



Trip description

Cycling around the Arcachon Bay: an invigorating trip

The oyster-farming village of Gujan Mestras, the wide sand beaches, the great dune of Pilat or the fragrant pine forest.



Destination	France
Location	Landes / Bordeaux
Duration	3 days
Difficulty Level	Very easy
Validity	From April to November
Minimum age	1 year
Reference	A0301

Type of stay
centre based trip



Itinerary



Arcachon Bay cycling paths provide you with a great choice of nice destinations in the area: the oyster-farming village of Gujan Mestras, the wide sand beaches, the great dune of Pyla or the fragrant pine forest next to the dunes.

Arcachon bateliers can also give you a boat ride to Cap Ferret, where you can wander to see the oyster-fishing huts in their lively and contrasted colors and the awesome view on the bay. In the culture field, do not miss Arcachon Winter Town and admire the typical architecture of the villas.

DAY 1

To the Great Dune of Pilat and the ocean

Bike
26km

On this route, you'll ride along the coastline and dunes towards the Dune of Pilat. Take time to sunbath on the beach or enjoy a dip in the ocean water.

DAY 2

Suggested day trip : Lac de Cazaux

Bike
45km

Bike towards the dune of Pyla and leave the beautiful city of Arcachon behind. Cross the beautiful pine forest on a small slightly hilly country road and reach the impressive lake of Cazaux. The bike tour back to Arcachon is on a very flat bike path.

Suggested day trip : oyster-farming villages and the Leyre delta

Bike
41km

Learn about oyster farming from dedicated oyster farmers in Gujan Mestras and sample the freshest oysters you'll ever taste! The Leyre Delta is where fresh waters of the river and the salty waters of the ocean meet. You can go bird watching or rent a canoe or kayak and explore the area or water.

Oyster museum (Maison de l'huître) Approximately 1 hour, included in tour. The museum visit is partly guided.

DAY 3

Cap-Ferret

Bike
25km

Boat ride

Cross by boat the Arcachon Bay to admire the best view on the basin where you see the Great Dune of Pyla emerges under the changing light. The Cap-Ferret is a nature reserve in which you can cycle easily thanks to many well signaled cycle paths and quiet small roads.

Accommodation

Category B

You stay in a *** hotel near the water front. Breakfast is included.



* Example of the type of accommodation

Practical information

To get to departure point:

By plane: flight to Bordeaux and then regional train (50 minutes) to Arcachon.

By train: From Paris-Montparnasse rail station, take a TGV train to Bordeaux, then change for a regional train to Arcachon. The duration of the trip is about 4h30. To plan your trip, www.raileurope.com

Parking

If you drive to Arcachon, you can park your car at your hotel where parking is free (not bookable places) or in the surrounding streets near the Place de Verdun, very safe because the police station is located around the corner.

Meeting time:

You pick your bike in a shop near your accommodation. You arrive whenever you want, depending on where you come from. Please note that the shop is open Mondays to Sundays from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Price description

Category B	285 €/pers
Double room fare	
2 nights in a 3* hotel	
2 breakfasts	
3-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (saddle bags, locks, toolkit)	
the boat ride BF between Cap-Ferret and Arcachon with bikes	
a guided visit of an oyster museum	
a road book with maps and descriptions of the routes and tourist informations	
local visitors' taxes	
24h/24 hotline	
High season extra (*)	75 €/pers
Extra for a single room	55 €/night
Halfboard	33 €/dinner
Extra night in Arcachon	80 €/pers

Options

Discount if you ride your own bicycle	-40 €/pers
Extra for an e-bike	+57 €/pers
(*) High season :	
from 01.07.2021 to 01.09.2021	

The package doesn't include:
the journey to the tour location

the drinks
the meals which are not included
the entrance fee to sites
insurances (optional)

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