







# Canal du Midi

## Enjoyment and precious buildings.

60.000 trees have been planted along Canal du Midi in France to affix the bank. Until today many trees are seaming the waterway which leads from Toulouse to the Mediterranean Sea. The trees also shade the tow paths and roads which are leading during this journey to the numerous cultural monuments: to cathedrals and palaces, to roman and medieval buildings. Besides richness of culture there are also culinary delicacies located at Canal du Midi. Great wine is growing and wonderful cuisine has its origin here. Enjoyment is tradition.



10 Days / 9 Nights



Individual

To the online version



# Itinerary

DAY  
1

## Arrival in Toulouse

Welcome briefing and distribution of rental bikes (if booked).

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DAY  
2

## Toulouse – Castelnaudary | approx. 60 km

Castelnaudary is the destination of your tour today. In former times it was the place of a lot of mills. Till today the Moulin de Cagurel from the 17th century on the pestilence hill testifies it. Splendid manors, built in the 17th century too, and beautiful half-timbered houses let this town become an architectural jewel. A popular culinary delicacy in Castelnaudary is the savoury bean stew Cassoulet, which came up during the Hundred Years' War. Pork or duck, bacon, garlic sausage and white beans are possible ingredients.

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DAY  
3

## Castelnaudary – Mirepoix | approx. 50 km

Follow the Canal du Midi as far as Bram, then head towards the Pyrenees. On an old railroad line that has been converted for cyclists, the ascent is moderate and you cycle through railroad tunnels, over viaducts and bridges to Mirepoix, an enchanting bastide from the Middle Ages.

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DAY  
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## Mirepoix – Carcassonne | approx. 60 km

Back through the Ariège countryside, a peaceful and meditative agricultural landscape with rolling hills, to Carcassonne. There, the imposing Cité, the largest fortified city in Europe, awaits you in the heart of the Cathars.

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DAY  
5**Roundtrip Montolieu** | approx. 40 km

Carcassonne free disposal or a round trip to Montolieu. There are 15 antique stores with over 200.000 books in the worth seeing city of book "Montagnes Noires". The former royal textile manufacturing was declared to a National Monument in 2004.

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DAY  
6**Carcassonne – Olonzac** | approx. 45 km

Enjoy of the most scenic parts of your journey alongside the Canal de la Robine and the Canal du Midi. Villages, wine-growing estates and vineyards are located pictorially around the waterways. You reach Olonzac. You will have the chance to taste some good wines.

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DAY  
7**Olonzac – Narbonne** | approx. 45 km

The former capital of the Romanesque antiquity was the first Roman colony outside of Italy. Sights like the relics of the street "Via Domitia" or the houses-bridge with Roman origin "Pont des Marchands" are evidences of this time. But later centuries too have left their marks in the town: for example the archbishop's palace or the Gothic cathedral.

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DAY  
8**Narbonne – Béziers** | approx. 45 km

Pines shade your way to the mouth of the Hérault and further alongside the Canal du Midi to Béziers. The town can look back to a 2,700 years old history. And it is the birthplace of that man too, who was the father of the Canal du Midi: Pierre-Paul Riquet. The alley Paul-Riquet in the centre of the town is dedicated to him. Béziers is located scenic in a winegrowing region, where the grapes for an excellent wine grow. Maybe you allow yourself a glass?

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DAY  
9**Béziers – Sète** | approx. 65 km

The further you cycle, the saltier the air becomes. The cycle path leads directly along the sea towards Sète, the largest French fishing town on the Mediterranean, also known as the "Little Venice of the Languedoc" due to its many canals. Here, an evening stroll can be perfectly combined with a good meal, as the origins of the town are Italian - as is the cuisine.

DAY  
10**Departure or extension**

# Tour character

This tour is slight-challenging. You cycle on asphalted paths, gravel roads and side roads with less traffic.



# Prices and events

Place of arrival: Toulouse

	Season 1 13.04.2024 - 26.04.2024   22.09.2024 - 05.10.2024   Arrival Saturday	Season 2 27.04.2024 - 14.06.2024   15.09.2024 - 21.09.2024   Arrival Saturday	Season 3 15.06.2024 - 14.09.2024   Arrival Saturday
Canal du Midi, 10 days, FR-CMRST-10X			
Base price	1,269.00	1,369.00	1,429.00
Surcharge single room	339.00	339.00	339.00

Category A: 3\*\*\*Hotels (french classification) and Cambre d’hotes

# Additional nights

Place of arrival: Toulouse

	Season 1 Apr 13, 2024 - Apr 26, 2024   Sep 22, 2024 - Oct 5, 2024   Arrival Saturday	Season 2 Apr 27, 2024 - Jun 14, 2024   Sep 15, 2024 - Sep 21, 2024   Arrival Saturday	Season 3 Jun 15, 2024 - Sep 14, 2024   Arrival Saturday
Toulouse			
Double room p. P.	82.00	82.00	82.00
Single room	142.00	142.00	142.00
Sète			
Double room p. P.	79.00	79.00	79.00
Single room	142.00	142.00	142.00

# Our rental bikes



Price

21-gear unisex	119.00
21-gear gents	119.00
7-gear unisex	119.00
7-gear gents	119.00
Rental bike PLUS	189.00
Electric bike	299.00

Prices per person in EUR

# Services and infos

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## Services

- Accommodation in hotels as mentioned
- Breakfast buffet or extended breakfast
- Welcome briefing (German, English)
- Well elaborated route
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English)
- Luggage transfer between the hotels
- GPS-data is available
- Service-hotline
- Bike rental, including rental bike insurance

## Infos

### Arrival / Parking / Departure


- Train station Toulouse
- Airports Toulouse, Montpellier or Béziers/Cap d'Agde
- Parking house near the hotel for about € 15,- per day
- Return transfer to Toulouse every Saturday and Monday costs € 125,- per person excl. bike, extra € 39,- for the transfer of your own bike, reservation is necessary, payable on site. Max. 6 persons.

### Please note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price!

# 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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**Book now**