

## Western Normandy - to the Mont-Saint Michel - 8 days

This bike tour gives you the opportunity to cycle through two of the most important sites of Normandy, the World War II D-day beaches and the great Bay of Mont Saint Michel. In between those areas, you will ride through the unbeaten tracks of the province. You will feel the variety that Normandy can offer.

### Day 1: Arrival in Bayeux

You must find some time to visit the famous tapestry, the cathedral, and the commonwealth war museum, which are allocated in the center of the town, as well as the wonderfully preserved old part of the town. Being the allies head quarter soon after the landing, Bayeux has not been bombed and is extremely well preserved.

### Day 2: Around Bayeux, ~36 or 61 km

You cycle east towards Courseulles and Juno Beach. After a stop at the peaceful Canadian cemetery, you ride westwards along the coast (Gold beach) in order to visit Arromanches with its remarkable artificial harbor (Mulberry) and the German battery of Longues-sur-Mer before returning to Bayeux following the pretty Aure valley.

### Day 3: Bayeux > Carentan, ~62 or 76 km

Joining the new cycling way, you ride through a very nice part of the Bessin to get to Omaha beach and its impressive American cemetery at Colleville sur mer. After la pointe du Hoc, we suggest a quiet road south, passing near the German cemetery at La Cambe before entering the Natural park to find your accommodation in the center of Carentan.

### Day 4: Carentan > Agon-Countainville, ~55 km

Today you are ridding south on small country road through the marsh. Then the landscape starts changing for small hills and isolated dairy farms. After passing Coutances and its great cathedral you ride west to the coast south of the Sienne River. The contrast between the austere granite villages and the clear blue see of the sea is quiet picturesque. You are staying in a family run hotel by the sea.

### Day 5: Agon-Countainville > Granville, ~48 km

Out of the hotel you will find the ruined of a feudal chateau. The short ride basically follows the coast all the way to Granville. On very narrow roads you will assist to activities of the farmers of the sea. In fact, tractors and workers are following the tide down in the sea to work on oyster and mussel fields... a very impressive site. The longer route takes you inland through the "Bocage" to the old abbey of Hambye before rejoining the shorter route along the coast. Your hotel is located on the yacht club of Granville!

### Day 6: Granville > Avranches, ~47 or 59 km

The coastal road being too busy, our route takes you inland and rolling hills to the well preserved Abbey of La Lucerne. As the main road leaves the coast further south you cycle west until you discover the bay around Saint-Jean-le-Thomas. You follow it to the south headland of Grouin before finishing up to Avranches historical part of town.

### Day 7: Avranches > Pontorson > Mont-Saint Michel, ~29 or 57 km

Today is given up to the visit of the Mont-Saint-Michel, the Abbey and the bay. You start with a great downhill from Avranches to the Mont-Saint-Michel bay and its Abbey. On the way you cycle through quaint country side, see herds of sheep on the reclaim land and pass by the German War Memorial of Huisnes-sur-Mer. Once checked-in at your hotel in Pontorson you can, leave your bike at the hotel and take the shuttle to Mont Saint Michel or you can bike (30 min). You need a minimum of 3 hours to visit the Mont-St-Michel "town island" and its abbey on foot. In the evening you will have the whole place lighten for you!

### Day 8: Departure

### Services:

7 nights in upper 3\*\*\* and 4\*\*\*\* hotels in cat. A  
 7 nights in 2\*\* and 3\*\*\* hotels in cat. B  
 7x copious breakfast  
 1 dinner (3 course menu) in Avranches  
 welcome briefing at the first hotel (except for Sundays)  
 luggage transfer  
 detailed tour description and maps GB, FR  
 GPX files on request  
 navigation app  
 service hotline

### additional services:

supplement arrival any day	30 €
supplement solo traveler (luggage)	265 €
race bike	280 €
rental bike	175 €
electric bike	280 €
own bike	0 €
reduction no luggage transfer	-150 €

### Price:

18.05.2024 - 25.05.2024 - hotel according to offer

double room, BnB, cat. A	1130 €
double room, BnB, cat. B	990 €
single room, BnB, cat. A	1460 €
single room, BnB, cat. B	1250 €
twin room, BnB, cat. A	1130 €
twin room, BnB, cat. B	990 €

