



INSIDER TIP

The Castle Route

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, APPROX. 260 KM
BOOKING CODE: NE-HR7

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ●●●●●
TOPOGRAPHY ●●●●●



Your tour

Along the Neckar, Kocher and Jagst, you cycle to the Burgenstraßen cycle path, sometimes flat, but it often goes uphill and downhill. Over you, numerous proud fortresses and ancient castles supervise you, like the castle ruin Heidelberg, the Imperial Palace in Bad Wimpfen and the castle of Götz von Berlichingens in Jagsthausen. The night guard in Rothenburg ob der Tauber sets the right final chord – with its numerous anecdotes it makes past times alive.

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Heidelberg
Day 2	Heidelberg – Eberbach, approx. 35 km
Day 3	Eberbach – Bad Wimpfen / Bad Friedrichshall, approx. 45 / 50 km
Day 4	Bad Friedrichshall – Jagsthausen / Sindringen, approx. 40 / 50 km
Day 5	Sindringen – Öhringen – Schwäbisch Hall, approx. 40 / 50 km
Day 6	Schwäbisch Hall – Kirchberg, approx. 40 km
Day 7	Kirchberg – Rothenburg ob der Tauber, approx. 35 km
Day 8	Individual departure

Travel time

Season A	25.04. – 03.05.	19.09. – 27.09.	
Season B	16.05. – 17.05.	05.09. – 13.09.	
Season C	09.05.	10.05.	30.05. – 28.06.
	15.08. – 30.08.		
Season D	23.05. – 24.05.	04.07. – 09.08.	

Arrival Saturday and Sunday 25.04. – 27.09.2026
The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- 7 nights with breakfast, national 3*-level
- Entrance Castle Heidelberg
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Rothenburg, max. 20 kg / piece
- Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. – 08.00 p.m.)
- Guided tour Rothenburg with the night watchman

Not included services

- Citys or visitors tax, if payable

Basic price per person

Doubleroom, Season A	899,-
Doubleroom, Season B	999,-
Doubleroom, Season C	1199,-
Doubleroom, Season D	1299,-
Additional fee single room	299,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec*	289,-
Rental bike (27-gear)*	99,-
Sporty rental bike (30-gear)*	179,-

*including rental bike insurance

Additional night prices per person

Heidelberg DBL / BB	89,-
Heidelberg SGL / BB	129,-
Rothenburg DBL / BB	79,-
Rothenburg SGL / BB	119,-

Exemplary hotel list

Heidelberg	Kulturbrauerei Heidelberg	https://heidelberger-kulturbrauerei.de
Eberbach	Karpfen Eberbach	https://hotel-karpfen.com
Bad Wimpfen / Bad Friedrichshall	Schloss Lehen Bad Friedrichshall	https://www.welcome-hotels.com/hotels/bad-friedrichshall-schloss-lehen
Jagsthausen / Sindringen	Schlosshotel Götzenburg Jagsthausen	https://goetzenburg.de/hotel/
Schwäbisch Hall	Goldener Adler Schwäbisch Hall	https://hotelgoldeneradler.de
Kirchberg	Landhotel Kirchberg	https://www.landhotel-kirchberg.de
Rothenburg	Markusturm Rothenburg	https://www.markusturm.de

Child reduction on basic price

15 - 17 Years	10%
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Due to the more demanding stages, we recommend this trip only for young people with good stamina.

Children's discount applies for accommodation in a room with two full-paying guests, no discount from the age of 18. A multi-bed room is usually a double room with an extra bed or folding sofa. No four-bed rooms possible.

Additional night prices per person

Bad Friedrichshall / Bad Wimpfen DBL / BB	65,-
Bad Friedrichshall / Bad Wimpfen SGL / BB	99,-
Eberbach / Mosbach DBL / BB	85,-
Eberbach / Mosbach SGL / BB	115,-
Kirchberg DBL / BB	85,-
Kirchberg SGL / BB	115,-
Schwäbisch Hall DBL / BB	79,-
Schwäbisch Hall SGL / BB	115,-

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, Dutch, French

Additional note

- All bookings are on request.
- Return journey to Heidelberg: On your own by train, connections several times every day, duration approx. 4 hours, 3 train changes. We recommend bike hire.
- 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 Heidelberg

- Closest airports: Frankfurt am Main, Stuttgart
- Train station: Heidelberg

Parking in Heidelberg

- Public car parks: P1 Poststraße, costs approx. 15 EUR / day & P4 Darmstädter Hof, costs approx. 16 EUR / day.
- 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.

Travel documents

- 1 set (per booked room) consists of: hotel list and voucher, travel information with details on daily stages, short travel guides and route descriptions, maps, luggage tags
- Dispatched up to four weeks before arrival. For short-term bookings, delivery to the start hotel, hotel list and arrival information will be sent by email

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival in Heidelberg

Heidelberg is considered one of Germany's most beautiful towns. The harmonious flair of Neckar, historic quarter and castle in the midst of vineyards has fascinated artists and poets of the Romantic and will surely enchant you, too. Heidelberg Castle and its beautiful gardens are worth a visit.

Day 2: Heidelberg – Eberbach, approx. 35 km

Your way leads you through Neckar Valley to Eberbach, which is located at the foot of an extinct volcano. Above the town on a hill are Eberbach castle ruins. The size of the complex can only be guessed at by the imposing remaining walls. See the four still intact towers in the historic quarter, which served as the medieval town fortifications.

Day 3: Eberbach – Bad Wimpfen / Bad Friedrichshall, approx. 45 / 50 km

This route takes you along the Neckar to the historic old town of Bad Wimpfen. You will recognize the town's skyline from afar. A short distance now separates you from today's alternative destination, the salt town of Bad Friedrichshall. The Kocher and Jagst rivers meet here and join the Neckar and will bewitch you in this lovely unsoiled riverland.

Day 4: Bad Friedrichshall – Jagsthausen / Sindringen, approx. 40 / 50 km

After breakfast, you cycle along the Kocher-Jagst cycle path, first along the Jagst to Jagsthausen, home of the Knight, Götz von Berlichingen. He spend a few years of his childhood at Castle Jagsthausen, which was also named Götzenburg. Explore the town and visit the Red and White Castle or the old town hall in the town centre.

Day 5: Sindringen – Öhringen – Schwäbisch Hall, approx. 40 / 50 km

You leave the home of Knight Götz von Berlichingen and cycle along the German Limes cycle path to Öhringen. The town on the Limes will enchant you with its special atmosphere and history. The former Hohenlohe castle is on the medieval marketplace, the heart of the town. The Castle Route cycle path takes you to today's destination, Schwäbisch Hall.

Day 6: Schwäbisch Hall – Kirchberg, approx. 40 km

Your bike takes you through the Jagst Valley to Kirchberg. The river has cut a deep path into the shell limestone of the Hohenlohe Levels and formed an impressive valley. The striking town backdrop with its town tower, castle and church rises over the lovely Jagst valley. On a pleasant wander through the town you have the chance to see Kirchberg Castle.

Day 7: Kirchberg – Rothenburg ob der Tauber, approx. 35 km

In the morning you cycle to Rothenburg ob der Tauber. The historic old town features pretty timber-framed houses, narrow towers, winding streets and impressive fortifications. In the evening join the night watchman on a tour through winding streets and brightly lit squares.

Day 8: Individual departure

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