



Trip description

Along the Danube river from Passau to Vienna

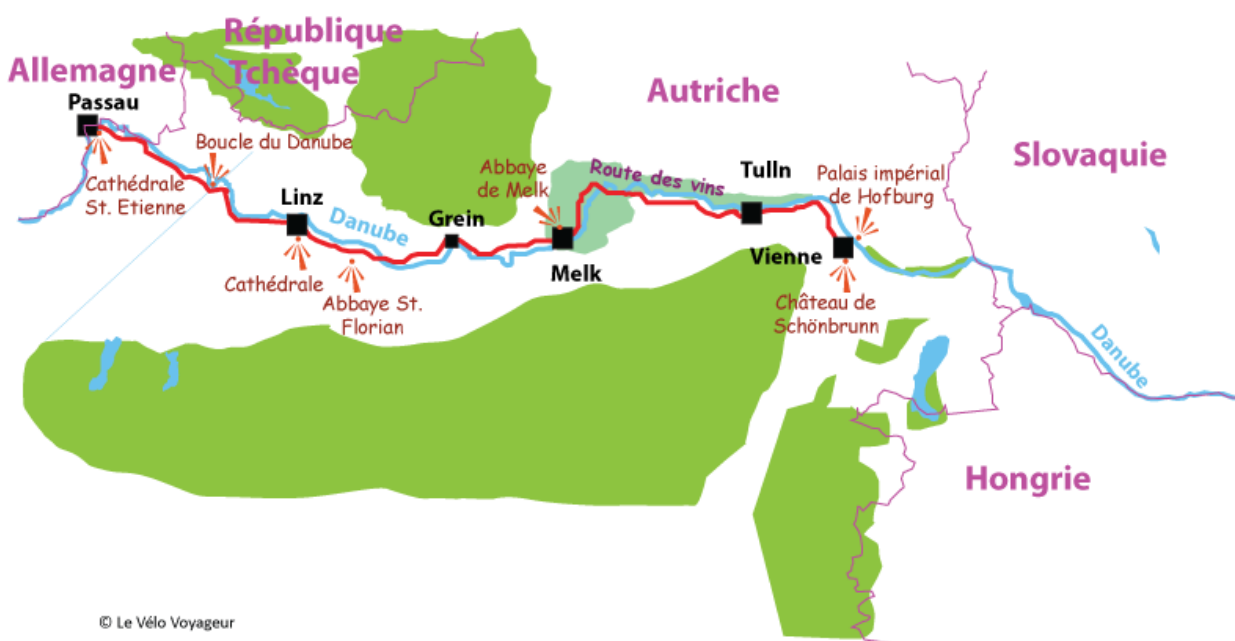


Destination	Europe
Location	Autriche
Duration	8 days
Difficulty Level	Moderate
Validity	From 01.04 to 07.10.2023
Minimum age	8 years old
Reference	D0801

Type of stay
itinerant trip



Itinerary



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This iconic segment of the Danube by bike between Passau in Germany and Vienna, the capital of Austria, takes you through lush green countryside, the rich wine valley of the Wachau and places steeped in history such as the baroque Melk Abbey in the footsteps of Europe's mighty kings and emperors, all of whom followed the paths of the beautiful blue Danube. The banks of this mythical river have been transformed into one of the most beautiful bicycle paths in Europe. You follow the meandering blue river, admire the beautiful landscapes of an unspoiled nature and discover the

rich historical merchant cities. This route is flat on a beautiful cycle track. Only very short portions are on the road, especially at the entrance and exit of the cities. This tour is perfectly suited for families with children from 12 years old on their own bikes.

Day 1

Arrival in Passau

Arrival in this beautiful Bavarian baroque city, also known as the city of three rivers. The Danube River meets the Inn and Ilz Rivers simultaneously. You can even tell the difference between the rivers when they meet: The Danube has brown waters, the Inn green waters and the Ilz black waters. Stroll through the city, discover the majestic cathedral and its pedestrianized historical center.

Day 2

Passau - Donauschlinge area

Bike
env. 40km

You start your bike tour along the Danube, to quickly leave Germany for Austria. You will not miss to stop at the Trappist abbey of Engerzell and then continue your bike ride to Schlögen where the granite rock forces the Danube to turn around. You take the ferry to reach the other side of the Danube where you spend the night.

Day 3

Donauschlinge area - Linz

Bike
env. 50km

After the Danube loop, the river narrows and forms a bottleneck. You continue your bike ride through the green countryside and pass through the typical Austrian villages of Aschbach, Ottenheim and Wilhering to arrive in Linz, the regional capital. Stroll through the main square, framed by baroque facades and taste the famous Linzertorte.

Day 4

Linz – Grein area

Bike
env. 60km

You pass through the Machland nature reserve, home to many varieties of dragonflies and birds. You leave the banks of the Danube for a while to discover St. Florian's Abbey and Enns, the oldest town in Austria. After a stop at the market square, dominated by an imposing 60m high tower, symbol of the city, you will return to the banks of the blue river, which will lead you to the charming baroque town of Grein.

Day 5

Grein area– Wachau

Bike
env. 65km

You cross the Strudengau valley and stop a few kilometers further on in Persenbeug to admire the small town and its castle. You continue to follow the banks of the Danube to Ybbs and arrive at the formidable baroque abbey of Melk which majestically overlooks the Danube valley.

Day 6

Wachau– Traismauer/Tulln

Bike
env. 60km

The Wachau is one of the many green valleys of the Danube, known worldwide for its wine and liqueurs (especially apricot). In 2000 it was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You will pass through many small wine villages like Spitz, Weissenkirchen. You can stop to visit the ruins of the castle of Dürnstein, where Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned.

Day 7

Traismauer/Tulln - Vienne

Bike
env. 50km

On your last stage, you will cycle through the Wienerwald, the forest bordering Vienna, before arriving in the heart of the majestic Austrian capital.

Day 8

Departure from Vienna

End of the stay after breakfast. Take advantage of the day to visit some of Vienna's rich historical heritage: Schönbrunn and Sissi's residence, the imperial Hofburg Palace, the jewel of Viennese Art Nouveau known as Jugendstil at the Secession Palace... Vienna is dotted with parks, such as the Prater Park, a green oasis and haven of peace.

Accommodation

Category A

You will be accommodated in 3-star hotels or guest houses. In Passau & Linz you will be accommodated in 4-star hotels.

** Example of the type of accommodation*

Category B

You will be accommodated in 3-star and 4-star hotels.

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Price description

Category A

Double room fare

789 €/pers

7 nights in ** or *** hotels

7 breakfasts

8-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (saddle bags, locks, toolkit)

the luggage transport from one lodging to the other

a road book with maps, descriptions of the routes and a touristic leaflet.

a ferry crossing with bikes at Schlägen

a wine tasting in the Wachau Valley

local visitors' taxes

sending charge of the travel documents in France

24h/24 hotline

Middle season extra (*)

70 €/pers

High season extra (*)

160 €/pers

Halfboard (6 dinners)	190 €/pers
Extra for a single room	32 €/pers/day
Car transfer from Vienne to Passau	79 €/pers
Repatriation <u>of your own bike</u> from Vienne to Passau	29/pers/bike
Extra night in Passau	74 €/pers
Extra night in Vienna	72 €/pers

Category B

925 €/pers

Double room fare

7 nights in ** or *** hotels

7 breakfasts

8-day rental of a fully-equipped bike (saddle bags, locks, toolkit)

the luggage transport from one lodging to the other

a road book with maps, descriptions of the routes and a touristic leaflet.

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24h/24 hotline

Middle season extra (*)

70 €/pers

High season extra (*)

160 €/pers

Halfboard

220 €/pers

Extra for a single room

44 €/pers/night

Extra night in Passau

90 €/pers

Extra night in Vienna

85 €/pers

175 €/pers

Options

Extra for the rental of an electric bike

180 €/pers

Discount if you ride your own bicycle

-70 €/pers

(*) **Middle season :**

from 15.04 to 05.05.2022

from 16.09 to 29.09.2022

(*) **High season :**

• from 06.05 to 15.09.2022

Children discount (in the same room as 2 full rate participants)

0-4 year : -70%

5-11 year : -50%

12-17 year : -30%

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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