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## From Austria to the Italian coast

The second stage of the Alpe Adria cycle route starts in Villach, in sunny Carinthia. After you have started cycling in Carinthia, it will soon become "Servus Austria - Ciao Italy!" Shortly after the border, you can already feel the unmistakable flair of beautiful Italy. The cycle route leads through a varied landscape, from the mountains to the vineyards to the Italian coast. Cultural highlights are self-evident! Are you ready for a journey of discovery through the most beautiful parts of Austria and Italy?

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**Details about the bike tour from Villach to Trieste**



The two countries have one thing in common: a love of nature and culinary delights! The mix of cultures is reflected in the traditional national cuisine. What can you look forward to? On traditional Austrian dishes and of course on the Mediterranean, and Italian delicacies. Accompanied by these culinary delights, you will leave the Alps and welcome the Friuli-Venezia Giulia region, enclosed between the Veneto region, Austria, Slovenia and the Adriatic Sea.

After leaving the Kanaltal, you will cycle towards the sea. As the pedals turn, the Adriatic coast stretches out in front of you with miles of sandy beaches before arriving in Trieste!

## The highlights of your cycling holiday at a glance

- **Cultural diversity in Tarvisio:** You will be greeted in three languages at the border from Austria to Italy! Because here Austrians, Italians and Slovenians say "Hello"!
- **Gemona del Friuli:** The picturesque townscape, the majestic Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta and the impressive vines speak for themselves. Feel the "Dolce Vita" and enjoy pizza, pasta and coffee.
- **Port City of Trieste:** The fantastic coastal scenery and the world-famous Miramare Castle in Trieste are the crowning points of the bike tour. The old town invites you to enjoy and stroll. Tip for indulgence: an authentic Italian coffee in Piazza Unità d'Italia in the old city of Trieste.

## Important information about the cycling holiday from Villach to Trieste

In seven days, you will cycle leisurely on the gently sloping cycle paths from Villach to Trieste. You cover between 40 and 70 kilometres per day. The tour is ideal for pleasure cyclists and easy to complete with an average difficulty level. The only long climb is just before Tarvisio.

This tour has been graded as **Medium**. Find out more about our **cycling holiday difficulty levels**.

You can read more about the **Alpe Adria Cycle Path** in our detailed guide.

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Tour information



Medium



7 Days / 6 Nights



Self-Guided



Luggage transfers included



Total cycling distance: Approx 275 km

To the online version





# Itinerary

DAY  
1


## Arrival in Villach

Experience the tranquillity of the mountains, the serene shores of crystal-clear lakes, and the untouched beauty of nature. Situated at the heart of Carinthia, Villach embraces this rich diversity.

DAY  
2

## Villach – Tarvis approx. 40 km


Embark on a journey from Villach along the scenic river Gail, as you cross into Italy from Austria. Nestled within the Italy-Austria-Slovenia triangle, the Canal Valley takes centre stage, with the Italian town of Tarvisio serving as its hub. This region has witnessed the coexistence of Austrians, Slovenians, and Italians for centuries, making it a convergence point for the major European language families.

 ca. 40 km

DAY  
3

## Tarvis – Venzzone approx. 60 km


Continuing through Italy, the well-developed cycle path guides you downhill through the Val Canale Valley. As you pedal, take in the breathtaking Friulian alpine landscape, characterized by pristine nature and expansive forests. Your day's destination lies in one of the charming villages nestled at the foothills of the Julian Alps.

 ca. 60 km




DAY  
4**Venzone – Udine** approx. 60 km


Exiting the southern end of Val Canale Valley, you'll encounter one of the Friulian-Julian-Venetian region's most captivating historic villages: Gemona del Friuli. The village's focal point, the magnificent Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta, is sure to leave a lasting impression. As you journey towards Udine, the landscape transitions to include the first vineyards and vines along the cycle route. Upon reaching Udine, soak in the "dolce vita" as you enjoy a coffee on the Piazza or wander the alleyways, marvelling at the late Gothic and Renaissance architecture.

 ca. 60 kmDAY  
5**Udine – Grado** approx. 55 km

Experience the gentle sirocco breeze as you cycle through expansive reed scenery and alongside charming water canals, leading you to the Gulf of Venice. Pause in the Roman city of Aquileia, often referred to as the "second Rome," before reaching your holiday's final destination. Grado, a beloved Adriatic beach resort, will captivate you with its vast sandy beach, historic harbour, and enchanting narrow alleys lined with delightful restaurants, exuding true Italian charm.

 ca. 55 kmDAY  
6**Grado – Trieste** approx. 70 km

You'll depart from the coastline and embark on a cycling journey through the rugged terrain, making your way toward the Gulf of Trieste. Upon returning to the seaside, you'll be treated to awe-inspiring coastal vistas, and a notable highlight of today's ride is the renowned Miramare Castle. The iconic castle and its picturesque surroundings add to the allure of your cycling adventure. Your cycling holiday concludes in the historic port city of Trieste, a fitting and splendid end to your remarkable journey.

 ca. 70 km



DAY  
7

## Return trip or extension

Are you enjoying Trieste a little longer with an extension or are you going home today?



# Route information

You will mainly cycle on well-developed cycle paths and quiet side streets. Only some parts of the stages also lead to busy roads or unpaved roads. In general, the route is gently sloping with a long climb to Tarvisio.





# Prices and dates

Price calculation and check availability: **Alpe Adria Cycle Path: Villach to Trieste**

Place of arrival: Villach

	Season 1 27.04.2024 - 10.05.2024 28.09.2024 - 06.10.2024 Sunday	Season 2 11.05.2024 - 24.05.2024 07.09.2024 - 27.09.2024 Sunday	Season 3 25.05.2024 - 06.09.2024 Sunday
Alpe-Adria Cycle Route Villach - Trieste, AT-AARVT-07X			
Base price	879.00	929.00	959.00
Single room surcharge	299.00	299.00	299.00

**Hotel information:** You will stay in carefully selected 3\*\*\*, 4\*\*\*\* hotels and guesthouses

# Additional nights

Place of arrival: Villach

	Season 1 Apr 27, 2024 - May 10, 2024 Sep 28, 2024 - Oct 6, 2024 Sunday	Season 2 May 11, 2024 - May 24, 2024 Sep 7, 2024 - Sep 27, 2024 Sunday	Season 3 May 25, 2024 - Sep 6, 2024 Sunday
Villach			
Double room p.p.	89.00	89.00	89.00
Single room surcharge	55.00	55.00	55.00
Trieste			
Double room p.p.	89.00	89.00	89.00

	<b>Season 1</b> Apr 27, 2024 - May 10, 2024 Sep 28, 2024 - Oct 6, 2024 Sunday	<b>Season 2</b> May 11, 2024 - May 24, 2024 Sep 7, 2024 - Sep 27, 2024 Sunday	<b>Season 3</b> May 25, 2024 - Sep 6, 2024 Sunday
Single room surcharge	59.00	59.00	59.00

## Our rental bikes

	Price
21-Speed Unisex Bike	99.00
27-Speed Bike PLUS	159.00
Unisex E-Bike	239.00
7-Speed Unisex Bike	99.00

Prices per person in GBP



# Included services and travel information

## Services

### Included

- 6 nights as described, including breakfast
- Personal welcome meeting (German, English)
- Luggage transfer(s) max. 1 piece of luggage 20 kg per person
- Travel folder 1x per room (German, English with route and overview maps, detailed route description, places of interest, important telephone numbers, luggage labels)
- GPS data available on request
- Service Hotline

### Not included

- Tourist tax, if applicable, to be paid locally
- (Optional) Return transfer from Trieste-Salzburg every Saturday morning, costs €119 per person (surcharge for bringing your own bike €29 per bike). Reservation required, pay in advance

## Arrival information

- Airport: Salzburg Airport, Ljubljana, Klagenfurt
- Train: Villach Station
- Parking: Parking approximately €40 per week, to be paid on site, reservation not possible
- Return: The return journey to Salzburg by public transport is possible with the Flixbus is 5.5 hours, direct. See [www.omio.com](http://www.omio.com)

## Sample hotel list

This is a sample hotel list. Hotels will be booked depending on availability.

### **Villach**

Hotel Voco 4\*\*\*\*s

<https://www.ihg.com/voco/hotels/de/de/villach/kluat/hoteldetail>

### **Tarvis**

Hotel Haberl 3\*\*\*

[www.hotelhaberl.com](http://www.hotelhaberl.com)

### **Venzone/surroundings**

Albergo Pittis (Osoppo) 3\*\*\*

[www.hotelpittis.com](http://www.hotelpittis.com)

### **Udine**

Hotel Clocchiatti Next 3\*\*\*

[www.hotelclocchiatti.it](http://www.hotelclocchiatti.it)

### **Grado**

Hotel Rialto 4\*\*\*\*

[www.hotel-rialto.net](http://www.hotel-rialto.net)

### **Trieste**

Hotel Victoria 4\*\*\*\*

[www.hotelvictoriatrieste.com](http://www.hotelvictoriatrieste.com)