



Schärding/Passau - Vienna

Danube cycle path - classic variant

Explore the paths along the blue Danube River just like the Romans, the legendary Nibelungs and even Europe's powerful kings and emperors did before you. You will get to know the beauty and historical significance of this ancient military and trading route. Never far away from the cool, clear water of the Danube, you will enjoy one of Europe's most beautiful and popular cycle routes.

Start your trip in Passau, the town of three rivers. You will cycle through various districts of Upper and Lower Austria and finally to the Danube metropolis of Vienna. You will love the breathtaking natural beauty of the Danube valley and the Schlögen bend or perhaps you will fall in love with the landscapes along the Danube River such as the Machland, the Strudengau or the famous Wachau. In the rural areas, to accompany these wonderful impressions, you can enjoy many traditional Austrian delicacies: from savoury dumpling specialities up to wines of the Buschenschenken taverns in the Wachau region. This cycle tour is a true classic and is ideally suited as a first cycling holiday with the whole family.

Classic



8 Days / 7 Nights



Individual

To the online version



Itinerary

DAY
1

Individual arrival to Schärding/Passau

It is recommended to arrive early because Passau has much to offer. The well-known cathedral houses the world's biggest church organ. In the evening: personal welcome briefing and handover of the bikes (if booked).

DAY
2

Schärding/Passau – Schlögen/surroundings | approx. 40 km

You will soon reach Austrian territory. First you cycle through the Sauwald region to Engelhartzell, where the only trappist monastery of Austria invites you to a liqueur tasting. Then the route guides you through the nature reserve Donauleiten, from where you reach the Schlögen Bend. This is where granite proved to be too much of an opponent and forced the Danube to change directions by 180 degrees. This natural spectacle will inspire you!

DAY
3

Schlögen/surrounding – Linz | approx. 55 km

Today you cycle through the green Eferdinger Basin via the market towns of Aschach, Ottensheim and Wilhering to the Upper Austrian capital of Linz. The historic old town has many pubs and eateries for you to discover. Other highlights of the European Capital of Culture 2009 include the magnificent views from Pöstlingberg Mountain and a walk through the Donaulände Park.

DAY
4

Linz – Ardagger/Grein | approx. 60 km

For a change the route guides you away from the course of the Danube via St. Florian (Augustinian monastery) to Enns. There you can view the town square with its 60 meter high town tower, the landmark of the oldest town in Austria, or you visit the archaeological collection in the municipal museum Lauriacum. Back on the Danube you cycle alongside and reach the beautiful little baroque town of Grein. Here you have the opportunity to visit the oldest municipal theater in Austria that is still being used. Additionally you can visit the maritime museum or Greinburg castle.

DAY
5**Ardagger/Grein – Melk** | approx. 50 km

This section of the Danube, the Strudengau, was once feared by sailors, now you can cycle along it. Where they used to fight against the Danube currents you can now take a leisurely cycle ride. In Maria Taferl, high above the Danube, you will find the magnificent pilgrimage church, which attracts many pilgrims every year. In Melk you should definitely make sure you look upwards, otherwise you miss the beauty of the Melk abbey.

DAY
6**Melk – Krems** | approx. 40 km

As soon as you leave Melk you get into the picturesque Wachau region, where you can enjoy the charming atmosphere of the region's typical orchards and vineyards. You pass through the little wine towns of Spitz and Weißenkirchen, cycle past the Dürnstein castle ruin, and finish your journey in the 1000-year old town of Krems. A wine tasting is highly recommended (and included in the package)!

DAY
7**Krems – Tulln – Vienna** | approx. 40 km + train ride

Today you start with a train ride from Krems to Tulln. In the Roman town you still can enjoy the silence and culture of the rural region over again. Sight to visit: Egon-Schiele-museum. From Tulln you cycle over Greifenstein and Klosterneuburg into Vienna. As soon as you arrive you can enjoy all the amenities of the city for the rest of the day. Enjoy a cup of coffee and the typical Vienna cake „Sachertorte“ in one of the numerous coffee houses or treat yourself to a roundtrip with the horse-drawn cab „Fiaker“. Walk along Vienna's famous shopping street (along Mariahilfer Straße), or visit the St Stephen's Cathedral.

DAY
8**Individual departure or extension**

If you are interested in we would be pleased to book some extra nights for you.

Tour character

Flat or slightly downhill along the Danube; well-built cycling path almost all the way without motor vehicles. Minor roads make up only very short sections of this route – the Danube cycle path is a perfect example of a cycle route.



Prices and events

Place of arrival: Passau

	Season Saison 1 30.03.2024 - 12.04.2024 28.09.2024 - 12.10.2024 Arrival daily	Season Saison 2 13.04.2024 - 03.05.2024 14.09.2024 - 27.09.2024 Arrival daily	Season Saison 3 04.05.2024 - 13.09.2024 Arrival daily
Danube Cycle Path, 8 days, arrival Passau, cat. A, AT-DORPW-08A			
Base price	899.00	984.00	1,049.00
Surcharge half-board	219.00	219.00	219.00
Surcharge single room	319.00	319.00	319.00
Danube Cycle Path, 8 days, arrival Passau, cat. B, AT-DORPW-08B			
Base price	799.00	874.00	939.00
Surcharge half-board	209.00	209.00	209.00
Surcharge single room	299.00	299.00	299.00
Danube Cycle Path, 8 days, arrival Passau, cat. C, AT-DORPW-08C			
Base price	699.00	764.00	829.00
Surcharge half-board	199.00	199.00	199.00
Surcharge single room	239.00	239.00	239.00

Category A: Carefully selected hotels 4**** all along the way, often best hotel on place

Category B: Accommodation at guest houses and hotels 3*** and 4****

Category C: Overnight in guesthouses, inns and hotels 3***-level

Additional nights

Place of arrival: Passau

	Season Saison 1 Mar 30, 2024 - Apr 12, 2024 Sep 28, 2024 - Oct 12, 2024 Arrival daily	Season Saison 2 Apr 13, 2024 - May 3, 2024 Sep 14, 2024 - Sep 27, 2024 Arrival daily	Season Saison 3 May 4, 2024 - Sep 13, 2024 Arrival daily
Passau			
Double room p. p. cat. A	89.00	89.00	89.00
Single room	139.00	139.00	139.00
Vienna			
Double room p. p. cat. A	89.00	89.00	89.00
Single room	159.00	159.00	159.00
Passau			
Double room p. p. cat. B	79.00	79.00	79.00
Single room	129.00	129.00	129.00
Vienna			
Double room p. p. cat. B	79.00	79.00	79.00
Single room	129.00	129.00	129.00
Passau			
Double room p. p. cat. C	74.00	74.00	74.00
Single room	119.00	119.00	119.00
Vienna			
Double room p. p. cat. C	69.00	69.00	69.00
Single room	109.00	109.00	109.00

Our rental bikes

	Price
21-gears unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
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Electric bike incl. rental bike insurance	259.00
Premium rental bike incl. rental bike insurance	169.00
7-gears unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
child seat	35.00
child trailer	89.00

Prices per person in EUR

Services and infos

Services

- 7 overnight stays in the chosen category
- Daily breakfast from buffet
- If half-board is booked: 6 x 3-course dinner (partly with voucher in close-by restaurant in walking-distance); in Vienna B&B only
- Luggage transfer between the hotels (no limit in pieces; each piece with a maximum of 20 kg)
- Service-hotline for the duration of the tour
- Excellently planned routes
- Detailed travel information (1 x per room)
- Navigation-App incl. GPX-tracks
- Personal tour information on spot
- Train ticket from Krems to Tulln, including bike
- 1 x wine tasting in the Wachau valley
- Ferry ticket at Schlögen, including bike
- If bike rental: Rental bike insurance included

Infos

Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Arrival by car or train to Schärding/Passau. Next airports: Linz, Munich or Vienna.
- Parking in Passau: there are public parking spaces with obligatory parking fees. No reservation possible, payable on spot; price: about 5 € / day;
- Parking in Schärding: Free guarded parking at our local service station in the outskirt of the city center.

- Return transfer by bus from Vienna daily; departure at approx. 2 p.m., costs € 79,- per person, extra € 39,- for the transfer of your own bike, reservation is necessary.
- Alternatively: train ride back to Passau; costs € 39,- excl. own bikes

Please note:

- Where visitor's tax is due, it is not included in the tour 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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