

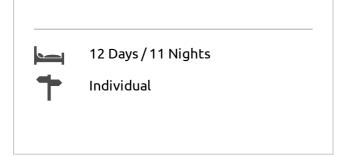




# Lake Constance - XXL cycle tour

### Lake Constance cycle path from Constance

On our longer bike tour around Lake Constance you will get to know all about the region: you cycle from Bregenz to Schaffhausen, pedal through the Appenzellerland region and will become acquainted with historic towns such as Konstanz, Stein am Rhein and Meersburg. You will be tossed around in a boat near the Rhine Falls, follow Napoleon's traces, visit the flower island of Mainau, set sail across Lake Constance and discover the town in which James Bond chased villains over Bregenz' fabulous floating stage. The legs of the route have been chosen to enable you to enjoy them too: the Great Lake Constance Cycling Holiday is not just an active holiday but a relaxing one too and is also great for inexperienced cyclists.



#### To the online version



# Itinerary

DAY 1

#### Arrival in Constance

Enjoy a stroll through the very well maintained old town of Constance with council house, the Munster, and the maze of little alleyways of Niederburg. Not to forget the Mediterranean harbour with famous "Imperia". Overnight stay is in Constance.

DAY 2

### Constance - Gailingen/Stein am Rhein

approx. 25/35 km + boat trip

This stage leads you on to the Reichenau Island. Its monastery was extremely influential in the 10th Century and was declared to be a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2001. A boat will bring you across the lake to Gaienhofen. You cycle along the Höri Peninsula and continue over the border to the Swiss town of Stein am Rhein with its picturesque old town. Soon after you will cross the border once again and reach Gailingen.

DAY 3

#### Excursion to the Rhine fall

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Today you will stay on the north bank of the Rhine and follow the course of the river into the town of 171 bay windows: Schaffhausen. The Rhine Fall is not far and you can get up close to it on a boat tour. Castle Laufen thrones high above the waterfall and from the viewing platform you will have a breath-taking view of the surroundings. In the afternoon you cycle back to Gailingen.

DAY 4

### Gailingen/Stein am Rhein – Constance approx. 30/40 km

You will cycle up along the Rhine today back to Stein am Rhein. You pass numerous picturesque Swiss fishing villages on your way back to Constance through the peaceful countryside of the Lower Lake. Napoleon's stepdaughter Hortense de Beauharnais made this area her adopted home. You can visit her former home in Arenenberg, which is now a Napoleon museum.

DAY 5

## Constance – Radolfzell | approx. 30 km

Today you will explore the *flower island* of Mainau. Make sure you take enough time to enjoy this paradise-like island on the *Überlinger See* with its luxurious, colourful flowerbeds, towering mature trees, shady forests and sweet scented roses. After your visit you will have a short cycle in the direction of Allensbach, which is well known due to its public opinion research institute, to the former imperial town of Radolfzell.

DAY

### Radolfzell – Uhldingen/Meersburg approx. 35/40 km

After leaving Radolfzell you cross the Bodanrück ridge near Stahringen to cycle to the *Überlinger See* part of the lake via Bodman. You ride along the lakeshore towards the former imperial town of Überlingen with its gothic cathedral and famous lakeside promenade. Next pedal on towards Meersburg. The Baroque pilgrimage church of Birnau and the reconstructed lake dwellings near Uhldingen are both worth a visit.

DAY 7

## Uhldingen/Meersburg – Friedrichshafen

approx. 20/25 km

Meersburg, the well known wine growing area, awaits you! You can visit the old castle, which is the oldest inhabited castle in Germany. Further attractions include the new castle with its amazing staircase and the market place which is surrounded by picturesque wooden-framed houses. Accompanied by a beautiful panoramic view of the Alps, you will cycle to Friedrichshafen where you can visit the Zeppelin museum.

DAY 8

## Friedrichshafen – Bregenz approx. 40 km

Today the tour first takes you through Langenargen. This is where you'll find Montfort Castle, built according to the old Moorish style. Next, cycle through orchards and arrive after a relaxed pedal to the Bavarian town of Lindau. The harbour is watched over by a 6 meter high lion. Soon you'll arrive in the Festival Town of Bregenz. The wonderful stage on the lake is a sight to behold at any season of the year.



## **Bregenz – St. Gallen** approx. 50 km + train journey

Near Fußach you reach the Alpine Rhine which you follow to Altstätten. From here you take the train right up into the Appenzellerland and then down through picturesque Swiss countryside to St. Gallen, home to a monastery. You have enough time there to visit the historic centre and the baroque monastery library.

DAY 10

**St. Gallen** rest day or hiking tour

Discover Sankt Gallen! The library of the collegiate church is unique all over the world. In these breath-taking Baroque style rooms, you will recognize the handwriting of the early Middle Ages. A short round bike trip or a hike are also good alternatives. The nearby Appenzellerland could be out of a picture book of Switzerland – grazing cows on green hills and in the background, the snow-covered peaks of the mountains on the horizon.

DAY 11

St. Gallen – Constance approx. 45 km

Enjoy the downhill stretch to Lake Constance and your arrival near Arbon. Next, cycle along the lake through cultivated little Swiss villages and orchards, back to Constance. Take a break wherever you want in any of the many cafes along the lakeside, or jump into the water to be refreshed! Finally, there should still be time for a visit to Rosgartenmuseum or a relaxed wander through the old quarter of Constance.

DAY 12

Departure or extension

# Tour character

All important places of interest, which are described in the route book, are included in the tour. On every day you have enough time for sightseeing. .



## Prices and events

Place of arrival: Konstanz

| Season 1      | Season 2      | Season 3                | Season 4       |
|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| 14.04.2024 -  | 26.04.2024 -  | 04.05.2024 - 16.05.2024 | 17.05.2024 -   |
| 25.04.2024    | 03.05.2024    | 20.05.2024 - 23.05.2024 | 19.05.2024     |
| 30.09.2024 -  | 15.09.2024 -  | 02.06.2024 - 28.06.2024 | 24.05.2024 -   |
| 03.10.2024    | 29.09.2024    | 25.08.2024 - 14.09.2024 | 01.06.2024     |
| Arrival daily | Arrival daily | Arrival daily           | 29.06.2024 -   |
|               |               |                         | 24.08.2024     |
|               |               |                         | Arrrival daily |

| Lake Constance Cycle Path, XXL 12 days, DE-BORKK-12X |          |          |          |          |  |  |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| Base price   | 1,399.00 | 1,599.00 | 1,799.00 | 1,899.00 |  |  |
| Surcharge single room                                | 499.00   | 499.00   | 499.00   | 499.00   |  |  |

Category: hotels 3\*\*\* and 4\*\*\*\* level

# Additional nights

Place of arrival: Konstanz

|                   | Season 1 Apr 14, 2024 - Apr 25, 2024   Sep 30, 2024 - Oct 3, 2024   Arrival daily | Season 2 Apr 26, 2024 - May 3, 2024   Sep 15, 2024 - Sep 29, 2024   Arrival daily | Season 3  May 4, 2024 - May 16, 2024    May 20, 2024 - May 23, 2024    Jun 2, 2024 - Jun 28, 2024    Aug 25, 2024 - Sep 14, 2024    Arrival daily | Season 4  May 17, 2024 - May 19, 2024    May 24, 2024 - Jun 1, 2024    Jun 29, 2024 - Aug 24, 2024    Arrrival daily |
|-------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Konstanz          |   |   |   |  |
| Double room p. p. | 89.00   | 89.00   | 89.00   | 89.00  |
| Single room       | 139.00  | 139.00  | 139.00  | 139.00   |

# Our rental bikes

Price

| 27-gears unisex incl. rental bike insurance | 99.00  |
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| 27-gears gents incl. rental bike insurance  | 99.00  |
| 8-gears unisex incl. rental bike insurance  | 99.00  |
| 8-gears gents incl. rental bike insurance   | 99.00  |
| Electric bike incl. rental bike insurance   | 259.00 |
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Prices per person in EUR

## Services and infos

#### **Services**

- Accommodation as mentioned
- Breakfast
- Luggage transfer
- Well elaborated route guidance
- Detailed travel documents (1 package per room)
- 1 Boat tour Reichenau Gaienhofen incl. bike
- 1 Boat tour to the Rhine rock

- Several entrances (Rosgarten museum Constance, island Mainau, stilt houses museum, zeppelin museum)
- 1 Journey with the Pfänderbahn excl. bicycles (bike transport from 8 till 10 a.m. for free)
- 1 Train journey Altstätten Gais incl. bike
- Service hotline
- If bike rental: rental bike insurance included

#### Infos

#### Arrival / Parking / Departure

- Constance train station
- Zürich, Friedrichshafen or Stuttgart airport
- Parking in Constance: You can park at the office of our partner travel agency for € 49,- per week, reservation necessary, to be paid for in advance.
   Or at a public multy storey car park for approx. € 25,- per day.

#### **Hinweis:**

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price!
- Bike ticket for the "Pfänderbahn" after 10 pm to be paid for at the time, approx. € 7,per bike.
- It is possible to begin from any stage destination.

# 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**

