

## Via Claudia Augusta

*From AUGSBURG via VERONA to PESCHIERA del GARDA – classic*

*Bookable as individual tour, min. 2 persons– 13 Days | 12 Nights, approx. 535 km*

### **In a nutshell | Distinctive Features**

- Mostly paved cycling paths and rural roads as well as less travelled back roads and village roads
- Shuttle transfer to conveniently manage two challenging mountain passes as of Reutte and Landeck
- Transfer back to Augsburg is only available from Verona  
(Transfer Peschiera – Verona can be arranged on request only)
- Also for teenagers from the age of approx. 12 years (high amount of cycling enthusiasm required)

### **Arrival**

Every Saturday from May 1<sup>st</sup> to September 15<sup>th</sup> 2021 – Special dates available on request

### **Day 1: Individual journey to Augsburg**

Visit of the Roman provincial capital „Augusta Vindelicorum“

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

The place name Augsburg derives from the Roman name of the town „Augusta Vindelicorum“, which was founded in 15 B.C. under the rule of Emperor Augustus. Augsburg’s popularity however, was established with its role as a Fugger town. Therefore, a visit of the Fuggerei, which is the world’s oldest project for social housing still in use today, is a must. Schongau features a picturesque old town and almost completely preserved town wall. The stage to Landsberg is thought to be a comfy „run in“ on almost flat terrain.

### **Day 3: Landsberg – Region Schongau** (approx. 45 km)

On the horizon you can already see the Alps but you get to enjoy the beauty of the region Pfaffenwinkel first. Schongau features a picturesque old town and almost completely preserved town walls.

### **Day 4: Region Schongau – Füssen/Schwangau** (approx. 40 km)

Having left the old town of Schongau the cycling path along River Lech takes you into the Tyrol. Before heading over the border from Germany to Austria the beautiful fairy tale-like Neuschwanstein castle awaits you.

### **Day 5: Füssen/Schwangau – Imst** (approx. 40 km | without transfer approx. 70 km)

Today the tour takes us from Füssen to Reutte. From there our transfer brings you across Fern Pass in a comfortable way. From Fernstein castle you cycle past Nassereith and through the picturesque Gurgital Valley to Imst.

A “beery” adventure awaits you at the microbrewery at Starkenberg castle.

### **Day 6: Imst – St. Valentin/Burgusio/Malles** (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 7: St.Valentin/Burgusio/Malles– 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 8: Merano – Castelfeder Holiday Region** (approx. 50 km)

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**Day 9: Castelfeder Holiday Region– Trento** (approx. 50 km)

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**Day 10: Trento –Belluno Veronese and environs** (approx. 55 km)

Along the River Adige you’ll pass small towns like Rovereto and Pilcante to Avio or Belluno Veronese. They say that this is where the best wine is made since the 15th century. Even though Veronese is less than 10 km away from Lake Garda there is a lot less touristic ado. Enjoy the rural ambience over a glass of local wine.

**Day 11: Belluno Veronese and environs – Verona** (approx. 50 km)

Before you’ll reach the city of Romeo & Juliet you’ll have to overcome one more little ascent up to Rivoli Veronese. Have a good time relaxing or strolling or discovering the arena of Verona ...

**Day 12: Verona – Peschiera del Garda** (approx. 35 km)

It might be hard to leave Verona already but the special holiday charme of the small town of Peschiera del Garda will make up for it. The roads are mostly quiet country roads and follows past Valeggio sul Mincio the beautiful bike path along River Mincio.

**Day 13: Individual Return Journey or Extension**

## Included Services | Price per Person | Extras

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- ✓ Accommodation in carefully selected 3-Star hotels
- ✓ 12 Overnight stays including large breakfast buffet
- ✓ Luggage transport from hotel to hotel
- ✓ Transfer across Fern Pass and Reschen Pass
- ✓ Extensive travel papers | GPS-data available on demand
- ✓ Phone service daily from 8:30 am to 6:30 pm

### Prices per Person

- Accommodation in double rooms	Euro	1.478,00
- Accommodation in double rooms (from May 15th)	Euro	1.524,00
- Accommodation in double rooms (from August 5th)	Euro	1.569,00
- Single room surcharge	Euro	346,00
- Half-board surcharge	Euro	342,00
- Any local taxes that may be due are not included and are payable locally		

### Extras

- Bike rental (incl. 14 litre saddle bag and tool kit)	Euro	120,00
- Electric Bike	Euro	220,00
- Extra night in Augsburg   Peschiera	Euro	72,00   79,00
- Single room surcharge in Augsburg   Peschiera	Euro	26,00   36,00
- Transfer Augsburg ab Verona (Wednesday, Friday, Sunday)	Euro	175,00
- Vehicle transfer Augsburg – Peschiera		on request