

Salzkammergut - 10 lakes around Salzburg - 8 days

You're interested in cycling holidays in the Austrian Alps. But you'd prefer to do it the easy way. Then we got the perfect bike tour for you. A tour through the Salzkammergut provides quiet bicycling along lake shores and through pristine countryside. Not far from the city of Salzburg, the landscape of Alpine foothills has a charm of its own. Small peaks tower above the background of the clean lakes and invite again and again to stop and take in the scenery. You bike past lush green meadows, mighty woods and jagged rocks. You bike through pastures and moor lands, imperial towns and picturesque villages, often taking a narrow gauge train or lake steamship to help you along.

Day 1: Arrival in Salzburg

Arrival in the city of Mozart at your starting hotel with the tour information.

Day 2: Salzburg > Trumer Seen/Wallersee, ~45-55 km

Along the Salzach you cycle up to Oberdorf ("Silent Night" chapel). You go on to the Augustinian Monastery Michaelbeuern and then into the Trumer Lakes Country (Obertrumersee, Mattsee Grabensee). The overnight stay is at the Trumer Lakes or the lake Wallersee.

Day 3: Trumer Seen/Wallersee > Mondsee/Attersee, ~40-55 km

First, the route goes through the Euro-Wenger Moor Nature Reserve and then to the Irrsee (also called Zellersee). At Mondsee Lake, one of the warmest lakes in the Salzkammergut, note the remarkable castle and Benedictine monastery. The overnight stay is at the Mondsee or Attersee.

Day 4: Mondsee/Attersee > Traunsee, ~55 km

Today's bike tour starts with a boat ride to Weyregg (note the seasonal timetable!). From here you ride on to explore the Aurachtal and soon the beautiful ceramics city of Gmunden and the stunning Traunsee Lake (Seeschloss place, Renaissance town hall with ceramic chiming mechanism). Further south on the lake is Traunkirchen (old fisherman's area).

Day 5: Traunsee > Hallstätter See > Bad Goisern/surroundings, ~30 km

Morning ride from Ebensee to Obertraun am Hallstättersee with the mighty Dachstein glacier. You will cycle along the lake up to Hallstatt (since 1997 "World Cultural and Natural Heritage" by UNESCO). The ossuary and the salt mine should definitely be visited before you take the boat back to the eastern shore and continue your tour to Bad Goisern/surroundings.

Day 6: Bad Goisern/surroundings > Wolfgangsee, ~30 km

from Bad Goisern area you continue along the Traun river to the imperial and spa town of Bad Ischl (Teahouse of the Empress Sissi, Imperial Villa, Imperial Park, Lehar estate). Along the Ischler Ache you come to Strobl. Anyone who wants can take the cogwheel train up the mountain and enjoy the view.

Day 7: Wolfgangsee > Scharfling > Salzburg, ~60 km

Today's stage you cycle half on the Ischl route (the historic rail link Salzburg - Bad Ischl was here from 1891 to 1957). Along the shoreline, you will travel first to the Mozart village of St. Gilgen. After a cruise downhill after Scharfling you continue along the Mondsee back on the second part of Ischlerbahn route to Salzburg.

Day 8: Departure or extra nights

Services:

7 nights in 4**** and 3*** hotels
 7x breakfast
 7x tourist taxes
 luggage transport
 welcome briefing
 boat trip on the Attersee during season (01.07. - 31.08.)
 boat trip on the Hallstatt lake (market to station)
 train from Traunsee lake to Hallstatt lake
 maps and tour description GB, DE
 GPS-data on request
 service hotline

additional services:

rental bike 21 gears	110 €
electric bike	250 €
own bike	0 €

Price:

