

Bicycle holiday

INNSBRUCK – VENICE

From the Nordkette mountain range to the Gondoliers

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DESCRIPTION

This cycling tour to Venice follows the well-known cycle track "münchen – venezia" and joins pure leisure cycling with the adventure of traversing the Alps from the mountains to the Adria. On cycling paths, cycle routes or small side roads you will experience different regions and lots of outstanding natural and cultural beauties. The cycling route will lead you through the UNESCO world natural heritage – the Dolomites – to Treviso and finally to the gates of the Serenissima – Venice, with its doges palaces and famous canals.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ROUTE

The cycling tour from Innsbruck to Venice is a very varied tour. The most demanding stages over the Alps (Innsbruck – Brenner) can be shortened by train or bus and the stage from Dobbiaco to Cortina d'Ampezzo leads easily along the cycle path on the old railway trail. The last two days are downhill and flat towards the sea. The tour is suitable for children from the age of 16.



A DAY BY DAY ACCOUNT OF THE ROUTE

Day 1: Arrival

Individual arrival at the starting hotel in Innsbruck.

Day 2: Innsbruck – Rio di Pusteria (approx. 55 km + train/bus)

You leave Tyrol's capital Innsbruck. The demanding part from Innsbruck to the Brennero pass, border between Austria and Italy and at the same time watershed and cultural axis, will be done by transfer (train or bus). Only a few buildings remind of the former border between the two European countries. From the Brennero you cycle along the old railway track to Vipiteno and further on to Fortezza and Rio di Pusteria.

Day 3: Rio di Pusteria – Villabassa / Dobbiaco (approx. 50 – 55 km)

From Rio di Pusteria a well-built cycling path leads you through the Val Pusteria, passing the Mühlbacher Klause, a former border post. Once it was an antique gate between the provinces Rätien and Norikum. Along the river Rienz you will arrive to Brunico. We suggest a visit of the "Volkskundemuseum" (South Tyrolean Folklore Museum) in Teodone or one of the two Messner Mountain Museums MMM in the castle of Brunico or on the Kronplatz mountain. From Brunico you cycle along the cycling path along the river Rienz to Villabassa or Dobbiaco, where you will spend the night.

Day 4: Villabassa / Dobbiaco - Cortina d'Ampezzo (approx. 30 - 35 km)

From here you follow the cycling path on the old Dolomites railway trail, passing lake Toblacher See and the War Cemetery reminding World War I. Shortly after, you will admire a unique view on the world famous "Drei Zinnen" (Three Peaks) before arriving to lake Dürrensee. Slightly steep the cycling path leads to the border of the two provinces Bolzano and Belluno. From now on you roll comfortably downhill direction south to the pearl of the Dolomites, Cortina d'Ampezzo with its astonishing mountain scenery.

Day 5: Cortina d'Ampezzo – Longarone (approx. 55 km)

Today is slightly downhill again, a large part still on the old railway trail – on your left the massif of Sorapis, on your right the massif "Cinque Torri" (five towers). Through the Boite Valley you cycle direction south to Pieve di Cadore. Continue cycling on the new cycling path to Longarone. This town was completely rebuilt in 1963 after a landslide filled the dam above the village and caused a flood.

Day 6: Longarone – Conegliano (approx. 55 km)

On the cycle path you follow the river Piave, before it changes its direction at the village "Ponte nelle Alpi" (Bridge in the Alps) and turns right. The route leads you through the region Alpago past Lake Santa Croce to Conegliano. Together with Valdobbiadene this is Prosecco's homeland! Conegliano is seated at the foot of the Colli Veneti at river Monticano. In the historic centre at the Via XX Settembre you may visit the castle with its town museum.

Day 7: Conegliano – Treviso (approx. 50 km)

You leave the Alps behind and cycle through the plains to Treviso, city of waterways and fashion. On your way you can admire numerous villas from the Italian master-builder Palladio, who was able to complete here his magnificent buildings under the influence of the leading European sea power Venice.

Day 8: Treviso - Venice mainland / Mestre (approx. 45 km)

River Sile remains your faithful companion direction Adriatic Sea to Venice mainland/Mestre from where you can start your exploration of the "Serenissima".

Day 9: Departure

Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Classification of the cycle tour: self-guided tour Duration: 9 days/8 nights Distance: approx. 345 km Starting point: Innsbruck

ARRIVAL

By car: From the North - motorway A9, from the South using the Brennero motorway A22 to Innsbruck.

By train: Innsbruck train station. Timetables: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com

By plane: Airports Munich, Innsbruck, Treviso or Venice Marco Polo. We organize transfers from the airport to the starting point of the cycle tour on request.

ACCOMMODATION

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

TRANSFER

Good train connections from Venice/Mestre to Innsbruck. Timetables: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com

RENTAL BIKES

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

INCLUDED SERVICES

- Accommodation in hotels in 3- and 4-star-category
- Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Transfer with train/bus: Innsbruck > Brenner pass
- Bike pit stop in Dobbiaco (only for rental bikes)
- 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
- Rental bikes and travel insurance
- All not expressly mentioned under the item "Included services"

STARTING DATES 2023

ARRIVAL

Every Friday: 05/05/2023 (first available date) to 06/10/2023 (last available date)

DISABLED DATES (no start possible!) 11/08/2023 up to and including 19/08/2023

NON SCHEDULE ARRIVAL DATES Minimum of 5 persons upon request!



PRICES 2023

SELF-GUIDED TOUR	
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 1*	€ 1,139.00*
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 2**	€ 1,199.00**
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 260.00
ADDITIONAL SERVICES	
Rental Bike (return transport from Venice to Munich included)	€ 139.00
Rental Bike TOP (return transport from Venice to Munich included)	€ 179.00
E-bike (return transport from Venice to Munich included)	€ 249.00
EXTRA NIGHTS IN INNSBRUCK	
Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast	on request
Single room surcharge, per person	on request
EXTRA NIGHTS IN VENICE MAINLAND/MESTRE	
Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast	€ 89.00
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 29.00

* Season 1: arrival dates from 05/05/2023 up to and including 17/06/2023 and from 01/09/2023 up to and including 06/10/2023

** Season 2: arrival dates from 24/06/2023 up to and including 26/08/2023

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