



Trip description

Cycling Northern Corsica from Bastia to Calvi

With this bike tour you discover Cap Corse and the west coast up to Calvi Bay. You cycle on the most beautiful Corsican roads and admire the landscapes that change over the stages.



Destination	France
Location	Corse
Duration	7 days
Difficulty Level	Challenging
Validity	From March 15 to October 15
Minimum age	14 years
Reference	CO0702

Type of stay
itinerant trip



Itinerary



Bike tour not available in July and August.

Discover the Cap Corse and part of the west coast by cycling on the most beautiful roads of Corsica. You start your journey in Bastia and then cycle along the Cap Corse to discover its varied coastal landscapes, more developed and accessible on the east coast and more wild and rugged on the west coast. On your way you cross Macinaggio and its marina, Centuri and its lobster fishing port, Nonza and its black pebble beach before reaching the seaside resort of Saint-Florent. After a well-deserved rest day, you take the road through the majestic Desert des Agriates to reach the hilltop village of Monticello from which you will have a breathtaking view of Ile Rousse. Finally, after visiting some typical Corsican villages, you cycle down to the sea and Calvi.

Day 1

Arrival in Bastia

Welcome to Bastia, capital of northern Corsica! You will be charmed by this colorful and lively city. Take the time to stroll into the narrow streets of the Genoese Citadel and enjoy a coffee on the quays of the Old Port.

Day 2

Bastia - Centuri

Bike
55km

Altitude
 ±560m

Leave Bastia and discover Cap Corse along a beautiful coastal road. We advise you to stop for a few moments in Erbalunga, a beautiful little fishing village admired by painters. Continue your journey north along the coast. Enjoy the scenic views over the Mediterranean Sea and stop for a few moments in Macinaggio and its charming marina.

Then, you cycle up to the mill of Mattei. On your way, do not miss a stop at the Rogliano point of view from which you can enjoy a breathtaking view of the tip of Cap Corse and the island of Giraglia. Then you continue on the west coast of Cap Corse, much more hilly and winding than the east coast. Here the landscapes are wilder, the steep cliffs fall into the water offering a breathtaking scenery! Your day ends in Centuri, a charming little fishing port famous for its lobsters and very popular with celebrities in summer.

Day 3

Centuri - Saint-Florent

Bike
58km

Altitude
 ±500m

Continue your way south along the Gulf of Saint-Florent. You reach Nonza and its large and beautiful black pebble beach bordering the turquoise sea. The village on the mountainside overlooks the beach with its beautiful Paoline tower. Then, the landscapes begin to change and give way to limestone mountains and vineyards. You end your day at Saint-Florent, a charming little harbor surrounded by the mountains of Cap Corse and nicknamed "the Corsican Saint-Tropez". Enjoy your evening to stroll in the lively streets of the citadel.

Day 4

Saint-Florent - Monticello

Bike
48/69/80km

Altitude
 ±1530m

Leave Saint-Florent and start cycling through the Desert des Agriates, an amazing mountainous area with untouched nature. The Agriates extend over 40km of maquis and coasts with rugged relief, it is the largest natural and ecological site of the Corsican littoral. From village to village you cross this stunning desert and get close again to the sea. Your stage ends at the hilltop village of Monticello from where you can admire a beautiful sunset on Ile Rousse.

Day 5

Monticello - Calvi

Bike
45km

Altitude
 ±580m

You continue cycling on the hills and cross the charming villages of La Balagne region : Santa-Reparata-Di-Balagna, Pigna and Sant'Antonino. Stroll on the pretty places where meet the old ones, admire the fountains and the wash-houses, vestiges of the rural heritage and do not hesitate to push the door of the workshops where the local craftsmen will be delighted to share with you their ancestral know-how.

Then, a beautiful descent in the middle of the maquis and olive groves will take you to the sea. Finally, Calvi welcomes you in the heart of its bay overlooked by the old citadel. A

short walk along its charming harbor will complete this beautiful cycling day.

Day 6

Calvi

Bike
79km

Altitude
±1029m

Free day in the splendid city of Calvi. You have the possibility of discovering the surroundings of the city (beach, discovery of the medieval city) or otherwise going to Galéria thanks to a loop of 79 km.

Day 7

Departure from Calvi

After breakfast, enjoy a last stroll in Calvi before leaving.

Accommodation

Category B

You stay in *** hotels where you will be hosted with a warm welcome. All properties have been selected for their cleanliness, style and friendliness of the staff. Breakfast is included.



** Example of the type of accommodation*

Practical information

To get to departure point:

By plane: direct flight to Bastia from Paris, Lyon, Bordeaux, Nantes, Lille, Marseille and Bruxelles. Then, take a shuttle to Bastia city center (25min) or private transfer (surcharge).

By ferry: ferry crossing from Marseille (13h), Toulon (9h) or Nice (5h30).

Departure from Calvi :

By plane: direct flight from Calvi to Paris, Lyon, Nice, Marseille, Bruxelles and Geneva.

By train: direct train to Bastia (3h).

By ferry: ferry crossing from Bastia to Marseille (13h), Toulon (9h) or Nice (5h30).

Private transfer possible to Calvi airport or Bastia (surcharge).

Meeting time:

Please give us your arrival time so that we can organize the delivery of bicycles.

Price description

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Category B	1349 €/pers
Double room fare	
6 nights in *** or **** hotels	
6 breakfasts	
7-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (saddle bags, locks, toolkit)	
the delivery and return of the bike	
the luggage transport from one lodging to the other	
the access to a mobile app including the roadbook and the practical and tourist information	
local visitors' taxes	
7d/7 hotline	
(*) Middle season	70 €/pers
(*) High season	160 €/pers
Single occupancy extra (**)	on request
Extra night in Bastia	93 €/pers
Extra night in Calvi	93 €/pers
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Option	
Electric bike	50 €/pers
Road bike	on request
Transfer from airport to Bastia	40 €/pers

Transfer from Calvi to airport

40 €/pers

Transfer from Calvi to Bastia

230 €/pers

(*) Middle season :

From 01.06 to 30.06.2023

From 01.09 to 30.09.2023

High season :

From 01.07 to 31.08.2023

(**) These prices are guaranteed for 2 participants minimum.

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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