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Salzburg – Grado

CYCLE FROM SALZBURG TO GRADO

This cycle tour starts in the beautiful festival city of Salzburg. After you have said 'Hello' to Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, you will cycle from the Alps to the sea on two wheels. The special thing about this cycle tour is the interplay of cultural highlights, impressive natural landscapes and charming towns. One thing is always present: indulgence. Because what would a cycle tour be without culinary delights? Curious? Hop on the saddle and head south.

Details about the cycle tour from Salzburg to Grado

Along Austria's cycle paths towards Italy: After enjoying a coffee in Salzburg's old town, take the bike towards St. Johann im Pongau. Accompanied by fantastic natural scenery, you will continue cycling to the Carinthian region. Genuine customs, tasty cuisine and warm hospitality: you can experience all of this on a cycle through Austrian nature. As you pedal you come closer and closer to Italy. Once in Grado you will be overwhelmed with joy! The Italian flair, the charming old town and the wonderful warmth will brighten your mood. Now it's time to enjoy La Dolce Vita!

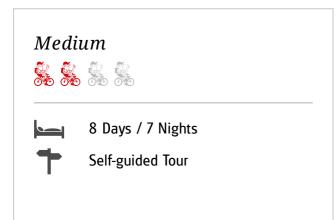
Highlights of the Alpe-Adria Cycle Path

- Porcia Renaissance Castle: The stopover in Spittal an der Drau is all about culture. All Renaissance lovers can look forward to this! In this city you can pay a visit to the most beautiful Renaissance building in the northern Alps, Porcia Castle. A must-see!
- Grado: In the charming fishing town, you can set your soul free. The restaurants in the alleyways of the old town spoil you with pizza, pasta and fine wines. Just lovely! The historic harbour and the extensive beach on the Adriatic coast make this town very special.

Useful information about the cycle tour from the city of Mozart to Italy

Over eight days you will cover around 375 kilometres on well-developed cycle paths. With daily stages of 55 to 75 kilometres there is plenty time for relaxation and enjoyment. Need a rest? During the two long train journeys you can treat your body to a well-deserved break and gather your strength.

- Get all information and many more tour tips for our cycle tours in Carinthia and our cycle tours along the <u>Alpe-Adria cycle path</u>.
- More information about the topic <u>Crossing the Alps</u> you'll find here.
- We also offer this tour in the <u>charm version</u>.



To the online version



Itinerary

Arrival in Salzburg

Individual arrival in the festival-, Mozart- and cultural city of Salzburg. Winding alleyways and squares invite you to take a stroll and languorous cafés entice you to sample genuine Austrian café-specialities. You live and breath culture and history literally with every step you take.

Hotel (example): Hotel Goldenes Theater



DAY

1

Salzburg – St. Johann

approx. 65 km

Out of Salzburg and off headed South. You cycle along wetlands in the shade along the river Salzach to Hallein, a formerly wealthy Celtic town due to salt mining. Hallein surprises with a romantic historic town centre including little alleyways, archways and oppulent house fronts. Past the roaring waterfall you pass Golling and continue along the well-developed cycle path onwards to St. Johann. Distinctive - just like twin-peaks - the steeples of the Pongau cathedral rise.

Hotel (example): Brückenwirt

DAY 3

St. Johann – Mölltal Valley approx. ca. 60 km + train ride

Shortly after Schwarzach you bid farewell to the river Salzach, from today onwards the Gasteiner Ache leads you through the wild-romantic Gasteiner-valley. Via Dorfgastein and Bad Hofgastein you cycle into the renowned spaand ski resort Bad Gastein situated at the foot of the Hohen Tauern-mountain chain, offering a variety of natural history- and architectural sights. The Gasteiner waterfall is the landmark situtated in the centre of town, which has been the focal point of many artists and poets. Now it is only a short distance to Böckstein, where a train takes you in only 10 minutes through the ,Tauernschleuse' to the other side of the Alps to Mallnitz. Back on your bike you enjoy the speedy descent to your hotel in the Mölltal-valley.

Hotel (example): Erlebnishotel Mölltal



Mölltal Valley – Villach

approx. 70 km

Initially you cycle along the river Möll through the impressive alpine landscapes today.

The Drautal-valley starts in the village of Möllbrücke and hence the sunny South of Austria. Nearly effortlessly your bike rolls in a slight descent along the river Drau. In Spittal you get to visit the Renaissance-palace ,Porcia' – sometimes called the ,most beautiful Renaissance-building north of the Alps'. Just a bit more pedalling and soon you have reached Villach, with its enchanting old part of town, Southern flair and inviting pubs and restaurants.

Hotel (example): Hotel Voco



DAY

6

Villach – Venzone/Surroundings

approx. 60 km + train ride

You bypass the ascent to Tarvis by train. In Italy too the cycle paths are well-developed and so you cycle leisurely downhill through the Kanaltal-valley and from your bike get to marvel at the beauty of the Friulian alpine region with its intact, unspoilt nature and extensive forests. Your Day Finish is one of the picturesque villages located at the foothills of the Julian Alps.

Hotel (example): Hotel Pittis

Venzone/Surroundings – Udine

approx. ca. 55 km

At the Southern exit of the Kanaltal-valley is the location of one of the most beautiful historic villages of the Friulian-Julian-Veneto. The focus of the village of Gemona del Friuli is the majestic cathedral Santa Maria Assunta and will blow you away. En route to Udine you come across the first vineyards and vines along the cycle route. Once you arrive in town feel and experience the ,dolce vita' over a coffee enjoyed on the ,Piazza' or during a stroll through the alleyways whilst marvelling at the late Gothic and Renaissance architecture.

Hotel (example): Clocchiatti Next



Udine – Grado

approx. 55 km

Feel the warm breeze of the sirocco! You cycle through vast reed scenery and along little water canals towards the Gulf of Venice. In the Roman city of Aquileia, the so-called ,second Rome', we recommend you definitely plan a break before reaching the end destination of your holiday. One of the most popular Adriatic beach resorts, the historic little fishing town Grado, will not only excite you with the extensive sandy beach, but also the historic harbour and the narrow alleyways with lovely restaurants all ooze Italian flair.

Hotel (example): Hotel Rialto



Departure or Extension

Tour character

You mainly cycle on well-developed cycle paths and quiet side roads. Only a few sections lead you also along roads with heavier traffic or on dirt paths. Overall the route leads you on slightly hilly terrain, the most challenging section between St. Johann and the Gasteiner-valley can also be completed and bypassed by train.

Prices and events

Place of arrival: Salzburg

	Season 1 24.04.2023 - 12.05.2023 30.09.2023 - 08.10.2023 daily	Season 2 13.05.2023 - 26.05.2023 09.09.2023 - 29.09.2023 daily	Season 3 27.05.2023 - 08.09.2023 daily		
Alpe-Adria-Cycle-Path, 8 days, Salzburg - Grado, AT-AARSG-08X					
Base price	999.00	1,129.00	1,199.00		
Surcharge single room	349.00	349.00	349.00		

Category: 3***- and 4****-hotels

Additional nights

Place of arrival: Salzburg

	Season 1 Apr 24, 2023 - May 12, 2023 Sep 30, 2023 - Oct 8, 2023 daily	Season 2 May 13, 2023 - May 26, 2023 Sep 9, 2023 - Sep 29, 2023 daily	Season 3 May 27, 2023 - Sep 8, 2023 daily
Salzburg			
Double room p. P.	85.00	85.00	99.00
Surcharge single room	59.00	59.00	59.00
Grado			
Double room p. P.	89.00	89.00	89.00
Surcharge single room	35.00	35.00	35.00

Our rental bikes

Filter

21-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
21-gear gents incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
Rental bike PLUS incl. rental bike insurance	159.00
Electric bike incl. rental bike insurance	239.00
7-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00

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 Böckstein Mallnitz incl. your bike
- 1 train ride Villach Tarvis incl. your bike
- App for Navigation and GPS-data available
- Service hotline

Infos

Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Salzburg train station
- Salzburg airport
- Hotel car park about EUR 15/ day, to be paid for at the time, no reservation possible/necessary! Public park garage about Eur 85/ week
- The return journey by public transport is only possible with a change of trains

Optional extras:

- Return transfer to Salzburg every Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning, costs EUR 169 per person, extra EUR 29 for your own bike, to be paid for in advance, reservation is necessary.
- Bike rental, including rental bike insurance

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 <u>here!</u>

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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