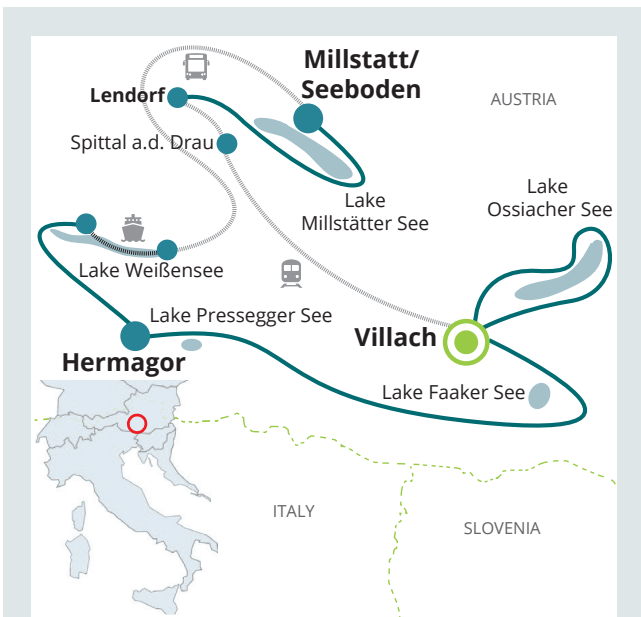


Bicycle holiday
CARINTHIAN LAKE LOOP: WEST

Past Lake Weißensee, Lake Millstätter See, Lake Pressegger See and Lake Faaker See



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DESCRIPTION

The Carinthian Lake Loop is a bicycle tour to the most beautiful lakes of Carinthia. Past blue and turquoise lakes, accompanied by a hilly and mountainous landscape, the route fascinates with a varied landscape. The Mediterranean influence in the south of Austria makes cycling a pleasure from April to October. This cycle tour is a variant of the route “Carinthian Lake Loop: Enjoyment Tour” and has no sections with steep slopes or on paved roads. The cycle tour takes you from Villach, the cycling capital of Carinthia, to Lake Millstätter See, Lake Weißensee, Lake Pressegger See, Lake Faaker See and Lake Ossiacher See.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ROUTE

This tour leads mostly on well laid out bicycle routes, often directly along the lakesides. The route is mainly flat, in a few stages slightly hilly. Tour also suitable for families with children aged 12 and over.

self-guided tour

bicycle holiday

DIFFICULTY: easy

DURATION: 6 days / 5 nights

DISTANCE: approx. 165 km



A DAY BY DAY ACCOUNT OF THE ROUTE

Day 1: Arrival

Individual arrival at the starting-hotel in Villach. Parking place close to the hotel available.

Day 2: Villach – Lake Millstätter See round trip – Millstatt/Seeboden (approx. 30 km)

In the morning you take the train to Lendorf near Spittal a.d. Drau. From there you cycle on secondary roads to Lake Millstätter See, which is completely surrounded by a cycle path. You will discover the untouched south shore without any roads where you can enjoy a breathtaking view of the lake in many places. Along the northern shore you cycle, partly directly along the lake, to the capital of the region, Millstatt (Already the Austrian emperor spent his holidays here, and many elegant villas from this era are still preserved) or you cycle a few more kilometres to Seeboden.

Day 3: Millstatt/Seeboden – Lake Weißensee – Hermagor/Lake Pressegger See (approx. 30 km)

In the morning, a shuttle bus takes you up to Lake Weißensee. From there, a boat will take you to the starting point of the bike tour. The trip starts with a short slope before turning downhill again along the dreamy Gitschtal Valley, to the small town of Hermagor and then to Lake Pressegger See.

Day 4: Hermagor/Lake Pressegger See – Gailtal Valley – Lake Faaker See – Villach (approx. 60 km)

Your cycle tour today takes you downhill along the Gailtal Valley cycle path. The wide valley is unspoilt and the cycle path runs right through the natural landscape along the river. At the beginning of the cycle tour you will pass Lake Pressegger See. Like all Carinthian lakes, it is a bathing lake with warm temperatures. Part of the tour then leads before Villach at the foot of the majestic Dobratsch mountain through a nature reserve that was created in the course of a historic rock fall. Here, too, you cycle directly along the Gail river, which is wide and shallow at this point and used as a bathing spot by many nature lovers. The cycle path continues towards Lake Faaker See. It is the emerald among the Carinthian lakes, not very big but very warm and turquoise like the Caribbean. You circle the lake from south to east and then cycle along the Drava cycle path to Villach, your today's destination.

Day 5: Villach – Lake Ossiacher See round trip – Villach (approx. 45 km)

The river Seebach leads you out of Villach and soon you will notice the castle ruin of Landskron, dominating the valley below. Surrounded by the idyllic mountain scenery, you will come across inviting bathing resorts and the romantic Ossiach monastery. The dark green colour of the lake water is really inviting to take a last bath before closing the roundtrip in Villach.

Day 6: Departure

Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay.

OUR TIP: Combine the tours “Carinthian Lake Loop: West” and “Carinthian Lake Loop: East” to a relaxing 10-days-tour through the Carinthian Lake district.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Classification of the cycle tour: self-guided tour

Duration: 6 days/5 nights

Distance: approx. 165 km

Starting point: Villach

ARRIVAL

By car: Villach is easily accessible on the motorways A2, A10 or A11 (depending on the point of origin).

By train: Good train connections to Villach. Timetables: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com

By plane: Airports Klagenfurt, Salzburg and Ljubljana. There are good train connections from all these cities to your starting point.

ACCOMMODATION

Hotels in 3- and 4-star-category // Attention: Tourist tax – if requested – has to be paid on the spot.

PARKING

Depending on the first hotel, unattended parking facilities are available either directly at your hotel or nearby (for the first night) //

Public parking garage (approx. €35.00 per week). // Reservation of the parking area/parking garage not possible; payable on the spot.

RENTAL BIKES

21-gears women's or men's bicycle // E-bike (UNISEX bike, 500 W battery; range up to 100 km)

INCLUDED SERVICES

- Accommodation in hotels in 3- and 4-star-category (Not all accommodations are directly located nearby the lake!)
- Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- On the day of arrival, our service team is available on site for questions and bike handover.
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Transfers according to the program: Villach – Lendorf near Spittal a.d. Drau (train), Millstatt – Lake Weißensee, boat trip Lake Weissensee east shore – Neusach
- Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, route description, places to visit, important telephone numbers)
- Telephone service hotline for the entire tour

NOT INCLUDED SERVICES

- Arrival to the starting point of the tour
- Departure at the end of the tour
- Drinks, tourist tax and all extras
- Lunch, Dinner
- Not mentioned entries
- Not mentioned train and boat tickets
- Rental bikes and travel insurance
- All not expressly mentioned under the item “Included services”

STARTING DATES 2022

ARRIVAL

Every Sunday: 24/04/2022 (first available date) to 02/10/2022 (last available date)

Additionally every Wednesday: 18/06/2022 to 11/09/2022

DISABLED DATES (no start possible!)

22/05/2022 up to and including 25/05/2022 // 31/07/2022 up to and including 03/08/2022 // 04/09/2022 up to and including 07/09/2022

NON SCHEDULE ARRIVAL DATES

Minimum of 5 persons upon request!

PRICES 2022

SELF-GUIDED TOUR	
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 1*	€ 499.00*
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 2**	€ 599.00**
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 3***	€ 638.00***
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 105.00
ADDITIONAL SERVICES	
Rental Bike	€ 59.00
E-bike	€ 129.00
EXTRA NIGHTS IN VILLACH	
Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast	€ 59.00
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 17.00

* Season 1: arrival dates 24/04/2022 and 02/10/2022

** Season 2: arrival dates from 25/04/2022 up to and including 17/06/2022 and from 12/09/2022 up to and including 01/10/2022

*** Season 3: arrival dates from 18/06/2022 up to and including 11/09/2022

We suggest travel insurance. Changes in the offer as well as errors, printing errors and arithmetic errors reserved!