

# Drau Cycle Path sporty

#### FROM LIENZ TO THE THE LAKE KLOPFIN

Active towards the sun - the Drau Cycle Path is a real jewel among routes and, thanks to the Mediterranean influences of the various stage destinations, the perfect region to spend an active holiday. Along the river, past majestic palaces and castles as well as numerous taverns that invite you to rest. We continue through friendly villages and small towns that are kissed by the sun in the south of Austria.

## Details about the tour along the Drau Cycle Path sporty

Lienz scores points as the starting point of the tour not only because it has over 2,000 hours of sunshine a year, but also with its enchanting city centre and a wonderful panorama of the Lienz Dolomites. Next, take the train to the starting point of the Drau Cycle Path in Toblach, Italy. After a cappuccino, you cycle along the gently babbling Drau through the narrow Puster Valley. The wild and romantic area makes this stage a very special highlight.

In the direction of Spittal an der Drau it'll be 'Welcome to Carinthia' when you reach Oberdrauburg. On day 4, the tour first leads to Mediterranean Villach and on to St. Jakob in the almost magical Rosental, before the last stage finally leads to Lake Klopein. Immerse yourself in one of the warmest bathing lakes in Europe and let your mind wander.

### Highlights of the 6-day Drau Cycle Path sporty tour

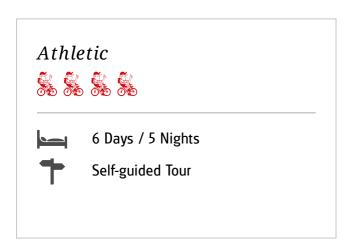
- The picturesque Oberdrautal with its many possibilities from canoeing to horse riding will delight all outdoor sports fans. In combination with picturesque views and warm people, you will shake off the hectic pace of everyday life very quickly!
- The cuisine with Italian and Tyrolean influences: You could call it a perfect symbiosis the East Tyrolean cuisine combines delicious Tyrolean specialties with Mediterranean ease. Let yourself be pampered with fine delicacies after putting in the kilometres on the bike.
- Cosy taverns: Along the tour from Lienz to Lake Klopein, the numerous farmhouse taverns cannot be missed. Recharge your batteries with a hearty 'Brettljause' (meat, cheese and bread board) and talk to the locals - it's worth it! Hard-working cyclists can also enjoy a tasty pastry.

The Drau Cycle Path is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful and attractive cycle paths in Austria, if not in Europe. The General German Bicycle Club (ADFC) has rated the 510-kilometre cycle route with its coveted maximum number of five stars several times.

## Interesting facts about the Drau Cycle Path sporty tour from Lienz to the Lake Klopein

Around 255 kilometres by bike have to be covered on the four sporty stages of this tour. The route guidance along the Drau Cycle Path offers perfect conditions for this. The cycle paths are mainly flat, some even slightly downhill.

Browse through our subject areas for lots of information and tips on cycling holidays in Carinthia, the Drau Cycle Path and our sporty cycle tours.



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# *Itinerary*



### Arrival in Lienz

Arrival in Lienz in Eastern Tyrol located at the confluence of the rivers Isel and Drau. With a total of two thousand sunshine hours annually it is Austria's sunniest holiday region. The breathtaking panorama onto the Alps and the Lienz-Dolomites will excite you.

Hotel (example):

**Schlossberghof** 



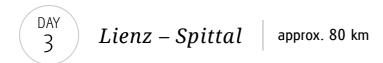
Lienz – Innichen - Lienz

approx. 45 km + train ride

A train ride takes you comfortably from Lienz to Innichen. The river Drau is still a young river in this section, babbling and breaking her way through the narrow Pustertal-valley. Defiant fortresses, castels and palaces rise majestically above the valley and herald desires of the once rich and powerful. Modest Romanesque chapels, Gothic and Baroque churches, crucifixes and piety columns invite for a short break. Over a long distance the rugged, bizzare rockfaces of the Lienz-Dolomites tower over the landscape and hence turn today's stage into an unforgettable experience.

Hotel (example):

**Schlossberghof** 



From Lienz, the confluence of the rivers Isel and Drau, you again follow the river Drau now appearing in a shade of gray, by the locals called 'glacier milk', which is due to very fine rock particles coming from the gigantic rocks. Along ancient Roman trade routes - past ruins, castles, little churches and wayside crosses - you cycle through the picturesque Oberdrautal-valley. En route you pass pretty villages such as Pirkach, Oberdrauburg and the first market town on Carinthian soil, Dellach.

You cycle mostly along the river Drau through the marvellous Carinthian farmland featuring forests, fields, old farm houses and little hamlets. Cosy wine taverns, called ,Buschenschenken' await with proper farm food and invite you to take a break. Past time-honoured farm houses decorated with flowers the well-developed Drau cycle path takes you to Spittal an der Drau. The centre of Spittal features a main square, which you might call, cute' and a particularly beautiful palace, which is considered one of the most impressive Renaissance building with the clearest style in all of Central Europe and is called ,Porcia' named after the previous owners.

Hotel sample:

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### Spittal – St. Jakob im Rosental

approx. 70 km

Today you cycle through the Cultural Promenade of Upper Corinthia'. You leave the area of Spital along the river Drau and immerse yourself into an ancient cultural scenery, meadows and forests and idyllic wetland- areas. Past Kellerberg palace always along the river Drau you reach Villach. The heart of Villach features the pretty old part of town with its Italian flair and the cosy pubs and restaurants. The Drau-metropolis presents itself to visitors adequately as vivacious and oozing southern flair. Part of the charcter of the town is definitely the river Drau, meandering through Villach just like a blue ribbon. Further the tour leads you through the enchanting Rosental.valley. The Karawanks-mountain range and the river Drau offer a more than impressive backdrop for an unforgettable day of cycling. Amazing conglomerate rocks flank the river and again and again offer fascinating views. On one of these rocks Hollenburg castle rises, the landmark of the Rosental-valley. If you fancy slightly extending the in comparison rather short tour, we recommend en route a detour to Velden or embark on a round trip to Lake Faaker See.

Hotel sample:

Rosentaler Hof



## St. Jakob im Rosental – Lake Klopein

approx. 55 km

Along beautifully designed dam-paths the cycling tour leads you through meadows and fields and past little hamlets towards the giant Völkermarkter-reservoir. Now you bid farewell to your loyal companion the river Drau, so you get to enjoy Lake Klopeiner See with its marvellous location. Time to drink in the lakescape and leave all your cares behind.

Hotel sample:

<u>Menüwirt</u>



## Departure or extension

## Tour character

The Drau cycle path mainly runs directly along the Drau-riverbank, is perfectly developed, good road conditions and is signposted throughout.

Season 2

149.00

## Prices and events

Place of arrival: Lienz

Season 1

149.00

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	30.04.2023 - 13.05.2023	14.05.2023 - 03.06.2023	04.06.2023 -	
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	Arrival Sunday	Arrival Sunday	Arrival Sunday	
Drau Cycle Path, 6 days, sporty, AT-DRRLK-06X-SPO				
Base price	669.00	729.00	789.00	

Category: 3\*\*\* and 4\*\*\*\* hotels

Surcharge single room

# Additional nights

Place of arrival: Lienz

	<b>Season 1</b> Apr 30, 2023 - May 13, 2023    Oct 1, 2023 - Oct 8, 2023    Arrival Sunday	Season 2 May 14, 2023 - Jun 3, 2023   Sep 10, 2023 - Sep 30, 2023   Arrival Sunday	<b>Season 3</b> Jun 4, 2023 - Sep 9, 2023   Arrival Sunday
Lienz			
Double room p. P.	85.00	85.00	85.00
Surcharge single room	25.00	25.00	25.00
Lake Klopein			
Double room p. P.	79.00	79.00	79.00
Surcharge single room	19.00	19.00	19.00

# Our rental bikes

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Season 3

149.00

21-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	
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7-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	89.00
rental bike PLUS incl. rental bike insurance	145.00
Electric bike incl. rental bike insurance	219.00

Prices per person in EUR

# Services and infos

#### Services

#### Included:

- Accommodation as already mentioned
- Breakfast
- Welcome briefing (German, English)
- Luggage transfer
- EUROBIKE developed route
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English)
- 1 train ride Lienz Innichen incl. your bike
- App for Navigation and GPS-data available
- Service hotline

#### **Optional extras:**

- Return transfer by minibus to Lienz every Sunday morning, costs EUR 95 per person, extra EUR 29 for your own bike,, to be paid for in advance, reservation is necessary
- Bike rental, including rental bike insurance

#### Infos

### **Arrival / Parking / Departure:**

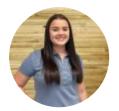
- Lienz train station.
- Klagenfurt airport.
- Public car park near the hotel approx. EUR 35 per week, parking spaces free of charge at the edge of town.
- From Lake Klopeinersee by bus or taxi to Völkermarkt and then by train to Lienz.

#### Things to note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price!
- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found here!

# Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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#### **Book now**

