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Magnificent buildings, sensual pleasures and 60,000 trees

60,000 trees were planted formerly at the Canal du Midi in France to secure the banks. And until today trees in many places line the canal, which runs from Toulouse down to the Mediterranean Sea. They shade the towpaths and little streets too, which lead you to countless cultural monuments: to cathedrals and palaces, to Roman and medieval buildings. The wealth of culture is at the Canal du Midi faced with culinary treasures. In the region grows good wine and it gave birth to an excellent cuisine. Pleasure has a long tradition here.

France



Easy to Moderate



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided Tour

To the online version



Itinerary

Day 1 Individual arrival to Toulouse

In the evening welcome briefing and distribution of rental bike (if booked) in Toulouse. Because of its buildings with reddish stones the inhabitants call Toulouse „ville rose“ too, the pink town. Take a little walk to see the important sacred buildings of Toulouse. One of it is the basilica St-Sernin de Toulouse, which is one of the most beautiful Romanesque sacred buildings in South France. Toulouse is an attractive mixture of architectural styles with lordly Renaissance houses and former industrial buildings, which were masterful rebuilt into culture temples. One overnight in Toulouse.

Day 2 Toulouse – Castelnaudary

Castelnaudary ist the destination of your tour today. In former times it was the place of a lot of mills. Till today the Moulin de Cagurel from the 17th century on the pestilence hill testifies it. Splendid manors, built in the 17th century too, and beautiful half-timbered houses let this town become an architectural jewel. A popular culinary delicacy in Castelnaudary is the savoury bean stew Cassoulet, which came up during the Hundred Years' War. Pork or duck, bacon, garlic sausage and white beans are possible ingredients. . One overnight in Castelnaudary. (approx. 60 km)

Day 3 Castelnaudary – Carcassonne

Carcassonne is today one of the best preserved fortress towns in Europe and since 1997 part of the UNESCO World Heritage. The mightiest building of the town and one of the biggest fortresses in Europe is the fortress Cité Médiévale of Carcassonne with its 52 towers. You can experience the lively Carcassonne best in the downtown with its lively streets and the bastion Saint Louis. One overnight in Carcarsonne. (approx. 40 km)

Day 4 Carcassonne – Olonzac

Villages, wine-growing estates and vineyards are located pictorially around the waterways. You reach Olonzac. You will have the chance to taste some good wines. (approx. 45 km)

Day 5 **Olonzac – Narbonne**

Narbonne, which is flanked by vineyards. The former capital of the Romanesque antiquity was the first Roman colony outside of Italy. Sights like the relics of the street “Via Domitia” or the houses-bridge with Roman origin “Pont des Marchands” are evidences of this time. But later centuries too have left their marks in the town: for example the archbishop’s palace or the Gothic cathedral. One overnight in Narbonne. (approx. 45 km)

Day 6 **Narbonne – Béziers**

Béziers can look back to a 2,700 years old history. And it is the birthplace of that man too, who was the father of the Canal du Midi: Pierre-Paul Riquet. The alley Paul-Riquet in the centre of the town is dedicated to him. Béziers is located scenic in a winegrowing region, where the grapes for an excellent wine grow. Maybe you allow yourself a glass? One overnight in Béziers. (approx. 45 km)

Day 7 **Béziers – Sète**

Your cycling alongside the Canal du Midi leads you past masterpieces of engineering like the lock of Agde. It is the only round lock of the Canal du Midi and was built with volcanic rock. The basic measurements of the lock are 29.90 metres diameter and 5.20 metres depth. Cap d’Agde at the Mediterranean Sea is your destination today. The biggest European marina is part of the French town Agde and a paradise for water sportsmen like divers, surfers or sailors. But people, who just want to bath and to rest at the beach, get their money’s worth too. In Sète flows the Canal du Midi into the Mediterranean Sea. The town is surrounded by water and its surname is “Venice des Languedoc”. The reasons for this surname are beneath the Canal du Midi countless additional waterways, which cross the town. One overnight in Sète. (approx. 65 km)

Day 8 **Return journey**

The tour ends after breakfast. Individual return journey.

The route

Moderate heavy! All routes are predominant planar or are located in an area, which is a little bit rippled. You will cycle on partly asphalted or sand- and pebble ways as well as on light traffic branch roads.

> [Explore the area on Google Maps](#)



Prices and events

Place of arrival: Toulouse

	Season 1 27.03.2021 - 09.04.2021 26.09.2021 - 02.10.2021 Saturday	Season 2 10.04.2021 - 25.06.2021 29.08.2021 - 25.09.2021 Saturday	Season 3 26.06.2021 - 28.08.2021 Saturday
Canal du Midi 8/7 Days 8 Cat: Deluxe, FR-CMRST-08D			
Base price	999.00	1,059.00	1,089.00
Surcharge sgl room	280.00	280.00	280.00
Surcharge half board	260.00	260.00	260.00
Canal du Midi 8/7 Days 8 Cat: X, FR-CMRST-08X			
Base price	855.00	939.00	969.00
Surcharge sgl room	210.00	210.00	210.00
Surcharge half board	190.00	190.00	190.00

Additional nights

Place of arrival: Toulouse

	Season 1 Mar 27, 2021 - Apr 9, 2021 Sep 26, 2021 - Oct 2, 2021 Saturday	Season 2 Apr 10, 2021 - Jun 25, 2021 Aug 29, 2021 - Sep 25, 2021 Saturday	Season 3 Jun 26, 2021 - Aug 28, 2021 Saturday
Toulouse Category Charm			
Extra night dr/bb	80.00	80.00	80.00
Extra night sgl/bb	120.00	120.00	120.00
Sète Category Charm			
Extra night dr/bb	107.00	107.00	107.00

	Season 1 Mar 27, 2021 - Apr 9, 2021 Sep 26, 2021 - Oct 2, 2021 Saturday	Season 2 Apr 10, 2021 - Jun 25, 2021 Aug 29, 2021 - Sep 25, 2021 Saturday	Season 3 Jun 26, 2021 - Aug 28, 2021 Saturday
Extra night sgl/bb	194.00	194.00	194.00
Toulouse Category A			
Extra night dr/bb	72.00	72.00	72.00
Extra night sgl/bb	109.00	109.00	109.00
Sète Category A			
Extra night dr/bb	72.00	72.00	72.00
Extra night sgl/bb	109.00	109.00	109.00

Our bookable bikes

	Filter
7-gear unisex	79.00
7-gear gents	79.00
21-gear unisex	79.00
21-gear gents	79.00
30-gear+	129.00
Electric bike	189.00

Our bookable services

Filter

Transfer

7500

Prices per person in EUR

Services & Extras

Services

Included:

- 7 overnights in hotels as mentioned
- Breakfast buffet or extended breakfast
- Half-board if booked: at least three-course-dinner or buffet (sometimes outside with voucher and not in the hotel)
- Personal welcome tour briefing (German, English)
- Detailed travel documents, route cards, route description, sight-seeing, telephone numbers (German, English, French)
- At best elaborated route
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- GPS-Tracks on request available
- Rental bike insurance
- 7-day-service-hotline

Not included:

- Arrival and departure
- Costs for parking
- City tax
- Transfers
- Optional sightseeings
- City maps
- Travel Insurance and costs of the private requirements

Extras

Arrival / parking / departure

Good arrival via train or plane to Toulouse.

Airport: Toulouse, Montpellier or Béziers/Cap d'Agde.

Via **train** from Sète to Toulouse approx. € 40,-

Bus transfer on Saturday or Monday from Sète € 75,-.

A reservation is necessary during booking, maximum number of person is 6, payable on site.

Parking

There is parking space closed to the hotel, approx.. € 16,- per day.

Hotels

Standard: You will be accommodated in well-tended 2- or 3-star-hotels (French classification). All rooms are equipped with shower and WC or bath and WC.

Deluxe: The hotel category deluxe has a few parking spaces. The price is appr. EUR 11,00/night. For guests of the standard hotel there is a parking garage nearby. The price is appr. EUR 10,00/night.

Important notes

Further important information according to the package travel law can be found [here!](#)

Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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Book now

