

EUREGIO cycling trip









from INNSBRUCK to BOLZANO – relax

From the basin of the alpine metropolis of Innsbruck you cycle upriver, into one of the most fascinating regions in the heart of the Alps. The InnRadweg (Inn cycle path) gently meanders, embedded in the amazing Tyrolean Mountain landscape, to city of fountains, Imst and then further on to Landeck.




By relaxing Shuttle-transfer you overcome the climb up to Nauders on the Reschenpass. From Reschensee in South Tyrol you take the Adige Cycle Path, along the playful river, through the lush fruit growing landscapes of the sun-drenched Vinschgau valley to the spa town of Merano.

Stroll along Passer promenade through the Mediterranean flair and dive into the colourful flora of the gardens of castle Trauttmansdorf. The wine gardens nestle upon the hills around Lake Caldaro and the pulsating trading town of Bolzano offers a multitude of local delicacies which reflect the various stages of your cycling trip.

Highlights

-  Culture and nature of the alpine-urban Innsbruck
-  House of Fasnacht/Shrove Tuesday
-  Castle of Landeck
-  Sunken church tower of Altgraun (14th century), Reschenstausee water reservoir
-  Landscape and cultural diversity, Vinschgau
-  Gardens of castle Trauttmansdorf, Merano
-  Historical centres and alcoves of Merano and Bolzano
-  Walther square, fruit market, „Ötzi-museum“, Bolzano

Route characteristics

-  Mostly paved/asphalted bike paths, farm roads, quiet side roads and local thoroughfares
-  Transfer across the toughest ascent to Reschen pass (Landeck - Nauders)
-  From Reschenstausee water reservoir to Merano are some longer descents







Level of difficulty

Touring bicycle 

Pedelec/E-Bike 

Suitable for families with children from the age of approx. 12 years (appropriate cycling enthusiasm required)

Arrival | Travel time | Type of trip

-  Every Tuesday and Saturday from May 1st to September 25th 2024
-  8 days | 7 nights (incl. days of arrival and departure)
-  Experience day in Merano with an optional cycling tour from Merano to Val Passiria/St. Leonhard - Merano
-  Stretch trip - approx. 255 cycling kilometres
-  Individual cycling trip
-  From 2 persons (single travellers on application)

Itinerary

Day 1: Individual journey to Innsbruck

Welcome to 3-time Olympic City of Innsbruck. The city in the heart of the Alps is best known as a winter sport destination with special flair but you'll be surprised about the colourful ambience awaiting you in the warmer seasons. So please make sure to take your time to enjoy the cultural variety of Innsbruck.

Day 2: Innsbruck – Imst (approx. 60 km)

InnCycle Path measures some 500 kilometres from St. Moritz in Switzerland to Passau in Germany. Some of those kilometres you'll ride through the Inn Valley, surrounded by imposing mountain chains. The more or less flat bicycle path leads the way to the famous Cistercian monastery of Stams and then on to the Rafting and Canyoning centre of Haiming. A romantic and slightly hilly ride through a beautiful pine forest will bring you to Imst. Just before Imst, by Roppen you reach a Kneipp water-treading basin Römerbad, where you can cool off your legs on hot days.

Day 3: Imst – Holiday region Lago di Resia & Alta Venosta (approx. 55 km | without transfer approx. 105 km)

After a hearty breakfast you cycle from Imst to Landeck. From there we take the shuttle up to Nauders. Soon afterwards you cross the border to Italy at Reschen pass and with it the main Alpine ridge. You cycle downwards towards Malles past Reschenstausee reservoir with the sunken church tower of Altgraun, one of the most famous photo motifs of Italy. Enjoy the first evening on South Tyrolean soil and enjoy strolling through the old alleyways of the town.

Day 4: Holiday region Lago di Resia & Alta Venosta – Merano (approx. 65 km)

Today you cross the entire Val Venosta. The route leads from an altitude of more than 1,000m down to the town of Merano that is located at an altitude of 350m. Most of the route follows the course of River Adige. From your starting place this pleasant cycling stretch leads down to the smallest town of the Alps, the town of Glorenza. Past the marble town of Laas you get to Naturns and eventually – past the impressive Kastellbell castle – to the spa town of Merano. Enjoy an evening walk through town along the "Passer" promenade surrounded by subtropical flora.

Day 5: Experience Merano

It's time to relax – Merano has a lot of options to offer: it can be a nice walk in the "Rosegarten", a panorama walk through "Dorf Tirol" or maybe a visit at the spa resort of Merano. If you cannot let go of your bike on your "day off", then you can enjoy a cycling tour along Passeiertal cycle way. On it you cycle past the charming villages to St. Leonhard in Passeiertal to the birth house of Andreas Hofer, the Tyrolean freedom fighter of 1809.

Day 6: Merano – Castelfeder Holiday Region (approx. 50 km)

There is plenty to see along this route: Niederlana's famous Schnatterpeckaltar, the largest Gothic wing altar in the Alpine area, the highest church tower of the South Tyrol in Terlan and a great number of fortresses and ruins on both valley slopes. And - after the optional visit of Bolzano you'll have the wonderful opportunity to refresh your legs at Lake Caldaro.

Day 7: Castelfeder Holiday Region – Bolzano (approx. 30 km)

Yesterday you have already passed by Bolzano. Today you either ride on direct way along River Adige or over the more interesting track passing by the lakes Montiggler right towards the centre of Bolzano. Enjoy to stroll on the footsteps of Ötzi or to relax at Walther Square ...

Day 8: Individual Return Journey or Extension

Included Services | Price per Person | Extras

Included services

- ✓ 7 Overnight stays including large breakfast buffet in hotels of the 3-star category *
- ✓ Luggage transport from hotel to hotel
- ✓ Shuttle transfer from Landeck to Nauders
- ✓ 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 st)	Euro 1.135,00
- Accommodation in a double room (arrival from May 15 th)	Euro 1.199,00
- Accommodation in a double room (arrival from July 15 th)	Euro 1.239,00
- Single room surcharge	Euro 279,00

Extras

- Rental of 21-gear touring bicycle	Euro 95,00
- Rental of Pedelec/E-Bike	Euro 220,00
- Extra night in Innsbruck in DR/B&B	Euro 84,00
- Extra night in Innsbruck in SR/B&B	Euro 119,00
- Extra night in Bolzano in DR/B&B	Euro 99,00
- Extra night in Bolzano in SR/B&B	Euro 139,00
- Return transfer Bolzano-Innsbruck (every Tues, Thurs, Sat, Sun)	Euro 95,00
- Vehicle transfer Innsbruck-Bolzano	on request

* Restaurant recommendations for dinner in all stage towns can be found in the travel information after booking