



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.



Itinerary

DAY 1

Arrival in Toulouse

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

DAY 2

Toulouse – Castelnaudary approx. 60 km

Castelnaudary ist 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, you have to try it!

DAY 3

Castelnaudary – Carcassonne approx. 40 km

Carcassonne is today one of the best preserved fortress towns in Europe and since 1997 part of the UNESCO World Heritage. The mightiest building of the town and one of the biggest fortresses in Europe is the fortress Cité Médiévale of Carcassonne with its 52 towers. You can experience the lively Carcassonne best in the downtown with its lively streets and the bastion Saint Louis. Here you have the chance to taste the Micheline, an herb liqueur of the region. Worth visiting is the house of memories, which tells you a lot of things about live and fate of the Cathari. Carcassonne was a centre of the Christian Faith Movement of the Carthari, which were banished from town in 1209.

DAY 4

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.

DAY 5

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.

DAY 6

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?

DAY

Béziers – Sète | approx. 65 km

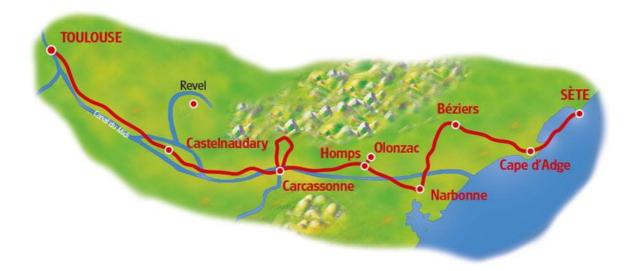
The "modern" Sète was built in the middle of the 17th century by Paul Riquet so that his Canal du Midi would have a port on the Mediterranean. There were Romans here, naming this Mons Setius some 17 centuries earlier, and pirates were ensconsced on Mont Saint-Clair in the 16th century. But it was Riquet's new "Port-Saint-Louis-du-Cap-de-Cette" that became the seaside and canal town of today.

DAY 8

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	Season 2 27.04.2024 - 14.06.2024 15.09.2024 - 21.09.2024	Season 3 15.06.2024 - 14.09.2024		
Arrival Saturday Arrival Saturday Arrival Saturday Canal du Midi, 8 days, FR-CMRST-08X					
Base price	1,049.00	1,149.00	1,199.00		
Surcharge single room	269.00	269.00	269.00		

Category A: 3*** Hotels (french classification) and Chambre 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	99.00
21-gear gents	99.00
7-gear unisex	99.00
7-gear gents	99.00
Rental bike PLUS	169.00
Electric bike	259.00

Prices per person in EUR

Services and infos

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
- Navigation-app and GPS-data
- 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, € 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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