Cycling holidays in the Algarve

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, APPROX. 260 KM BOOKING CODE: ES-POSS7 DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ••••

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Your tour

Discover the Algarve by bike! Your journey begins in the historic town of Silves and takes you through the green hinterland, past fragrant orange groves and cork oak forests. The route winds its way through the Serra de Monchique to the wild Atlantic coast. Enjoy the tranquillity of the small villages, the breathtaking nature of the Costa Vicentina nature reserve and the spectacular views from Cape São Vicente. A perfect combination of activity, nature and Portuguese joie de vivre!

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Silves
Day 2	Silves – Caldas de Monchique, approx. 30 km
Day 3	Caldas de Monchique – Santa Clara-a-Velha, approx. 40 / 50 km
Day 4	Santa Clara-a-Velha – Odemira, approx. 35 km
Day 5	Odemira – Aljezur, approx. 75 km
Day 6	Aljezur – Aldeia da Pedralva, approx. 40 km
Day 7	Aldeia da Pedralva – Sagres, approx. 40 km
Day 8	Individual departure

Travel time

Season A	14.01. – 31.03.	01.11. – 13.12.	
Season B	01.04. – 31.05.	01.10 31.10.	
Season C	01.06. – 30.06.	01.09. – 30.09.	
Season D	01 07 - 31 08		

Daily arrival 14.01. – 13.12.2026 The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- → 7 nights with breakfast, national 3* / 4*-level
- → Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Sagres, max. 20 kg / piece
- → Half board (7 x breakfast and dinner)
- → City tax
- → Helmets for rent
- → Rental bike, surcharge for ebike
- → Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- → Route navigation via app
- → Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. 08.00 p.m.)

Basic price per person

Doubleroom, Season A	1389,-
Doubleroom, Season B	1749,-
Doubleroom, Season C	1879,-
Doubleroom, Season D	2049,-
Surcharge single room, season A	559,-
Surcharge single room, season B	679,-
Surcharge single room, season C	769,-
Surcharge single room, season D	

Additional services per person

Surcharge E-bike / Pedelec	125,-
Rental bike (27-gear)	inkl.

Child reduction on basic price

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

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English

Additional note

- → All bookings are on request.
- → Transfer from Faro airport to Silves or transfer from Sagres to Faro airport possible on request.
- → 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

- → Bike lock (1 x per room)
- → Odometer
- → Handlebar bag
- → Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- → Waterproof pannier

Journey to Silves

- → Nearest airports: Faro, Lisbon
- → Train station: Silves

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival in Silves

Optional transfer from Faro airport, or from another location of your choice, to your hotel in Silves, where you will start your cycling holiday. Silves is a region in the Algarve that has one of the most important cultural and historical heritage. Its beautiful castle, its Cathedral, its pillory and its Misericórdia Church are some of the examples to explore in the city.

Day 2: Silves – Caldas de Monchique, approx. 30 km

Start your day exploring Silves, a historic Portuguese city that was centuries ago the capital of the Algarve. The starting point is next to cross of Portugal, at the urban end of the city. Cycling through the valley towards the mountains, the mountainous relief is of great prominence and always present, in this phase with a predominance of rockrose vegetation. Before making any of the challenging climbs of the stage, take the chance to visit the Quinta Pedagógica of Silves to hydrate yourself and visit this farm, which aims to preserve the typical animal and vegetable species of the Algarve mountains. Following the path along secondary roads and quiet paths, observe the magnificent views over the mountains and feel the aromas of pine, eucalyptus and orange trees that are almost always present. The arrival at the beautiful village and spa Caldas de Monchique, where its properties have been used since the Roman period due to the healing virtues of its waters, is a great highlight.

Day 3: Caldas de Monchique – Santa Clara-a-Velha, approx. 40 / 50 km

The route of the stage is characterised by a road with little traffic that offers sensational views of the valleys and mountains. In Monchique, we recommend visiting the São Sebastião church, the mother church, and the local shops, where you can taste the region's famous liquor, Medronho. This stage is characterised by the transition from the Algarve region to the Alentejo region, where the climbs gradually become gentler and the mountains slowly give way to flatlands and wider landscapes. You will reach Santa Clara-a-Velha along a road with little traffic, surrounded by scenery dominated by cork oaks, holm oaks and eucalyptus trees. Just before the village, it is worth visiting the impressive Santa Clara Dam, which offers fantastic scenery, and the ruins of the D. Maria bridge, built in 1822, which crosses the Mira River.

Day 4: Santa Clara-a-Velha – Odemira, approx. 35 km

In Santa Clara-a-Velha you have the opportunity to discover the Church of Santa Clara de Assis, which originally belonged to the Order of Santiago da Espada. Cycling through the flat lands with some gentle climbs you will find the typical Alentejo houses, the whitewashed houses and embroidered with ocher and blue colors. You will also find the typical village cafe, where you can enjoy traditional snacks and a good conversation with the local population. Tranquil paths with fascinating views over the gentle hills and also over the River Mira will guide you directly to the center of Odemira.

Day 5: Odemira - Aljezur, approx. 75 km

After taking some time to explore Odemira, a village full of typical Alentejo houses, start your day with a cycle tour along the River Mira. On this stage, you will cycle through numerous fields where raspberries, sweet potatoes and other plants are grown. As you cycle along the coast, you have the opportunity to take a refreshing dip at Zambujeira do Mar beach, Carvalhal beach or Odeceixe beach. If you are cycling through the Southwest Alentejo and Vicentine Coast Natural Park, a visit to Azenha do Mar, where you have a fantastic view over the coast, is a must. Enjoy the marvellous view offered by the river until it flows into the ocean. The stage continues on secondary roads to Aljezur, mostly along pine forests and fields.

Day 6: Aljezur – Aldeia da Pedralva, approx. 40 km

The route leads mainly along quiet paths with eucalyptus and pine trees through the south-west Alentejo and the Vicentine Coast Natural Park with fantastic views over the valleys that run along the hills. Cycling along the coast, you can take a refreshing dip at Bordeira beach or Amado beach. Cycling more than 5 km alongside the cliffs with fantastic views from different angles over the coast will certainly mark your day and your holiday. Cycling comfortably through the valleys, you will reach Aldeia da Pedralva, where you will spend the night - an active tourist village rebuilt from ruins.

Day 7: Aldeia da Pedralva – Sagres, approx. 40 km

Start the day with the cycle path on paths with little traffic through the southwest of Alentejo and the Vicentine Coast Natural Park. On quiet paths through the natural park, the stage offers extraordinary views of

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the coast and cliffs. At Cape St. Vincent, where a visit to the lighthouse is a must, let yourself be captivated by the magnificent view of the most southwestern point of Portugal and continental Europe. The road to Sagres is characterised by a beautiful setting full of cliffs that rise almost vertically from the Atlantic Ocean to a height of 75 metres. When you reach Sagres, visit the fortress by bike, the port of Baleeira,

where you will witness the fishing activity of the village, and toast on the beach of Mareta while tasting the most popular seafood in the region – the percebe (goose barnacle).

Day 8: Individual departure

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

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