

# Sporty bike tour from Donaueschingen to Vienna

15 DAYS / 14 NIGHTS, APPROX. 915 KM **BOOKING CODE: DO-DW14-SP** 

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH **TOPOGRAPHY** 



#### Your tour

Athletic cyclists can follow the Danube across Germany and Austria on this tour. Discover the beauty of the Danube valley on one of the most popular cycling routes in Europe. This sporty cycling tour is suitable for all cyclists who like to tackle longer stages every day.

#### Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Donaueschingen	
Day 2	Donaueschingen – Fridingen, approx. 55 km	
Day 3	Fridingen – Obermarchtal, approx. 90 km	
Day 4	Obermarchtal – Ulm, approx. 65 km	
Day 5	Ulm – Donauwörth, approx. 90 km	
Day 6	Donauwörth – Ingolstadt, approx. 60 km	
Day 7	7 Ingolstadt – Regensburg, approx. 85 km + boat trip	
Day 8	Regensburg – Deggendorf, approx. 90 km	
Day 9	Deggendorf – Passau, approx. 55 km	
Day 10	LO Stay in Passau	
Day 11	Passau – Aschach / Brandstatt, approx. 80 km	
Day 12	Aschach – Ardagger / Grein, approx. 80 km	
Day 13	Ardagger – Krems, approx. 85 km	
Day 14	Krems – Vienna, approx. 80 km	
Day 15	Individual departure	

#### Travel time

Season A	31.03 19.04.		
Season B	20.04 30.04.	15.09 30.09.	
Season C	01.0506.05.	12.05 14.05.	20.05 25.05.
	02.06 29.06.	18.08 14.09.	
Season D	07.0511.05.	15.05 19.05.	26.05 01.06.
	30.06 17.08.		

#### Services

Fridingen

Neckar

→ 14 nights with breakfast, national 3\*-level, in Vienna national 4\*-level

Regensburg

eggendorf

Aschac

Krems

Wier

Grein

- → Ferry ride Au Schlögen incl. bike
- → Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Vienna, max. 20 kg / piece
- $\rightarrow$  Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)

Altmühl

Lech

Ingolstadt

Donauwörth

Obermarchtal

- → Boat trip Weltenburg Kelheim incl. bike
- → Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. 08.00 p.m.)
- → Wine tasting in the Wachau region

#### Not included services

→ Citys or visitors tax, if payable

#### Basic price per person

1449,-
1689,-
1889,—
1969,—
549,-

#### Additional night prices per person

Donaueschingen DBL / BB	55,-
Donaueschingen SGL / BB	85,-
Vienna DBL / BB	69,-
Vienna SGL / BB	119,-

#### Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec (freewheel)*	259,-
Rental bike (27-gear)*	
*including rental bike insurance	

# **Exemplary hotel list Standard**

Donaueschingen	Hirschen Donaueschingen	https://www.hotel-zum-hirschen.de/
	Hotel Waldblick	https://bsr-hotel.de/de/waldblick/
Fridingen	Hotel Jägerhaus Fridingen	https://www.jaegerhaus.de/
	Hotel Sonne Fridingen	http://www.sonne-fridingen.de/
Obermarchtal	Berghofstüble Obermarchtal	https://www.berghofstueble.de/
Ulm	Hotel Am Rathaus Ulm	https://www.rathausulm.de/
	Roter Löwe Ulm	https://www.hotel-roter-loewe.de/
Donauwörth	Donau Donauwörth	https://hoteldonau.de
	Parkhotel Donauwörth	https://www.parkhotel-donauwoerth.de/
Ingolstadt	Bauer Ingolstadt	https://www.hotel-bauer.net/
	Altstadthotel Ingolstadt	https://www.altstadthotel-ingolstadt.de/
	Arthotel Ingolstadt	https://www.arthotel-ingolstadt.de/
	Adler Ingolstadt	https://www.hotel-adler-ingolstadt.de/
Regensburg	Münchner Hof	https://muenchner-hof.de/
	Bischofshof	https://www.hotel-bischofshof.de/
	Sorat Inselhotel	https://www.sorat-hotels.com/de/hotel/regensburg html
Deggendorf	Höttl	https://www.hoettl.de/
	Donauhof	https://www.hotel-donauhof.de/
Passau	Residenz Passau	https://residenz-passau.de/
	Passauer Wolf Passau	https://www.hotel-passauer-wolf.de
	Atrium Passau	https://www.atrium-passau.de
	Spitzberg Passau	https://www.hotel-spitzberg.de
	Altstadt-Hotel Passau	https://altstadt-hotel.de
Passau	Residenz Passau	https://residenz-passau.de/
	Passauer Wolf Passau	https://www.hotel-passauer-wolf.de
	Atrium Passau	https://www.atrium-passau.de
	Spitzberg Passau	https://www.hotel-spitzberg.de
	Altstadt-Hotel Passau	https://altstadt-hotel.de
Aschach / Brandstatt	Dieplinger Brandstatt	http://www.langmayr.at/
Ardagger / Grein	Gasthof zur Donaubrücke, Grein	https://www.gasthof-froschauer.at/
Krems	Gasthof zum goldenen Engel Krems	https://www.hotelehrenreich.at/willkommen.html
Wien	Simm`s Hotel, Wien	https://www.simmshotel.at/

# Child reduction on basic price

Due to the challenging stages, we do not recommend this trip for children.

# Additional night prices per person

Deggendorf DBL / BB Deggendorf SGL / BB Donauwörth DBL / BB Donauwörth SGL / BB Ehingen / Obermarchtal DBL / BB Ehingen / Obermarchtal SGL / BB Ingolstadt DBL / BB Ingolstadt SGL / BB Mühlheim / Fridingen DBL / BB Mühlheim / Fridingen SGL / BB Passau DBL / BB Passau SGL / BB Regensburg DBL / BB Regensburg SGL / BB Ulm DBL / BB Ulm SGL / BB

#### Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, French

# Additional note

 $\rightarrow$  All bookings are on request.

→ Return to Donaueschingen: On your own by train, connections

65,-

95,-

65,-

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85,-

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69,-

99,-

65,-

95,-

65,-

95,-

several times a day, 2 changes, duration approx. 8 hours, no reservation possible through Radweg-Reisen.

→ Twin / double rooms / separate beds are only occasionally available. We treat requests as non-binding customer requests, if above mentioned room types are a booking condition, it must be mentioned as a condition at the time of booking.

# Equipment of our rental bikes

- → Comfortable saddle
- → Bike lock
- → Luggage rack
- → Odometer
- → Air pump
- → Hub dynamo
- → Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- → Unflat Schwalbe Marathon Plus tyres or comparable
- → Waterproof pannier
- → Waterproof handlebar bag with map holder
- → Further information and photos of the rental bikes are available: www.cycling-holiday.com/rental-bikes

# Journey to Donaueschingen

- → Closest airports: Zurich, Stuttgart, Frankfurt, Basel, Karlsruhe (Ryanair)
- → Train station: Donaueschingen, good connections nach Offenburg / Karlsruhe, Freiburg, Ulm und Konstanz

# Parking in Donaueschingen

- → Free parking at "Stadtmühle", "Realschule" and "Fürstenberg-Gymnasium".
- → Hotel parking spaces (available in individual hotels, chargeable, details in the travel documents).

# Bike handover

→ Arrival: Guests' rental bikes will be available at the arrival hotel. Departure: The guests leave the bikes at the last hotel. If an e-bike has been rented, the battery, charger and key must be returned to the reception.

# Luggage transport

→ Luggage pick-up from 09.00 a.m., delivery to the next hotel by 06.00 p.m. at the latest, labeling of luggage is 1 x for the whole tour. No restriction on the number of pieces of luggage, but max. 20 kg per piece of luggage.

# **Stages description**

# Day 1: Individual arrival in Donaueschingen

In Donaueschingen, the Brigach and Breg rivers merge to form the Danube. However the Romans once thought that the spring in the castle gardens was the source of the Danube. You can still visit the source of the Danube in Donaueschingen today, right in the park of a very impressive castle, where the Fürstenberg family once lived.

# Day 2: Donaueschingen – Fridingen, approx. 55 km

The first section is a quick cycle to Immendingen. This is where the Danube sinks into the chalky stone for some 155 days of the year to flow through an underground cave system south to the Aachtopf, Germany's biggest spring. In Tuttlingen, the valley narrows and it's now not far to today's destination.

# Day 3: Fridingen – Obermarchtal, approx. 90 km

The chalkstone rocks rise some 100 metres above the cycle path which snakes its way through the rocks here, following the river. In Sigmaringen there's Hohenzollern Castle to explore. It's still lived in today by a noble family! In today's destination, Obermarchtal, a Baroque treasure waits to be discovered – the former monastery can be visited.

# Day 4: Obermarchtal – Ulm, approx. 65 km

Today you cycle along the original course of the Danube, through the valley to Blaubeuren with its famous Blautopf – an intense Karst spring and the start of a huge system of caves. Your destination is Ulm with the highest church tower in the world! It obviously provides great views.

# Day 5: Ulm – Donauwörth, approx. 90 km

Today's section features a succession of little towns, one prettier than the next. You pedal away from the river to raised ground, safe from flooding. Dillingen can be seen from afar - thanks to its stately castle. You cycle through the Danube meadows to Donauwörth, where the former important trading route between Nuremberg and Augsburg crosses the Danube.

# Day 6: Donauwörth – Ingolstadt, approx. 60 km

You cycle along well-established paths through the foothills of the Franconian Alb to Neuburg, where we can recommend taking a stroll through the charming old town or a visit to the castle, towering magnificently over the town. Today's destination is Ingolstadt with its old fortifications. It is also where the Bavarian Purity Law for beer was passed over 500 years ago.

# Day 7: Ingolstadt – Regensburg, approx. 85 km + boat trip

Mother Nature has a special treat in store: the Danube Gap at Weltenburg Monastery, where the Danube curves its way through massive Jura rocks. Fortify yourself in the monastery beer garden before catching your boat, which takes you through the Gap to Kelheim. Today's destination, Regensburg, is considered Germany's best-preserved city.

# Day 8: Regensburg – Deggendorf, approx. 90 km

The Danube curves its way gracefully through the wide expanse of the countryside and you cycle alongside. In Straubing, the capital of the "Gäuboden" region, take a break before tackling the last few kilometres of the day. You finally arrive at the gate to the Bavarian Forest: Deggendorf, Gothic and Baroque characterize the old town

# Day 9: Deggendorf – Passau, approx. 55 km

Today's route includes the small historic town of Vilshofen, which you might have heard of in connection with the CSU Chairman, politician Strauss' Ash Wednesday speech. You will soon reach your destination of the three-rivers-town and former diocesan town of Passau. Let your tour come to a pleasant end with a walk through the old town.

# Day 10: Stay in Passau

Once in Passau, you will have deserved a day out of the saddle. The historic baroque town, created by Italian masters of the 17th century will charm you with its southern flair. Explore the three rivers – the Danube, Inn and Ilz by boat and visit St. Stephen's Cathedral at the highest point of the old town. Oberhaus Fort and the pilgrimage church Mariahilf are also worth a visit.

# Day 11: Passau – Aschach / Brandstatt, approx. 80 km

Along the northern bank of the Danube, the route takes you to Schlögener Loop, where the river makes a sudden 180° degree turn around huge granite rocks. Those of you who are thirsting for action can go on a little detour to the ruined castle of Haichenbach. The view more than makes up for the strenuous climb. Afterwards you continue along the route to the small but pretty town of Aschach.

# Day 12: Aschach – Ardagger / Grein, approx. 80 km

Cycle along the Danube through the bird paradise of the Eferding Basin to Linz, the capital of Upper Austria and European Capital of Culture 2009. Through Enns you reach the romantic Strudengau and Nibelungengau. Treat yourself to a break in the Celtic village of Mitterkirchen before continuing on to Grein. The oldest municipal theatre in Austria and the magnificent Greinburg Castle await you here.

#### Day 13: Ardagger – Krems, approx. 85 km

In the morning, you cycle towards the impressive Danube power station in Persenbeug. The route then takes a more romantic turn from the pilgrimage church in Maria Taferl to Melk with its world-famous abbey. The gateway to the Wachau offers you an enchanting ambience in the midst of orchards and vineyards. Via Spitz and Dürnstein you reach the wine town of Krems, where you can savour a glass of regional wine.

#### Day 14: Krems – Vienna, approx. 80 km

You leave the Wachau wine region again and cycle to the Roman town of Tulln. A completely different landscape awaits you: instead of the heights of the Wachau, the expansive Tulln field opens up before you. The route continues via Greifenstein and Klosterneuburg to the Danube metropolis of Vienna. Whether Schönbrunn Palace or St Stephen's Cathedral - Vienna has something to offer for every taste.

# Day 15: Individual departure

After breakfast you start your individual return journey home or extend your stay.