



FunActive TOURS/Harald Wisthaler



DESCRIPTION

The base of your bicycle holiday will be Poreč, which is probably the most important coast town at the west coast of the peninsula Istria in Croatia. Probably the most famous building in Poreč is the Episcopal building with the Euphrasius Basilica, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ROUTE

Most of the time the route runs along traffic free side roads in the hinterland of Istria or along the coast. The tour is suitable for children over 14 years.

self-guided tour

bicycle holiday / based in one hotel



DIFFICULTY: easy



DURATION: 8 days / 7 nights



DISTANCE: approx. 270 km



A DAY BY DAY ACCOUNT OF THE ROUTE

Day 1: Arrival

Individual arrival at the hotel in Poreč. We suggest a visit to the Euphrasian Basilica – listed as UNESCO World Heritage.

Day 2: Round trip Poreč (approx. 35 km)

The first cycling day takes you on an exploration tour through the hinterland of Poreč. First you cycle along the coast to the bathing resort Santa Marina di Vabriga and then to Vabriga. You leave the coast again and continue cycling in the inland to Višnjan and back to Poreč.

Day 3: Poreč – Vrsar – Limski channel – Poreč (approx. 40 km)

Today you will cycle from Poreč to the famous fjord-like Limski channel with its blue shimmering water. Today the Limski channel is a National Park and on the coast you find mussels and oyster farms. Through the inland you will get back to Poreč.

Day 4: Grožnjan – Buje – Novigrad – Poreč (approx. 55 km)

After a short transfer you will reach the artists' village of Grožnjan. It is today a meeting point for musicians from all over the world. During summer a lot of classical concerts with young musicians take place here. In the second half of July you can join the festival "Jazz is back". In the end of September artists meet for "Ex Tempore" – performing arts. From Grožnjan you cycle passing Buje downhill to the Adriatic coast and along to Novigrad (in Italian *Cittanova*). This small medieval town is surrounded by a defensive wall and is seated at the mouth of the Mirna river. On your way back you will pass the cave "Jama Baredine" – a dripstone cave, before reaching Poreč again.

Day 5: Motovun – Poreč (approx. 45 km)

After a short transfer to the hinterland of Poreč the first stop is Motovun, a formerly important strategic point of the Venetians, invulnerable on the top of a steep hill. You may surround this medieval town and enjoy the breath taking view on the surrounded hilly landscape, the sea and the Mirna valley. Along the Parenzana cycle path you continue your ride to Vižinada from where you will see once again the impressive town of Motovun before going back to Poreč.

Day 6: Poreč – Rovinj (approx. 55 km)

Today you will reach Rovinj, one of the most beautiful cities in Istria. Rovinj is surrounded in the west and the south west by the Adriatic Sea. Afar the high bell tower of the Euphemia Church built on the highest spot of Rovinj, greets you. Go ahead, if you would like to cycle to Zlatni rt (also known as Golden Cape), a peninsula, where you find a park in a nature reserve. Return transfer to Poreč in the afternoon.

Day 7: Kanfanar – Pula (approx. 40 km)

After a transfer to Kanfanar you cycle through wide woods to Pula. In Fažana you have the possibility to visit the Brijuni islands by boat. Continue your cycling trip to Pula, the biggest city of Istria. Famous for the antique places of interest like the amphitheatre. Return transfer to Poreč in the evening.

Day 8: Departure

Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Classification of the cycle tour: self-guided tour

Duration: 8 days/7 nights

Distance: approx. 270 km

Starting point: Poreč

ARRIVAL

By car: Via the Tauern motorway to Villach and over the border crossing Arnoldstein to Udine and Trieste. From Trieste on the motorway to Koper (toll charge!) and via the E751 through Slovenia to Croatia – Poreč (toll charge!).

By plane: Airports Ronchi dei Legionari (Trieste) or Pula. There are good bus connections (airport shuttle) from the airport Ronchi dei Legionari to Trieste. From there you continue by bus.

ACCOMMODATION

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

PARKING

Car parking available at your starting-hotel. Reservation of the parking area not possible; payable on the spot.

RENTAL BIKES

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

INCLUDED SERVICES

- Accommodation in a hotel in 4-star-category
- Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- *If you have booked half board:* at least three-course menu or buffet
- Video briefing/Information video about the cycling tour
- Transfers according to the programme
- Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, route description, places to visit, important telephone numbers)
- Telephone service hotline for the entire tour
- Navigation app

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 (if not booked half board)
- Not mentioned entries
- Rental bikes and travel insurance
- All not expressly mentioned under the item "Included services"

STARTING DATES 2024

ARRIVAL

Every Wednesday and Saturday: 30/03/2024 (first available date) to 03/11/2024 (last available date)

DISABLED DATES (no start possible!)

28/07/2024 up to and including 21/08/2024

NON SCHEDULE ARRIVAL DATES

Minimum of 5 persons upon request!

PRICES 2024

SELF-GUIDED TOUR	
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 1*	€ 799.00*
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 2**	€ 869.00**
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast – Season 3***	€ 899.00***
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 229.00
Halfboard surcharge, per person	€ 199.00
ADDITIONAL SERVICES	
Rental Bike	€ 99.00
Rental Bike TOP	€ 169.00
E-bike	€ 249.00
EXTRA NIGHTS IN POREČ	
Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast	€ 89.00
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 39.00

* Season 1: arrival dates 30/03/2024 and 03/11/2024

** Season 2: arrival dates from 31/03/2024 up to and including 14/06/2024 and from 12/09/2024 up to and including 02/11/2024

*** Season 3: arrival dates from 15/06/2024 up to and including 11/09/2024

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