

France - Germany - Luxembourg - Strasbourg to Luxembourg Bicycle Tour 2022 Individual Self-Guided Tour 8 Days / 7 Nights



The itinerary leads you through three quite different countries in Europe: France, Germany and Luxembourg. This beautiful bike tour begins in Strasbourg, where the historic town center is classified as a UNESCO World Heritage site. The lovely cycle path goes to the Zorn valley along the Rhine-Marne canal and its numerous locks. You arrive to the region of Saarland which offers a lot of attractions: the baroque city of Saarbrücken, the World Heritage Site "Völklinger Hütte", the museum of ceramics Villeroy & Boch and the well-known Saar bow in Mettlach. Your trip continues to the vast vineyards on the right and the left hand side of the Moselle until the roman city of Trier. For the last day you will discover other magnificent varied landscapes with green forests and colourful fields. Luxembourg City, the capital of the only Grand Duchy in the world, will surprise you with its myriad delights.



Itinerary Day to Day

Day 1: Arrival in Strasbourg

Arrival in Strasbourg, check into the hotel and opportunity for sightseeing in the city.



Day 2: Strasbourg – Saverne 50 km

You leave Strasbourg by the European Parliament. The cycle trail leads you along the towpath of the Marne-Rhine canal to reach Saverne. Many towns and villages surround the cycle path, as Brumath, the capital of Alsace in Roman times and Hochfelden, famous for its brewing tradition. You arrive to the picturesque town of Saverne with its impressive double lock. Cycle along the marina and enjoy a fantastic view at the Rohan Castle!

Day 3: Transfer Saverne – Mittersheim by bus + Mittersheim – Saarbrücken by bike 63 km

Today you begin with a transfer by bus to Mittersheim. You will cycle along the Sarre Canal and discover the beautiful forests and

countryside landscapes. From Sarreguemines, famous for its earthenware, you reach Germany. You arrive in Saarbrücken, a border city with French flair, a baroque cityscape and numerous sights and museums.

Day 4: Saarbrücken – Merzig 48 km

You will follow the Saar cycling route which takes you to cultural highlights as the World Heritage Site "Völklinger Hütte" (former ironworks). Covering an area of more than 600,000 m2, the gigantic foundry is the only fully preserved ironworks from the heyday of industrialization in the world. Then you pass in the city of the Sun King, Saarlouis, before you arrive in Merzig where you will be staying for two nights.

Day 5: Round trip in the "Merziger Äppelkischd" 36 km

Take a relaxing break in the small town of Merzig or cycle in the heart of the "Merziger Äppelkischd", which means "apple box", so named because of the many local apple orchards. On the way, you will see numerous apple trees, vast corn fields, rapeseed fields and maize fields. You will discover a lot of pieces of art (carved stones) that invite bikers to an extraordinary cycle day at the German-French border.





Day 6: Merzig – Trier 64 km

After breakfast you will be cycling a few kilometers to pass the first highlight, the Saar Bow, which is a unique natural wonder. From there you will cycle to Mettlach where you can visit the famous ceramics manufacture Villeroy & Boch. Behind the Baroque facade, you can experience more than 260 years of ceramic and corporate history. The route leads you to Saarburg a picturesque town where you can admire a waterfall of twenty meters high. Continue to the vast vineyards right and left of the river Moselle until Trier. Take your time to visit the Porta Nigra, the amphitheater, the Imperial Baths or the magnificent cathedral.



Day 7: Trier – Luxembourg 59 km

You begin this stage at the Römerbrücke and cycle again along the Moselle before you reach the border. You cycle now on small country roads, through little villages, through hilly landscapes with green forests and colorful fields. You arrive in Luxembourg, a modern and cosmopolitan city where you can visit the Ducal Palace, the Notre Dame Cathedral and the impressive casemates registered on the UNESCO world heritage list.

Day 8: Departure or extension









Technical Characteristics:

Tour Profile: Medium. You will ride mainly on cycle paths along the canals and waterways. The paths are mainly flat until Trier. Days 5 and 7 are a little bit hilly, on cycle paths, minor agricultural tarred roads or on little secondary roads without much traffic.

Distance: 320 km

Travel Season: Departures Saturdays from April 23 to October 8, 2022 Season 1 : October 1 – October 8 Season 2 : April 23 – May 20 and September 17 – September 30

Season 3: May 21 – September 16



Prices per person:

Double Occupancy B&B Season 1	€ 749.00
Double Occupancy B&B Season 2	€ 799.00
Double Occupancy B&B Season 3	€ 849.00
Supplement Single Occupancy	€ 269.00
Hybrid Bike Rental 7 gears or 21 gears	€ 89.00
Electric Bike Rental	€ 199.00
Extra Nights Strasbourg 3* Double Occupancy B&B	€ 79.00
Extra Nights Strasbourg 3* Single Occupancy B&B	€ 119.00
Extra Nights Luxembourg 3* Double Occupancy B&B	On Request
Extra Nights Luxembourg 3* Single Occupancy B&B	On Request

Accommodation:

3* hotels

Included:

- 7 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast
- Signposted tour
- Personal tour information except Sundays and public holidays
- Well prepared route guidance
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Transfer Saverne Mittersheim including your bike
- Detailed travel documents 1 per room (route or overview maps, route description, important telephone numbers)
- GPS data available
- Rental bike insurance
- Service hotline

Not Included:

- Dinner
- Lunch
- Visits
- Park fees
- Local taxes



<u>Bikes</u>

7 or 21 Gear Bikes



Unisex frame 21-gears with freewheel Sizes: 56 / 51 / 46 / 43 cm Unisex 7-gears-bikes with backpedal brake Sizes: 56 / 51 / 46 cm Men's speed bikes 21-gears with freewheel and cross bar Sizes: 64 / 60 / 56 "slopping" cm Accessories:

- Fine-tuned for our bikes and especially robust and reliable, only from well-known quality manufacturers:
- Saddle bag (water-repellent)
- Handlebar bag (water-repellent)
- Service-set incl. tools and spare tube
- Pump
- Number lock



These bikes are supported by an electric motor. The motor is attached to the bottom bracket. The energy supply for the electro engine is retained via a detachable battery, with a possible range of 120 to 180 kilometers. The electro bike is a Pedelec which is an electro bike which assists with electric support only when pedaling. Designed and based on KTM-bikes and modified accordingly for our purposes. The bikes are easy to handle as you have an improved weight distribution and a lower center of gravity. Total weight amounts to approx. 23 kg. An illuminated LCD display, a bike computer and a wattage display - all these features make these bikes very user friendly.

28 inch wheels and three different support modes provide and guarantee maximum cycling bliss. All accessories are identical to the list above

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