



AROUND THE DOLOMITES E-BIKE OR SPORTY CYCLING TOUR



LEISURE ROUND TOUR AT THE FOOT OF UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE

self-guided tour
8 days / 7 nights



DESCRIPTION

The Dolomites are your constant companion during this round trip with the e-bike or trekking bike (for sporty cyclists) at the foot of the legendary "PALE MOUNTAINS", on the list of UNESCO world heritage due to their "unique monumental beauty". Start point of this tour is the Hochpustertal, demarcating the Dolomites towards the North. Then you continue along the Eisack- and Etsch valleys, forming the west border, passing South Tyrol's capital Bolzano and reaching Trento. On the southern part of the Dolomites you will cycle through the Valsugana valley to Feltre. The former Dolomites railway track will lead you into the direction of the Olympic town Cortina d'Ampezzo. Finally you will greet the famous Drei Zinnen (Three Peaks) from the Höhlensteintal and you turn back to Hochpustertal.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ROUTE

This cycling tour has been designed especially for e-bikers. Most of the route follows cycling paths, sometimes quiet side roads. Although you always have an eye on the Dolomites, you cycle comfortably at their feet along cycle paths and quiet side roads. For sporty cyclists this route can be done also with a trekking bike. The tour is suitable for children over 14 years.

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A DAY BY DAY ACCOUNT OF THE ROUTE

DAY 1: Arrival in Hochpustertal (Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco)

Individual arrival at the hotel in Hochpustertal. Free, unguarded public car park near the hotel.

DAY 2: Hochpustertal – Klausen/Chiusa (approx. 80 - 85 km)

On the first part of today's route the Pustertal cycling path will show you the way. River Rienz accompanies you to Brunico, inviting you for a rest and a stroll through the city. Back in the saddle you pass the ruins of Mühlbacher Klause – the final point of the Pustertal valley. Shortly before Bressanone you can visit the monastery of Neustift or the fortress Franzensfeste. Bressanone is worth to be visited as well. From far cloister Säben is welcoming you soaring over the city of Chiusa, where you will spend the night.

DAY 3: Klausen/Chiusa – Trento (approx. 90 km)

From Chiusa you cycle along river Eisack to Ponte Gardena, from where you will admire the view on castle Trostburg. The valley leads you to South Tyrol's capital city Bolzano where two different linguistic cultures meet each other as well as the Italian and Tyrolean life styles. After a visit of Bolzano's pedestrian and shopping area Lauben and the fruit market you will follow river Etsch and leave South Tyrol passing the Salurner Klause – border between the German speaking South Tyrol and the Italian speaking Trentino. Fruit trees and vineyards accompany your way to the former bishop's town Trento with its inviting historic town and castle Buonconsiglio. It is possible to make a short detour to lake Kaltern.

DAY 4: Trento – Feltre (approx. 95 km or approx. 65 km + train, ticket not included)

You cycle past lake Caldronazzo which is inviting you for a longer stop. The first part to Caldronazzo is quite steep and can be shortened by taking the train. Through the impressive Valsugana valley the way leads you to Feltre, a small city on the former "Via Claudia Augusta", an important Roman road from Aquileia to Augsburg in Germany.

DAY 5: Feltre – Belluno (approx. 40 km)

Through an alley of broad-leaved forests you reach Belluno, small capital city of the homonymous province. Today you will pass picturesque villages, inviting you for a rest every now and then. Towards north you look back to the mighty Dolomites, your companion during the first stages.

DAY 6: Belluno – Pieve di Cadore (approx. 45 km)

Today you continue your way back north, passing Longarone. This town was completely rebuilt in 1963 after a landslide at the Vajont dam above the village caused a flood. On the new cycling path you will get from Longarone to Pieve di Cadore, where you will spend the night.

DAY 7: Pieve di Cadore – Hochpustertal (approx. 60 – 65 km)

Pure nature is the motto of today's stage. The most important stop of the former Dolomites railway has been Cortina d'Ampezzo surrounded by some of the most famous Dolomites peaks - 1956 Winter Olympics have been celebrated there. Along the track of the former Dolomites railway you reach the border of the region Veneto and get back to South Tyrol. The nature park Drei Zinnen (Three Peaks) on your right and nature park Fanes Sennes Prags to your left have to show you lots of scenic highlights on this last stage: enjoy the panoramic view on the famous Drei Zinnen (Three Peaks), a Cappuccino or an ice-cream at lake Dürrensee or a boat trip on the emerald green lake Toblacher See.

DAY 8: Departure

Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay.

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

- **Classification of the cycle-tour:** Self-guided tour

- **Duration:** 8 days / 7 nights

- **Distance:** Approx. 385 - 415 km

- **Starting point:** Hochpustertal (Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco)

- **Arrival:**

By car: on the Brenner/Brennero motorway (A22) to Brixen/Bressanone – take the exit "Brixen-Pustertal", then through the valley Pustertal/Valle Pusteria (SS49) to Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco, depending on the location of your hotel or drive along the Felbertauernstraße to Lienz in Eastern Tyrol (Austria) and then further into Italy through the valley Pustertal/Valle Pusteria to Toblach/Dobbiaco or Niederdorf/Villabassa, depending on the location of your hotel.

By train: take the train from Innsbruck over the Brenner/Brennero to Franzensfeste/Fortezza. Change the train to the valley Pustertal/Valle Pusteria - Lienz and get off either at Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco depending on the location of your hotel. Timetable available on: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com.

By plane: low cost flights are available to Treviso, Venice Marco Polo, Trieste Ronchi dei Legionari and Innsbruck.

- **Accommodation:** Hotels 3*** category

Attention: Tourist tax – if requested – has to be paid on the spot.

- **Parking:** Free and unguarded parking facilities for the duration of the bicycle tour at a nearby public parking area.

- **Rental bikes:**

21-gears women's or men's bicycle

E-bike (unisex bike, 500 W battery, range up to 100 km)

INCLUDED SERVICES; SELF-GUIDED TOUR:

- Accommodation in hotels 3*** category
- Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- Personal tour information
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, route description, places to visit, important telephone numbers)
- Telephone service hotline for the entire tour

NON INCLUDED SERVICES

- Arrival to the starting point of the tour
- Departure at the end of the tour
- Drinks, tourist tax and all extras
- Lunch, Dinner
- Not mentioned entries
- Rental bikes and travel insurance
- All not expressly mentioned under the item „Included services“

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STARTING DATES 2020

ARRIVAL	every Sunday 03/05/2020 (first available date) to 27/09/2020 (last available date) every Saturday 02/05/2020 (first available date) to 27/06/2020 (last available date) and 29/08/2020 (first available date) to 19/09/2020 (last available date)
NON SCHEDULE ARRIVAL DATES	minimum of 5 persons upon request!

PRICES 2020

SELF-GUIDED TOUR	
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast arrival day 02/05/2020 and 27/09/2020	€ 599.00
Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast	€ 699.00
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 169.00
High season* surcharge, per person	€ 75.00
ADDITIONAL SERVICES	
Rental bike	€ 79.00
E-Bike	€ 169.00
EXTRA NIGHTS IN VILLABASSA/DOBBIACO	
Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast in May/June/September/October	€ 59.00
Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast in July/August	€ 79.00
Single room surcharge, per night,	€ 17.00

*High season: arrival dates from 20/06/2020 to 12/09/2020 (incl.)

We suggest travel insurance.
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