






# Via Claudia Augusta

## From DONAUWÖRTH to FÜSSEN – classic



It is thanks to the bustling Romans and their visionary thirst for conquest that the monumental north-south connection 'Via Claudia Augusta' from Veneto, with Venice as its Capital, to its northern Limes (military frontiers/fortifications) on the Danube near Mertingen, was built.

Your bike tour follows the footsteps of the Roman pioneers and today it is a delightful foray through the undulating landscape of the Upper Swabian plateau, through the Pfaffenwinkel region, dotted with original church towers, to the pre-alpine hill country near Füssen. Cultural witnesses such as the Roman Baths near Königsbrunn, the Villa Rustica near Schwangau or the Roman Museum in the Augsburg Armoury tell exciting stories from the old days and nourish the cultural feel of your bike tour.

### Highlights


-  Reichsstraße, Donauwörth
-  Roman Museum im Zeughaus (Armoury) Augsburg
-  Augsburg Cathedral with some of the oldest stained glass windows, of their type, in the world
-  Historic Augsburg water management (Unesco world cultural heritage)
-  King Ludwig's castles Neuschwanstein and Hohenschwangau, Füssen

### Route characteristics






-  Routes on mostly asphalted cycle paths and farm roads as well as little-travelled back roads and through town passages, individual sections on forest or gravel tracks
-  Suitable for families with children from the age of approx. 10 years - (corresponding biking enthusiasm required)

### Level of Difficulty

Touring Bike 

Pedelec/E-Bike 

### Arrival | Travel Time | Type of Trip

-  Every Friday from May 1<sup>st</sup> to September 25<sup>th</sup> 2024
-  6 Days | 5 Nights (incl. days of arrival and departure)
-  Stretch trip - approx. 185 cycling kilometres
-  Individual cycling trip
-  From 2 persons (single travellers on application)

## Itinerary

### Day 1: Independent arrival in Donauwörth

Your first cycling day is characterized by the Danube-Lech floodplain with its wide-ranging river arms, glacial valleys and biotic wetlands. The cycle path meanders sometimes along the mighty Lech River sometimes through eagerly cultivated pastureland where the young seedlings of the gugguruz indulge in the rising sun. Soon you reach the former Roman provincial city of Augusta Vindelicorum - Augsburg, whose economic importance sprouted in antiquity and gained influence with the lucrative relations of the rich Fugger trading family.

### Day 2: Donauwörth – Augsburg (approx. 50 km)

Your first day of cycling takes you through agriculturally cultivated pastures. Lush green ears sway in the gentle breeze and the young Maize seedlings indulge in the rising sun. The cycle path meanders through forest sections, sometimes along the mighty Lech River and you soon reach the former Roman provincial town of Augusta Vindelicorum - Augsburg, whose economic influence gained with the lucrative relationships of the wealthy Fugger family.

### Day 3: Augsburg – Landsberg am Lech (approx. 50 km)

Enriched by the experiences of the historic city of Augsburg, you cycle today on flat terrain, first through the Augsburg city forest and on through the natural paradise Lechtalheiden, which presents itself as a refuge for rare animals and plants. The light forest around the decorative Lech weir in Landsberg offers relaxing places to rest and relax as you see the colourful ensemble of houses, whose faces are gently reflected in the evening sun.

### Day 4: Landsberg am Lech – Region Schongau (approx. 45 km)

The Pfaffenwinkel region - the water-rich heart of Bavaria - accompanies you today on your way to the picturesque old town of Schongau. Numerous monasteries line this path and in the distance the imposing silhouette of the approaching Alps can already be seen. This former trading town also boasts an almost completely preserved city wall to complete the scene.

### Day 5: Region Schongau – Füssen/Schwangau (approx. 40 km)

Today the Lech River accompanies you directly to the Forggenseestausee, on the ground which the ancient route of the Via Claudia Augusta runs. Nestled in a natural paradise of well-known mountain chains and idyllic lakes, Füssen welcomes you, also known as the European cradle of lute makers. The high castle rises above the medieval city centre with its unique illusion painting in the magnificent inner courtyard. And it is not only in the fairytale castle of Neuschwanstein that King Ludwig's flair indulges in the Füssen air.

### Day 6: Individual Return Journey or Extension

## Included Services | Price per Person | Extras

### Included Services

- ✓ 5 Overnight stays including large breakfast buffet in hotels of the 3-star category \*
- ✓ Luggage transport from hotel to hotel
- ✓ Extensive travel papers | GPS-data available on demand
- ✓ Local tax in all places of accommodation
- ✓ Phone service daily from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm

### Price per Person

- Accommodation in a double room (arrival from May 1 <sup>st</sup> )	Euro	799,00
- Accommodation in a double room (arrival from May 15 <sup>th</sup> )	Euro	829,00
- Accommodation in a double room (arrival from July 15 <sup>th</sup> )	Euro	859,00
- Single room surcharge	Euro	209,00

### Extras

- Rental of 21-gear touring bicycle	Euro	100,00
- Rental of Pedelec/E-Bike	Euro	230,00
- Extra Night in Donauwörth in DR/B&B	Euro	85,00
- Extra Night in Donauwörth in SR/B&B	Euro	115,00
- Extra Night in Füssen in DR/B&B	Euro	99,00
- Extra Night in Füssen in SR/B&B	Euro	139,00
- Return transfer Füssen-Donauwörth (every Wednesday)	Euro	170,00**
- Vehicle transfer Donauwörth-Füssen		on request

\*\* Payable upon journey start; 25% Discount from 4 people booked at same time/shuttle

\* Restaurant-Empfehlungen zum Abendessen in allen Etappenorten finden Sie nach erfolgter Buchung in der Reiseinformation