A Road bike tour From the Dolomites to Venice

An-8 days self-guided cycling vacation

Code tour: ITTREVEN02C





From the north east of the Dolomites you cycle to Venice. It is a tour ideal for road bikers, because you cross the famous mountain passes. The tour starts in Dobbiaco (Toblach) or Villabassa (Niederdorf). These lovely mountain villages offer the best of the Dolomites: crystal clear lakes, mountain pastures and the high mountain peaks of the Dolomites. Some highlights of this tour are Lake Misurina, the 'Three Peaks' (Tre Cime di Lavaredo) and the Olympic town of Cortina d'Ampezzo, the pearl of the Dolomites. The tour takes you on to Bassano del Grappa, named after Mount Grappa, which gave also its name to the most famous Italian distillate. In the Poli museum, everything is told about the history of grappa making and here you can taste this excellent distillate. Now the countryside starts to level out and the ascent and descent will be less. After a short detour to Asolo, the town of hundred different horizons, you will cycle along the wine route from Valdobbiandene to Vittorio Veneto. Crossing idyllic landscapes with typical Italian villages you cycle to Treviso, a friendly town, als called little Venice, because of its canals. Following the River Sile, you finally reach the Adriatic coast and from Jesolo you cycle towards Mestre/Venice.

Period: Every Wednesday and Saturday from 04/05/2024 to 28/09/2024. Not possible from 10/08/2024 to 17/08/2024. Other departure dates with minimum 5 persons on request.

Participants: minimum two persons (single traveller upon request)

Level 4: This is a sporty-racing bike tour for cyclists with a good physical condition and an adequate preparation to ride 65 km / 40 mi until 110 km / 68 miles a day with steep climbs and significant differences in altitude. Mountainous landscape and the plain of Venice area. Total distance from 495 km / 307 miles to 575 km / 357 miles

Highlights and places of interest along the route

- The Dolomites with the fantastic view of the 'Tre Cime' (Drei Zinnen / Three Peaks)
- Lake of Dobbiaco (Toblach) and Lake Landro
- The Cristallo and Tofane Mountain Groups
- Cortina d'Ampezzo, the pearl of the Dolomites
- Pieve di Cadore, the birth town of the painter Titian
- The towns of Belluno, Feltre, Bassano del Grappa and Asolo
- Valddobiandene and the wine route
- Treviso and the lagoon city of Venice



Program in short:

Day 1 Arrival in Niederdorf or Toblach

Day 2 Niederdorf or Toblach - Cortina d'Ampezzo (80 or 90 km)

Day 3 Cortina d'Ampezzo – Belluno (95 km)

Day 4 Belluno - Feltre (105 km)

Day 5 Feltre - Bassano del Grappa (65 km)

Day 6 Bassano del Grappa - Treviso (110 km)

Day 7 Treviso - Venice/Mestre (40 or 110 km)

Day 8 End of tour

Daily program

Day 1 Arrival in the Alta Val Pusteria Dobbiaco (Toblach) / Villabassa (Niederdorf) Individual arrival at the hotel in the Alta Pusteria. Free, unguarded public car park near the hotel.

Overnight with breakfast in Dobbiaco (Toblach) / Villabassa (Niederdorf)

Day 2 Hochpustertal - Cortina d'Ampezzo

The tour takes you to Toblach/Niederdorf to the Sexten Valley (Val di Sesto), a side valley of Pustertal valley in the heart of Dolomites. The route crosses the Kreuzberg Pass (Passo Monte Croce) and you enter the province of Belluno (in Padola to be exact). Before arriving in Cortina d'Ampezzo you will have to conquer other two Dolomite passes (Passo San Antonio and Passo Tre Croci).

Overnight with breakfast in Cortina d'Ampezzo

Distance: about 80 km / 50 miles

Ascent: + 1650 m

or

Distance: about 90 km / 55 miles

Ascent: + 1250 m



Day 3 Cortina d'Ampezzo - Belluno

You leave Cortina with the top of Mount Tofane on your left hand side and on your right the five towers (Cinque torri), then cycle towards the famous Passo Giau. The dolomites accompany you first to Selva di Cadore and then to Belluno, which is with around 80,000 inhabitants the small capital of this province.

Today famous mountain passes combine with unique mountain views.

Overnight with breakfast in Belluno Distance: about 95 km / 60 miles

Ascent: + 1600 m



Day 4 Belluno - Feltre

Today you cycle first through the valley, which is famous for its ice cream, and then through the famous Italian prosecco (sparkling wine) area of Valdobbiadene; finally you reach Feltre. Before you reach the plains, you have one more pass to conquer (Passo San Boldo)!

Overnight with breakfast in Feltre Distance: about 105 km / 65 miles

Ascent: + 1300 m



Day 5 Feltre - Bassano del Grappa

Before you finally reach the plains, you still have to cross the Monte Grappa. In Bassano del Grappa you may enjoy a well-earned 'grappa' on your arrival here. There are many places of interest to visit in the town such as the church of San Francesco, the 'museo civico' (museum) or Piazza della Libertà. This are was one of the many battle areas between Austria/Hungary and Italy during WW 1.

Overnight with breakfast in Bassano del Grappa

Distance: about 65 km / 40,5 miles

Ascent: + 1500 m



Day 6 Bassano del Grappa - Treviso

Today you leave the mountains and enter the area of the famous villas of Palladio (1508-1580). It is worthwhile to make a stop in the enchanting town of Asolo before cycling to Valdobbiadene. You continue along the 'vine road' to Vittorio Veneto and Conegliano. Your overnight stay is in Treviso, known for its waterways. Treviso is also a centre of Italian fashion (it houses the head office of Benetton) and along the canal banks there are many wonderful houses and shops to admire.

Overnight with breakfast in Treviso Distance: about 110 km / 68 miles

Ascent: + 600 m



Day 7 Treviso - Mestre (Venice)

Following the River Sile, you cycle towards the Adriatic Sea and the 'Serenissima' (Venice). Your overnight stay is in Mestre or Marghera from where you can visit easily the impressive lagoon town of Venice by bus or train. Venice is often referred to as 'La Serenissima', from the Venetian name of the former republic: 'the Most Serene Republic of Venice'.

Option 1:

Overnight with breakfast in Mestre (Venice)

Distance: about 110 km / 68 miles

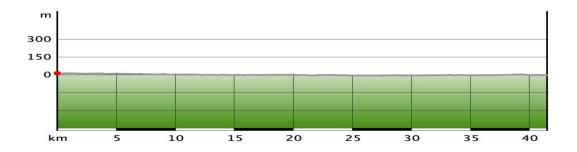
Ascent: + 0 m

Option 2:

Overnight with breakfast in Mestre (Venice)

Distance: about 40 km / 25 miles

Ascent: + 100 m



Day 8 End of tour after breakfast

Departure or possibility to extend your stay for a few more days

Hotels:

*** or **** stars hotels

Prices p.p. 2024	Euro
In double room arrival 04/05/2024 or 28/09/2024	€ 749
In double room from 05/05/2024 to 14/06/2024 and from	€ 829
14/09/2024 to 27/09/2024	
In double room from 15/06/2024 to 13/09/2024	€ 894
Single room supplement	€ 229
Road bike rental (limited availability)	€ 280
Extra night in Mainland (Mestre-Venice)	
p.p.p.n. in double room	€89
Single room supplement	€29
Extra night in Villabassa/Dobbiaco	
p.p.p.n. in double room from 04/05/2024 to 14/06/2024 and from	
14/09/2024 to 28/09/2024	€89
p.p.p.n. in double room from 15/06/2024 to 13/09/2024	€95
Single room supplement	€29

Included in the tour:

- Accommodation in hotels in a 3***star and a **** star category with breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- Videobriefing
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Well planned routes notes (in English, Italian or German)
- Detailed documents (maps, gpx tracks, places of interest, important telephone numbers) in English
- Navigation App
- Telephone service hotline in English for the entire tour

Not included:

- Drinks, tourists tax and all extras
- Rental bikes and travel insurance
- Arrival at the starting point
- Departure at the end of the tour
- Not mentioned entries
- All not expressly mentioned under the item "included in the tour"

Bikes:

Pinarello Carbon



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