

Cycling Safaris

Danube Hits for Kids - 7/Overnight



The Danube is an adventure playground for all ages. The cycle tour is an exciting expedition and adventurous activity holiday for kids – adults enjoy recreation and relaxation in this dreamy landscape with numerous sights to the full. This programme is customized to our young cyclists and guarantees a lot of variety: the visit of Dinopark, a donkey adventure and a boat ride on the Danube are only some of the numerous Highlights....

Characteristic: the bike trail is particularly suitable for Families, free of traffic, fully developed, completely flat without grades. Stretches can be shortened by boat or train.

Highlights: Journey on the Dragon train in Linz, celtic open-air museum in Mitterkirchen, donkey adventure, dinopark, Amusement park Prater in Vienna.

TOUR ITINERARY

1. Day: Individual Arrival to Linz

Warm welcome for young and young-at-heart. Handover of travel documents. Rest of the day at your disposal.

Tip: Let yourself be spirited away into a different world. You and your children can experience a journey on the Dragon Train through the Land of Dwarves or against the backdrop of historic Linz.

2. Day: Linz - Mitterkirchen (approx. 43 km)

Bike tour to the Celtic open-air museum. In this village of the iron age shows you the life of the past. Today's overnight stay will be in a cosy farmhouse in the region of the Machland. For supper your host will pamper you with homemade specialities and bread.

3. Day: Mitterkirchen - Persenbeug/surr. (approx. 43 km)

Castles and ruins - embedded in a densely, wooded landscape - along your way through the Strudengau. In the shipping museum in Grein you will find imposing models of former naval architecture. In Ardagger you will find a paradise of recreation including water sports with beach volleyball courts and possibilities of fun and action. Maybe you want to rent a motorboat or take a ride on the banana boat.

4. Day: Persenbeug/Umgeb. - Wachau (approx. 49 km)

Shortly after Pöchlarn you will enter to the world famous valley of Wachau, one of the most beautiful riverside landscapes of Europe. The gorgeous Benedictine monastery of Melk overtops the city and can be seen already far from a distance. Cycling through the vineyards you will reach Spitz, built around the so-called "Thousandbucket- hill".

5. Day: Aufenthalt Wachau (approx. 25 km)

Again an exciting day expects you: Ship ahoy! During the boatride to Melk you enjoy the picturesque sceneries. After a short ride by bike you will reach the donkey farm. A lot of fun will be had during the ride in a donkey-drawn carriage or a walking-tour with the donkeys. Bike tour back to the hotel (approx. 20 km).

6. Day: Wachau - Traismauer (approx. 35 km)

Bike tour through a landscape with steep rocks, sun kissed wine terraces and blossoming orchards, picturesque villages, mighty monasteries, churches and castles. Wide open view points. In Traismauer you will visit the park of dinosaurs with 40 lifesized figures, a dino workshop, a dinolaboratory - there is a lot to discover!

7. Day: Trainride Traismauer - Tulln, Biketour Tulln - Vienna (approx. 35 km)

By train you reach Tulln. The trail follows the river banks with its sandy beaches. Reaching Vienna you will have a fantastic view to the Skyline - cycling far away from traffic. Vienna is a city that loves its music and food. Kids will have a great time enjoying traditional sweets and hot chocolate, at every turn you'll hear waltzes and impromptu violin concerts on street corners. When the kids need a change of pace, head to the eastern section of Vienna, to ride the Riesenrad ferris wheel and run around the famous Amusement park Prater.

8. Day: Vienna - Departure

The train brings you back to Linz (tickets incl., excl. private bikes).

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation: Cosy, family-owned typical inns or pensions in 3*** - Category. 1 farmhouse included.

WHAT THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- 7 nights accommodation including breakfast
- 6 dinners
- Daily luggage transport (1 suitcase per Person/ max. 20 kg)
- Children's "surprise"
- Entrance fees open-air museum, dinosaurs park
- Donkey adventure
- Boat ride Spitz-Melk incl. bicycles
- Ferry Spitz-Arnsdorf
- Train ride Traismauer – Tulln incl. bicycles
- Train ride Vienna – Linz (Transfer own bikes not incl.)
- travel documents per room
- 1 handlebar-bag per room
- Service – Hotline (also on weekends)

DATES AND PRICES 2010

Departure Dates:

May 22

July 10, 17, 31

August 7

€670.00 per person sharing

€810.00 for single occupancy

Reduction Extra Beds

0-6 years old = FREE!!

7-11 years old = 50% DISCOUNT

12-14 years old = 25% DISCOUNT

15+ years old = 10% DISCOUNT

Based on tour price per person in double rooms with 2 full paying adults

WHAT TO BRING

Specialized cycle clothing may be handy but not strictly necessary. What you do need (among other things) is the following:

- shorts/ long trousers/ track suit/ legging
- shirts/ sweater/ rain clothing
- gloves (only when you book a tour in April. It can be chilly in the morning that time of year!)
- good shoes
- sunglasses/ cap/ swimming costume
- extra towel
- soap/ insect repellent

BACK UP SERVICE

As this is a self led trip you do not have the back-up of a guide and support van. Our aim is to allow you feel like an independent traveller, free to cycle each day at your own pace while at the same time having the security of knowing that your luggage will be waiting for you in your next accommodation.

If you experience small problems with the bike (e.g., a puncture) you will have a spare tube, pump and tyre lever. You also have access to a 24 hour helpline (Spanish, English and French speaking).