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## Danube cycle path | well known and very popular

Along the Danube - the most popular European cycle route

### Passau or Schärding to Vienna





Explore the paths running alongside the blue Danube River just like the Romans, the legendary Nibelungs, and even like Europe's powerful kings and emperors did before you. You will get to know the beauty and historical significance of this ancient military and trading route. Never far away from the cool, clear water of the Danube, you will enjoy one of Europe's most beautiful and popular cycle routes.

You can either start your trip in the baroque town of Schärding or in Passau, the town of three rivers. You will cycle through various districts of Upper and Lower Austria and finally to the Danube metropolis of Vienna. You will love the breathtaking natural beauty of the Danube valley and the Schlögen bend or perhaps you will fall in love with the landscapes along the Danube river such as the Machland, the Strudengau, or the famous Wachau. In the rural areas, to accompany these wonderful impressions, you can enjoy many traditional Austrian delicacies. Your physical wellbeing will be well catered for, from savoury dumpling specialities all the way to the wines of the Buschenschenken taverns in the Wachau region. This cycle tour is a true classic and is a great first family cycling holiday.

Germany


Austria

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Easy

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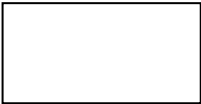


7 Days / 6 Nights



Self-guided tour

To the online version



# Tourenverlauf

**Day 1****Arrival in Schärding or Passau**

Stroll through the pretty little baroque town of Schärding and marvel at the famous Silberzeile lane. Alternatively take a walk through the "New Centre" of Passau, the town of three rivers, which has been completely redesigned as a pedestrian, car-free area.

**Day 2****Schärding/Passau – Schlögen/surroundings**

approx. 55 km

Along the river Inn you will come to Passau, the town of three rivers. We recommend that you take a guided tour of the town, and visit the cathedral where you can enjoy the sounds of the largest church organ in the world (except Sundays and public holidays). Then you will continue along the Danube, first passing Obernzell and finally arriving in Engelhartzell (the only Trappist monastery in Austria). You will then cycle through the nature reserve Donauleiten, from where you will reach the Schlögen Bend to the north. This is where granite proved to be too much of an opponent and forced the Danube to change directions by 180 degrees. While a ferry takes you to the other side of the river to your hotel, you have plenty of time to look at this natural phenomenon.

**Day 3****Schlögen/surroundings - Enns/surroundings**

approx. 70 km

Today they cycle through the green of the Eferding basin via the Danube market Aschach, Ottensheim and Wilhering to the Upper Austrian capital Linz. According to the motto: "It starts in Linz", the numerous pubs in the historic old town are ideal places to stop for a bite to eat. As further highlights of Europe's Capital of Culture 2009, you can enjoy the magnificent view from the Pöstlingberg or a walk along the Danube embankment.

**Day 4****Enns/Surroundings - Marbach/Surroundings**

approx. 65 km

For a change of pace, you will travel a bit away from the course of the Danube to St. Florian (Augustinian canons' monastery) and to Enns. In Enns, visit the town square with the 60-metre high town tower, the landmark of Austria's oldest town, or visit the archaeological collection in the Lauriacum town museum. Now you drive along the Danube again and first reach the wonderful baroque town of Grein. Here you have the opportunity to get an impression of Austria's oldest municipal theatre, which is still in operation. You can also visit the navigation museum or Greinburg Castle. You now leave Upper Austria and cycle into the Weinviertel to Marbach.



**Day 5****Marbach/surroundings - Traismauer/surroundings**

approx. 70 km

In Melk, you should pause for a moment today and look up - otherwise you will miss the beauty of Melk Abbey, which towers over the Danube. As soon as you have left the town behind you, you will enter the Wachau landscape, where the enchanting ambience of the orchards and vineyards typical of this region awaits you. Via the wine towns of Spitz, Weißenkirchen, past the ruins of Dürnstein Castle and Krems, the 1000-year-old town, you complete the stage. Of course, a visit to a wine tasting, which we have organised for you today, is a must during your stay in the Wachau.

**Day 6****Traismauer/surroundings - Vienna**

approx. 65 km

With the last kilometres of the cycling tour, you will reach the Danube metropolis Vienna in a relaxed manner. After your arrival, you will move into your room and can enjoy all the benefits of the city for the rest of the day. Treat yourself to a "Verlängerten" and a piece of the famous Sachertorte in one of Vienna's typical coffee houses. Stroll along Vienna's parade shopping street, the Mariahilfer Straße, visit St. Stephen's Cathedral or see the most important sights with a ride in one of the famous "Fiaker".

**Day 7****Departure or extension**

Individual return journey or extension.



# Charakteristik

Along the Danube flat or slightly downhill, almost continuously on a well-built cycle path without motorised traffic. Only very short sections run on side roads - in terms of route, the Danube Cycle Path is the perfect example of a cycling tour.



# Prices and events

If you prefer to arrive in Schärding, click on Arrival Location above the price section on the left and select Schärding. Then come the corresponding prices and book now options.

## Place of arrival: Passau

	<b>Season 1</b> 30.03.2024 - 12.04.2024   28.09.2024 - 12.10.2024   arrival daily	<b>Season 2</b> 13.04.2024 - 03.05.2024   07.09.2024 - 27.09.2024   arrival daily	<b>Season 3</b> 04.05.2024 - 06.09.2024   arrival daily
<b>Danube Cycle Path, 7 days, cat. A, arrival Passau, AT-DORPW-07A</b>			
Base price	839.00	929.00	989.00
Surcharge single room	249.00	249.00	249.00
<b>Danube Cycle Path, 7 days, cat. B, arrival Passau, AT-DORPW-07B</b>			
Base price	729.00	829.00	879.00
Surcharge single room	239.00	239.00	239.00
<b>Danube Cycle Path, 7 days, cat. C, arrival Passau, AT-DORPW-07C</b>			
Base price	629.00	699.00	759.00
Surcharge single room	199.00	199.00	199.00

## Place of arrival: Schärding

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Sustainability with Rückenwind!

Help us to achieve greater sustainability. If you choose to use the digital route book and forgo the printed version you will help us to reduce our environmental impact and we'll give you a discount of 20 Euro per room as a thank you.

Additional nights

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<b>Passau</b>			
Double room p. P. cat. A	85.00	85.00	85.00
Surcharge single room	29.00	29.00	29.00
<b>Vienna</b>			
Double room p. P. cat. A	89.00	89.00	89.00
Surcharge single room	49.00	49.00	49.00
<b>Passau</b>			
Double room p. P. cat. B	69.00	69.00	69.00
Surcharge single room	39.00	39.00	39.00

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<b>Vienna</b>			
Double room p. P. cat. B	69.00	69.00	69.00
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<b>Passau</b>			
Double room p. P. cat. C	69.00	69.00	69.00
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# Our bookable bikes

	<b>Price</b>
21-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
21-gear gents incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
7-gear unisex incl. rental bike insurance	99.00
rental bike PLUS incl. rental bike insurance	169.00
Electric bike incl. rental bike insurance	259.00

Prices per person in EUR

# Services & Extras

## Services

### Included:

- 6 Overnights in hotels of the booked category incl. breakfast buffet or extended breakfast
- Personal welcome briefing (GE,EN)
- At best elaborated route with maps (GE,EN)
- Detailed travel documents with maps 1x per room (GE,EN)
- Per person 1x voucher for a ferry ride (Au-Schlögen) incl. bike
- Per person 1x voucher for a wine tasting in the Wachau region
- GPS-Tracks on request available
- Luggage transfer
- For rental bikes, rental bike insurance
- Service hotline

### Not included:

- Arrival and departure
- Costs for parking
- City tax
- Transfers
- Optional sightseeings
- City maps
- Repairs of own bike
- Travel Insurances
- Costs of the private requirements

## Extras

### Arrival / Departure

- **Stations:** Schärding or Passau
- Good train connection from Vienna to Passau or Schärding
- **Airports:** Munich or Vienna

**Return transfer** by minibus daily approx. 3 pm from hotel in Vienna, journey time approx. 4 hours, cost € 79,- per person, own bike additional € 39,-. Reservation required, payable in advance!

### Parking:

- Schärding: Free parking on the partner site directly on the cycle path.
- Passau: Public garage approx. € 45,- / week, no reservation possible/necessary!

## Hotels

**Category A:** Overnight stays in top quality hotels of the national 4\* category, all rooms with shower/bath and WC.

**Category B:** Overnight stays in good quality hotels of the national 3\*/4\* category, all rooms with shower/bath and WC. The accommodations may be in the surroundings of the city.



**Category C:** Overnight stays are in selected inns and hotels of the national 3\*/4\* category. All rooms have shower/bath and WC.

## 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**