

Via Claudia | Füssen - Riva del Garda - 8 days

On Roman footsteps! Your cycling tour starts along the antique route of the Via Claudia Augusta straight through Forggensee lake. After a short intermezzo with King Ludwig's visions in his castle of Neuschwanstein your cycle trip proceeds past the Füssener Lechfall, then the cycle path continues along river Lech into the Tyrolean Alps. From Reutte an organised shuttle-transfer takes you to Fernsteinsee Castle and the cycle path takes you through the picturesque Gurgltal (Gurgl Valley) and into the Upper Inn Valley. Another shuttle-transfer takes you from Landeck to Nauders on the Reschenpass. From South Tyrol you take the Adige Cycle Path, along the playful river, through the lush fruit growing landscapes of the sun-drenched Vinschgau valley, via the spa town of Merano and the idyllic shimmering Lake Caldaro to the lovely Castelfeder holiday region. The wine gardens and numerous manorial castles nestle upon the hills and high plateaus around Lake Caldaro and the South Tyrolean lower land flows seamlessly into the famous Trentino. It seems just a stone's throw from Trento to the deep blue lake Garda and the cragged cliffs and delicate pink blossoms of oleander bushes by Riva del Garda.

Day 1: Individual journey to Füssen in Bavaria

King Ludwig II. and his fairy-tale castle welcome you in Füssen.

Day 2: Füssen > Imst, ~40 km or without transfer ~70 km

Today the tour takes us from Füssen to Reutte. From there our transfer brings you across Fern Pass in a comfortable way. From Fernstein castle you cycle past Nassereith and through the picturesque Gurgltal Valley to Imst. A "beery" adventure awaits you at the microbrewery at Starkenberg castle.

Day 3: Imst > Holiday region Lago di Resia & Alta Venosta, ~55 km or without transfer ~105 km

After a hearty breakfast you cycle from Imst to Landeck. From there we take the shuttle up to Nauders. Soon afterwards you cross the border to Italy at Reschen pass and with it the main Alpine ridge. You cycle downwards towards Malles past Reschenstausee reservoir with the sunken church tower of Altgraun, one of the most famous photo motifs of Italy. Enjoy the first evening on South Tyrolean soil and enjoy strolling through the old alleyways of the town.

Day 4: Holiday region Lago di Resia & Alta Venosta > Merano, ~65 km

Today you cross the entire Val Venosta. The route leads from an altitude of more than 1,000m down to the town of Merano that is located at an altitude of 350m. Most of the route follows the course of River Adige. From your starting place this pleasant cycling stretch leads down to the smallest town of the Alps, the town of Glorenza. Past the marble town of Laas you get to Naturns and eventually - past the impressive Kastellbell castle - to the spa town of Merano. Enjoy an evening walk through town along the "Passer" promenade surrounded by subtropical flora.

Day 5: Merano > Region Castelfeder, ~50 km

There is plenty to see along this route: Niederlana's famous Schnatterpeckaltar, the largest Gothic wing altar in the Alpine area, the highest church tower of the South Tyrol in Terlan and a great number of fortresses and ruins on both valley slopes. And - after the optional visit of Bolzano you'll have the wonderful opportunity to refresh your legs at Lake Caldaro.

Day 6: Region Castelfeder > Trento, ~50 km

Today you cycle along River Adige that is lined by orchards until you get to Salorno. The German-speaking part of the South Tyrol ends here. The stage finishes in the town of Trento which features an old town worth seeing with historic buildings like the cathedral and Buonconsiglio castle.

Day 7: Trento > Riva del Garda, ~50 km

Along the River Adige you'll pass Rovereto and finally reach the Lake Garda.

Day 8: Individual return journey or extension

Services:

7 nights in carefully chosen 3*** hotels
 7x breakfast
 visitor's tax
 transfer across Fern Pass
 transfer across Reschen Pass
 detailed tour documentation
 GPS tracks on request
 luggage transport from hotel to hotel
 service hotline

additional services:

extra night, single BnB, Riva del Garda	149 €
extra night, single, BnB, Füssen	139 €
extra night, double BnB, Riva del Garda	109 €
extra night, double, BnB, Füssen	99 €
transfer back	180 €
rental bike 21 gears	105 €
electric bike	240 €
own bike	0 €

Price:

11.05.2024 - 18.05.2024 - hotel according to offer

double room, BnB	1199 €
single room, BnB	1498 €
twin room, BnB	1199 €

