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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 Faaker See, Lake Klopeiner See and via the provincial capital of Klagenfurt to Lake Wörthersee or the Keutschacher Seental Valley back to Villach and finally around 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 8 and over.

self-guided tour

bicycle holiday



DIFFICULTY: easy



DURATION: 6 days / 5 nights



DISTANCE: approx. 200 – 210 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 Faaker See – Rosegg/Mühlbach (approx. 35 – 40 km)

You start in Villach and through the small town the way leads out in the direction of Lake Faaker See, the emerald among the Carinthian lakes – not very big, but very warm and turquoise like the Caribbean. You will circumnavigate the lake from south to east and then ride along the Drava cycle path, which will take you to your destination.

### Day 3: Rosegg/Mühlbach – Lake Klopeiner See (approx. 55 – 65 km)

Today the bike tour leads you through the charming Rosental Valley. During your journey along the Drava cycle path you get the possibility for the one or another cultural or sportive side trip. At Lake Feistritz you can do canoeing or you visit the gunsmiths and Carnica museum of apiculture in Ferlach. Gain an insight view on bee hives, beekeeping tools and much more. The exhibition also documents the apiculture traditions of the Rosental Valley. The Tscheppaschlucht gorge is 1.2 km long. The 26 m high Tschauko waterfall and the gateway through the rock are well worth seeing. Today's cycle tour along the Drava cycle path (awarded 5 stars by the ADFC) is mostly flat here, often directly along the river Drava and through unspoilt nature to Lake Klopeiner See, one of the warmest bathing lakes in Carinthia.

### Day 4: Lake Klopeiner See – Klagenfurt – Velden via Lake Wörthersee north bank (approx. 45 km) or Keutschacher Seental Valley (approx. 50 km)

A lap around Lake Klopeiner See shouldn't be missed before you cycle along the Völkermarkt reservoir and via Grafenstein back towards Klagenfurt. The tour is comfortable, the path leads flat directly to the provincial capital of Carinthia. The town is a manageable size, the medieval centre very beautiful with well-preserved houses and today the heart of the city. A stroll around the Old and New Square, where the landmark Lindwurm stands, is a must. After that, you leave the city along the Lendkanal channel and cycle directly to the shore of lake Wörthersee. You now have the choice: either you take the cycle path along the northern shore of Lake Wörthersee through famous bathing resorts or you cycle through the untouched Keutschacher Seental Valley with its four additional lakes. Both variants are charming and converge at the final destination of this stage. If you want to spend more time in Klagenfurt, you can also shorten the route on Lake Wörthersee by taking a train ride or one of the Wörthersee boats (tickets not included).

### Day 5: Velden – Lake Ossiacher See – Villach (approx. 50 km)

The first section today takes you back along the Drava cycle path, past Lake Silbersee towards Villach. Shortly before Villach you turn off to Lake Ossiacher See, where you will soon catch sight of the castle ruin of Landskron towering high above the countryside. Idyllically nestled in the surrounding mountains, inviting bathing resorts welcome you. You cycle past the romantic Ossiach monastery and through the Bleistatt bog. The dark green colour of the water is something special. You cycle around Lake Ossiacher See and then return to Villach – the starting point of your enjoyment cycling tour “Carinthian Lake Loop: East”.

### 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. 200 – 210 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](http://www.deutschebahn.de), [www.oebb.at](http://www.oebb.at), [www.trenitalia.com](http://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 100km)

### 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
- 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 Saturday and Sunday: 26/04/2022 (first available date) to 04/10/2022 (last available date)

Additionally every Wednesday: 22/06/2022 to 07/09/2022

#### 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*	€ 459.00*
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 2**	€ 559.00**
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 3***	€ 598.00***
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 26/04/2022 and 04/10/2022

\*\* Season 2: arrival dates from 27/04/2022 up to and including 17/06/2022 and from 12/09/2022 up to and including 03/10/2022

\*\*\* 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!