through the famous Gorges du Gardon. You will start the day with a short and flat warm-up bike ride from your hotel to the village of Collias to start your canoe trip through a calm stretch of the Gardon River. Your bikes are transferred to meet you at the pull out spot at the Pont du Gard. You then cycle from there to the beautiful village of Saint-Remy-de-Provence where you will spend the night. Dinner and breakfast included.

Hiking

Put your hiking shoes on and get on the GR 6 trail that will lead you to the nearby hills above St...
Remy known as the Alpilles. This hike will take you along to the Citadel of Les Baux de Provence. After your visit of the village we suggest you walk to the Val d'Enfer and its rock formations, then make your way back to Saint Remy. Back to the same hotel with dinner and breakfast included. Hiking with hills at Les Baux. This hike isn't available in July due to fire risks and will be replaced by a biking loop around St Rémy (42km). Outside this period, the forestry service still has the right to close the trails as needed due to the reason above.

Ride to Fontaine de Vaucluse

After breakfast, you cycle on to Fontaine de Vaucluse where you spend the night. On the way to Fontaine de Vaucluse, you have the possibility to cycle on to Isle sur la Sorgue, which is a short 10km trip from Fontaine. Isle sur la Sorgue is a charming town located on the river Sorgue, that is very worth visiting! Night in a charming hotel with dinner out on your own. Breakfast included. OPTION: Cooking Class. If you book the cooking class for today, it starts at 9:30 am. The class starts with a garden visit and then cooking all morning which finishes at lunch to enjoy your work. After the class we transfer you to Fontaine de Vaucluse. The supplement is 150 Euros per person (for 2-3 people) , 135 euros per person (for 4-5 people).

Mountain Bike Loop

For your day, we have planned for you to do a nice 'balade' on mountain bikes. You will ride a short distance on paved roads to meet the trail and after you will have a nice quiet trail to follow that makes a loop and brings you back to the road. The trail is a mix of wide trail and sand/gravel to sections of single track. None of it is technical or requires advance mountain bike skill. Approximately 30 km cycling and 3 hours. Return to the same hotel in Fontaine de Vaucluse, dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Fontain de Vaucluse to Bedoin

Today, ride to Bedoin at the foot of Mont Ventoux. You will ride on typical narrow little country side road from Provence and Luberon. Enjoy nice panoramic views and roads in the middle of limestone cliffs. Approaching the Mont Ventoux, you will ride in the vineyards of Provence wine. Very charming 3 star hotel with swimming pool. Dinner and breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure Day, we will transfer you back to Avignon rail station at 10:00 am where you can get a train to Paris or other destination. Breakfast included.
What's included

- 7 nights of accommodation: 2, 3 & 4 star superior hotels of charm with private shower and/or bathroom
- Daily breakfast at each hotel, 3 dinner included
- Orientation in person with our local guide
- Bikes available for rental
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- 1 GPS GARMIN OREGON 450T for 2 people
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
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What's not included

- Airfare to and from the trip
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- Lodging before and after the trip
- Drinks
- Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
Bikes available on this tour

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- Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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What’s next ?

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French Pyrenees

The yellow jersey of the Tour de France has often been decided during the climbs of the Pyrenees mountain passes. This mountain chain, a natural border between France and Spain, is a beautiful scenic area with a variety of harsh contrast landscapes. It is a fantastic ski destination in winter and spa/resort destination at all seasons. The mountains are much lower than the Alpes, but just as steep if not steeper at times! You travel from Argelès Gazost at the foot of Col d’Aubisque, Hautacam and Toumalet to Foix via Saint Girons and Luchon.

Duration: week
Price: from 1230 EUR
Level: Pro
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Arrive in Argelès Gazost

You will have an orientation meeting with your hotel host and phone review with our office. We will cover the cycling and route book materials, and help you get started right. Free time is yours to visit this charming spa & resort town. Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Argelès Gazost. Dinner included.

L'Aubisque & Hautacam

L'Aubisque & Hautacam, from the hotel you don't have far to go before you start up these two famous routes of the Tour. The Aubisque and Soulor average over 7% with a good part over 8%. Returning back you have the option to go on to ride Hautacam. A 13km climb of about 8% brings you up to 1520m (4560 feet), a popular ski resort. Stay in the same hotel in Argelès Gazost. Breakfast, gastronomic dinner and breakfast included.

Col du Tourmalet

The Col du Tourmalet via Bagneres de Bigorre and up past St Marie de Campan and La Mongie. With a long descent arrive at Luz St Sauveur and return to the hotel in Argeles for a very long day of cycling. Dinner and breakfast included.

Tourmalet, Aspin & Peyresourdre

Tourmalet, Aspin, Peyresourdre at about 110km and 3300 meters elevation gain, this is a hard day over some classic climbs of the Tour de France. Finish in the charming town of Bagneres de Luchon. The long ascent of the Tourmalet is 18km at 8%! Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Bagnères de Luchon. Breakfast and dinner included.

Cols Mente & Portet d'Aspet

2 ride options today - longer or shorter. Both options include the Cols Mente and Portet d'Aspet. The hardest points on the climbs go over 12%. Finish in St Girons. Stay in a beautiful 3 star hotel in Saint Girons. Breakfast and dinner included.

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Col de Port & Col des Caougnous

A long and challenging day over some big climbs! Again over 3300 meters in climbing including the Col de Port and Col des Caougnous. A long and short ride option exist again to reach Foix. Once in Foix, you are back to a larger town with more sites and services. Stay in a 3 star hotel in Foix. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast ? on your own; taxi to the Foix train station for connections in Toulouse. Additional days are possible and additional ride days can be arranged. Breakfast included.

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Sardinia Island

Sardinia has always been a popular escape spot - not only for its beautiful beaches, but also due to its remote nature and land: the waters rival the Caribbean! This is an island for adventurers and the varied landscape is ripe for exploration. From the beaches to the mountains through forests and hilltop villages...Sardinia is not just a beach paradise, but a cyclist's dream as well. You will spend a week biking all around rugged Landscape of the island: from the west coast, Alghero and Bosa, to medieval villages and roman towns, such as SantuLussurgiu, then down to Oristano, rich in history, you can visit Tharros, a Punic-Roman ruins complex, and admire the famous beach IS ARUTAS, made by pure white little pebbles.

Duration: week
Price: from 1440 EUR
Level: Casual
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

Hotels shown are standard version, contact us for upgraded or basic versions.

Welcome to Alghero

Arrival in Alghero Airport and transfer to Hotel Villa Mosca on your own. Bike fitting to follow. The Sardinian town of Alghero is a lively and pretty city. It is famous because it has been dominated by Catalans and just here, some people even speak the Catalan language. The Mura Catalane (Catalan walls) still surround the old town center on the seaward side. The walls have towers and it is pleasant to walk along and have a drink at sunset before a fresh seafood dinner! Dinner on your own.

Cycle to Bosa

Bike ride from Alghero to Bosa skirting the coast. Leaving Alghero and pedaling on secondary roads you can admire the uneven north-west coast, shaped by Mistral wind, but no need to worry: the wind will be a tule wind. In Bosa you can admire the massive complex of the Castello dei Malaspina. Nature has done spectacular work along the coast of Bosa. The bastions overlooking the sea, the little, stony creeks and the wild scenery are all exclusive elements of this surprising landscape. Due to a series of quite unique events, Bosa has managed to keep its territory unchanged. They also produce a fine wine, Malvasia di Bosa, be sure to taste it! Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Bosa loop in Planargia

Option A: 57 km easy. Starting from Bosa you'll climb to the beautiful plateau of Planargia, the homeland of Malvasia wine and where you can admire the particular white wine grapes that struggle to survive against the mistral wind. Continue cycling and you will arrive in Sindia and ride along the edge of Monti Ferru. Return to Bosa by crossing the terrific landscape of Porto Alabe.

Option B: 66km challenging - Round trip bike ride to Montresta, Padria, Suni, with an optional extension to Villanova Roccadoria. You leave Bosa biking upon beautiful highlands, viewing unforgettable landscapes. You will pass through Montresta la Greca, inhabited by descendants from Greece and admire from below the fascinating Monteleone Rocca Doria. There is the possibility, for those who want to ride more to visit Villanova Roccadoria, a wonderful town, perched in the top of the hill. This town was founded in the period of the Genoese domination (Doria was an important family from Genova), who ruled over part of the island during the low Medieval Ages.
Santu Lussurgiu, medieval town on a hill

Option A: 44 km easiest.
with this ride you'll bike along country roads passing through small villages and you'll see the famous Siete Fuentes water sources in San Leonardo, where you can relax in the woods. Soon you will arrive in Santu Lussurgiu, admiring, while descending, the great plateau of Ghilarza and much of the south of Sardinia.

Option B: 38 km shorter BUT challenging.
Leaving from Bosa, you can bike along the sea, to go then up to the inland and pass through characteristic little villages such as Magomadas and Cuglieri. You'll come across lots of Nuraghe and suggestive lands, such as the plateau right before arriving in Santu Lussurgiu, which has been built at the edge of the massive inactive volcanic mountain called Montiferru (iron mountain). Here you will find the Montiferru castle. The village in which you will stay developed around the small rustic church of Holy Cross (built in 1185 A.D.) and has the characteristic structure of an amphitheater, with ancient stone houses built in concentric configuration along winding and steep narrow cobbled lanes you will love to explore! Breakfast & gourmet dinner included.

Oristano and Fordongianus Spas

Option A: 59 km easy - Today is a pleasant ride through historical sites and wonderful landscapes. Leave Santu Lussurgiu and descend from the Monti Ferru volcanic area, you'll enter Paulilatino a little town where the old traditions of Sardinia are maintained by its residents. A few miles later, cycle on a gentle descent, you'll arrive in Fordongianus that rises on the banks of Tirso River. This village is important for the mineral water, baths and because it was an outpost of the Roman legions who fought against the barbarians of Sardinia. It is possible to admire the old roman ruins. Leaving the village, you follow the flow of the Tirso River to arrive in Oristano.

Option B: 67km challenging.
Cycle towards the seaside and cross small villages influenced by Sardinian-Spanish styles. You will see Domus de Janas, dolmens and menhirs. You will pass through Punic and Roman ruins and you will be amazed by the crystalline waters and sandy beaches in the area! There's also a particular rock formation that wind carved through the age, l?Arco di S?Archittu. Ride though the Sinis Peninsula and you'll arrive to the City of Oristano. The town of Oristano is remarkable for its history who was founded with the foundations of another city, Tharros, in the 11th century. Enjoy the historical center of Oristano that is notable for its culinary arts. We can recommend restaurants which offer local specialties, like Bottarga or Sebadas.

Loop of Tharros and the Sinis Peninsula

Today leave for the peninsula of ?Sinis,? where there are plenty of ponds and lagoons and where, depending on the season, you will be able to see beautiful pink flamingos. You will pass through a lot of Punic and Roman ruins and you will be amazed by the crystalline water and sandy
beaches of the area. You’ll pass through Riola Sardo and then ride over the Cabras lagoon, visit the ruins of the Punic-Roman port city of ?Tharros? with a breathtaking view. The tour will continue in Marina di Torre Grande where you can stop for lunch at the restaurant ?Da Giovanni? and taste his unforgettable peppered mussels. Return to the hotel by the bicycle path.

Departure after your breakfast

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Tuscany Wine and Heritage

Whether crowned by timeless villages, covered by vineyards and olive groves or strewn with wildflowers, the hills of Tuscany have one thing in common: they’re perfect for exploring on two wheels. Pedal to lofty hill towns, spin through broad valleys and follow sinuous country roads past cypress-lined lanes and quiet woodland.

**Duration:** week  
**Price:** from 1420 EUR  
**Level:** Hobby  
**Activity:** biking  
**Date:** Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Siena. Benvenuti in Toscana! (Welcome to Tuscany)

Arrival at the hotel in Siena on your own. Siena is a medieval city with beautifully preserved Gothic architecture. The entire city of Siena was built around the Piazza del Campo. Here you will have time to shop while exploring the many hidden medieval walkways. Meet and Greet, we will fit your bikes and introduce you to each day’s ride.

Loop Ride to Montagnola Senese

On this day, the ride explores Montagnola Senese, passing through several charming, little medieval villages and 'borgo' boroughs: Sovicille, Ancaiano, Simignano, Pieve Scola. You will riding along the Via Francigena, and ancient road and pilgrim route running all the way from France to Rome. Here, you will notice the subsoil, mainly made of limestone and full of marble, including the famous yellow marble used for the Duomo of Florence. After making the loop back to Siena, you'll enjoy the night at your hotel in Siena.

Ride from Siena to Castellina in Chianti, following the ?chiantigiana? road

On today's route you can stop at Castelnuovo Berardenga, a medieval town which marks the gateway to Chianti country. From here you will ride inside the vineyard of famous Chianti classico wine passing through many little hamlets. Not-to-be-missed is Castello di Brolio, a castle and winery. There is also the chance to shop at a first-class ceramics workshop just before Radda in Chianti. Arrive in Radda in time for a light lunch and enjoy the last 10 km of gentle rolling hills to get to Castellina. Dinner and breakfast included.

Circular bike ride to Florentine Chianti

Today you will bike along quiet roads to the three villages that formed the Chianti Alliance centuries ago. Visit Tuscany's forgotten abbeys and hamlets, then enjoy a winery tour and taste their supple reds, fresh honey and rich olive oil. Have a stop at Greve's main piazza, characterized by an original formation of an irregular triangular shape, defined by beautiful long porticos. Back via Panzano with preserved old walls, gates and the keep of the medieval castle. Relax by the infinity pool spilling into the countryside of endless vineyards. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.
Ride to San Gimignano

More vineyards await you today, but you will be amazed at how different they look once you get into the district of San Gimignano. Soon you pass Monteriggioni, literally a town-in-a-castle. Barely two hundred yards across, its eighty residents all reside within the picture-perfect round turreted walls that crown the hilltop visible for miles around. Soft, colorful, rolling hills of vineyards and sunflowers provide the backdrop to pre-Roman Etruscan remnants on your route to San Gimignano's "medieval skyscrapers" in the distance you will see the seventeen towers. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Loop ride around San Gimignano

Today you will leave San Gimignano behind and cycle to the ancient Etruscan town of Volterra. Through a patchwork-like landscape dotted with wheat fields, olive groves and villas, you reach the base of the imposing hill upon which the town is set. One more solid climb before you arrive in the old town. The "magic and mysterious" city of Volterra has its roots in three thousand years of history. It is possible to find evidence and traces from every historical period which gives the artistic city a unique aspect. Back to San Gimignano via another scenic back road. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure after breakfast

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Umbria Italy’s Green Heart

Just southeast of Tuscany lies Umbria: Italy’s green heart is a wonderful mix of vineyards, olive groves and tiny Medieval villages perched upon the hillside. Stunningly beautiful region waiting to be discovered. Cycling through rolling hills dotted with castles, fortresses and watchtowers harks you back to the mysticism and mysteries of the Dark Ages. Visit the well-preserved medieval hill towns harboring splendid Renaissance art and Assisi, where the region's rich history can be found at every turn.

Duration: week
Price: from 1350 EUR
Level: Hobby
Activity: biking
Date: Starts any day
Itinerary

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Arrive in Orvieto

Orvieto, looming ahead on its strange plateau, crowned by the cathedral of Santa Maria, is considered by one and all to be among the very finest churches in all of Europe. Orientation and bicycle set up in the evening. Dinner on your own.

Loop from Orvieto

Today the bike ride highlight is visiting Civita di Bagnoregio. The town is noted for its striking position atop a plateau of friable volcanic tuff overlooking the Tiber River Valley, which is in constant danger of destruction as its edges fall off, leaving the buildings on the plateau to crumble. As of 2004, there are plans to reinforce the plateau with steel rods to prevent further geological damage. The city is also much admired for its architecture, some spanning several hundred years. Civita di Bagnoregio owes much of its unaltered condition to its relative isolation: the town was able to withstand most intrusions of modernity as well as the destruction brought by two world wars. The population today varies from about 12 people in winter to over 100 in the summer. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Orvieto to Todi

At the end of this unique excursion you will take the customary uphill incline leading into Todi, whose proximity is heralded by the wonderful Santa Maria della Consolazione, a magnificent Renaissance church set amidst shrubs and treetops on the outskirts of town. Todi still has almost all of its medieval walls, and its pristine charm has made it a favorite country home of wealthy Romans and artists, as well as a host of artisans who have enlivened its streets with their shop. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Ride from Todi to Montefalco via Trevi

Today is dedicated to the quintessential Umbrian delicacy: the medieval hilltop town. After bidding farewell to Todi, you're off to visit Trevi, which rises up on a hill dominating the plain where the river Clitunno flows, between Foligno and Spoleto. The destination is The Balcony of Umbria: Montefalco. Extremely tiny, it occupies a hilltop placed so strategically that majestic views are available at the end of every street. Along the way, you breeze past a few isolated rural churches and through a couple of towns too small to even make it onto the map. Among the most important typical products...
in the city we should absolutely mention the Sagrantino of Montefalco wine. The cultivation of vineyards in this territory, in particular Sangiovese, dates back to the pre-Roman era. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Round-trip ride from Montefalco to Spoleto

Along the way, you breeze past a few isolated rural churches and through a couple of towns too small to even make it onto the map. The first big church is Madonna delle Stelle 7km from the departure. Today has very gentle hills and partially flat terrain. The highlight is the visit of Spoleto, within its wooded setting, is the loveliest of the Umbrian hilltop towns. Its urban atmosphere is enhanced by its superb monuments and by the Festival dei due Mondi, Europeas leading arts festival is held in June and July. Come back in time for a wine tasting in Montefalco, the area is famous for the Sagrantino Wine. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Montefalco to Torgiano via Assisi & Bevagna

Today is expressly designed to allow you plenty of time in Assisi. You begin with a nice downhill ride into Bevagna But you'll surely want to stop in this picturesque hamlet at whose nucleus is one of the most authentic Romanesque town squares in Italy. Next is Spello, not-to-be missed: among the neighboring cities, this is surely the one which preserves the major number of monuments testifying to the Roman era; for example, the town walls, which later became the foundations for the medieval walls, the ruins of the theater and the amphitheater, the thermal baths and the splendid town portals A short climb up to the Assisi, hometown of Saint Francis, perched on an outcrop overlooking the valley, gleaming soft pink against the dark-green backdrop of wild Mount Subasio. You'll want to explore the city's revered and very beautiful churches, its romantic castle and impossibly narrow streets, visit Saint Mary of the Angels built in the 16th century, it houses the very ancient Porziuncola, a tiny rustic chapel where the saint founded the first Franciscan friary. Enjoy the downhill form Assisi to valley and 10 miles later you arrive at the beautiful tiny village of Torgiano. Dinner on your own. Breakfast included.

Departure Day

Departure after breakfast or an optional short bike ride to Deruta. The little excursion allows you to visit the pottery and artistic majolica town. Deruta ceramics are a milestone in the history of Italian pottery. They gained worldwide fame during the Renaissance thanks to their creative and qualitative excellence. Back to hotel where you leave bikes and finish your trip. Breakfast included.

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Airfare to and from the trip, Bike rental. Bikes are available for rental. Lodging before and after the trip, Drinks, Some meals are not included in each destination, which gives you the opportunity to explore regional cuisine on your own. You will find all information needed with our team support in your roadbook.
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  - Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip)
  - Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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  - Odometer
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  - Lock
  - 1 rear Pannier & 1 handlebar bag
  - Water bottle (to keep with you after the trip)
  - Pedals: Flat, cages or own

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