

## Istria - Cycling around Porec - 8 days

You start your bicycle holiday in Porec, which is probably the most important town at the west coast of Croatia and on the Istria Peninsula. The Euphrasian Basilica and the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption of Mary has been inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1997.

### Day 1: Arrival at Porec

Individual arrival at your hotel in Porec. We suggest to visit the Euphrasian Basilica - listed as UNESCO World Heritage since 1997.

### Day 2: Round trip Porec, ~35 km

Today's cycling day makes you explore the hinterland of Porec. First along the coast to the bathing resort Santa Marina di Vabriga and then to Vabriga. You leave the coast again and continue cycling in the inland to Visnjan and back to Porec.

### Day 3: Porec > Vrsar > Limski Channel > Porec, ~40 km

Today you will cycle from Porec to the famous fjord-like Limski channel with its blue shimmering water. The Limski channel is a protected natural area and on its coasts you will find mussels- and oyster breeding. Through the inland you will get back to Porec.

### Day 4: Groznan > Buje > Novigrad - Porec, ~55 km

You will reach the artistic village Groznan today! Named the first time in 1102 it is today a meeting point for musicians from all over the world. During summer a lot of classical concerts with young musicians take place. In the second half of July you can join the festival "Jazz is back". In the end of September artists meet each other for "Ex Tempore" - performing arts. From Groznan you cycle passing Buje downhill to the Adriatic coast and along to Novigrad (in Italian Cittanova). This medieval town is surrounded by a defensive wall and is seated at the mouth of the river Mirna. On your way back you will pass the cave "Jama Baredine" - a dripstone cave, before reaching Porec again.

### Day 5: Motovun > Porec, ~45 km

After a short transfer in the hinterland of Porec the first stop is Motovun, a formerly important strategic point of the Venetians, invulnerable on the top of a steep hill. You may surround this medieval town and enjoy the breath taking view on the surrounded hilly landscape, the sea and the Mirna valley. Along the Parenzana you continue your ride to Vizinada from where you will see once again the impressive town of Motovun before going back to Porec.

### Day 6: Porec > Rovinj, ~55 km

Today you will reach Rovinj, one of the most beautiful cities in Istria. Rovinj is surrounded in the west and the south west by the Adriatic Sea. A far the high bell tower of the Euphemia Church built on the highest spot of Rovinj, greets you. Go ahead, if you would like to cycle to Zlatnirt (also known as Golden Cape), a peninsula, where you find a park in a nature reserve. Return transfer to Porec in the afternoon.

### Day 7: Kanafar > Pula, ~40 km

After a transfer to Kanfanar you cycle through wide woods in direction Pula. In Fazana you have the possibility to visit with one of the boats the Brijuni-islands. The Brijuni-islands are twelve smaller and 2 bigger islands; the main island Veli Brijun was used by the Yugoslav statesman Tito as summer residence. Today the islands are National Park and only Veli Brijun can be visited by the public. Continue your cycling trip to Pula, the biggest city of Istria. Famous for the antique places of interest like the amphitheater! In the evening transfer back to Porec.

### Day 8: Departure

Individual departure or extension of your stay.

### Services:

7 nights in a wonderful 4\*\*\*\* hotel  
 7x breakfast  
 videobriefing  
 transfers as mentioned in the program  
 detailed tour description with maps GB, DE, IT  
 navigation app  
 service hotline

### additional services:

extra night, single BnB, Porec	134 €
extra night, double BnB, Porec	94 €
rental bike top 21 gears	179 €
rental bike 21 gears	109 €
electric bike	269 €
own bike	0 €
half board	200 €

### Price:

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double room, BnB	920 €
single room, BnB	1159 €
twin room, BnB	920 €

