

Alpe Adria cycle path

Across the Alps from VILLACH to GRADO – sporty

The starting point of this cycling tour is Villach, situated on the edge of the Klagenfurt basin, where the rivers Drau and Gail flow together. After a few kilometres of cycling, however, it's time to say goodbye to Austria before the bike tour continues in Italy.

The Friuli Venezia Giulia region not only offers a variety of landscapes, but also invites you to a tour of a foray into the cultural diversity of the region. This mix of cultures is also reflected in the cuisine: Alpine-Austrian, Slovenian and Venetian influences characterize the gastronomic offer of the region.

Leaving the peaks of the Carnic Alps far behind you, you cycle on the south side of the Alps towards the sea and in front of you stretches the coast of the Adriatic Sea with miles of sandy beaches.

Highlights

-  Old town of Villach
-  Madonna di Lussari, Tarvis
-  Railroad path Pontebbana
-  Cathedral in the old town of Gemona
-  Gemona del Friuli
-  Piazza della Libertà, Udine
-  Basilica with baptistery, archaeological sites - UNESCO World Heritage Site, Aquileia
-  Sunny island and historic fishing town Grado

Route characteristics

-  Routing on mostly well-maintained bike paths and low-traffic side roads

Level of difficulty

Touring bicycle 

Pedelec/E-Bike 

Also suitable for families with children/teenagers with an affinity for bikes

Arrival | Travel time | Type of trip

-  Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday from April 22nd to September 30th 2026
-  5 days | 4 nights (incl. days of arrival and departure)
-  Stretch trip - approx. 200 cycling kilometres
-  Individual cycling trip
-  From 2 persons (single travellers on application)
-  Non schedule arrival dates: minimum of 5 persons upon request

Itinerary

Day 1: Individual journey to Villach

Welcome to Villach, an important hub in the Alpe Adria region, which is known for its thermal springs and warm bathing lakes in alpine surroundings. It's popular beyond the borders.

Day 2: Villach – Malborghetto and surroundings (approx. 50 km)

Following the River Gail, you leave Villach behind you and soon say goodbye to Austria and hello to Italy. and welcome Italy. In the border triangle Italy-Austria-Slovenia stretches the Canal Valley, the center of which is the center of which is the Italian border town of Tarvisio. Austrians, Slovenians, Friulians and Italians have lived together here for centuries and all three major European language families - Germanic, Romanic and Slavic - meet directly here.

Day 3: Malborghetto and surroundings – Udine (approx. 80 km)

Through the Kanaltal valley, you can admire the beauty of the Friulian Alpine region from the saddle with its unspoiled nature and extensive forests. Located at the southern end of the Kanaltal valley and at the foothills of the Julian Alps, Gemona del Friuli is considered one of the most beautiful historical towns in Friuli villages in Friuli-Venezia Giulia. The townscape is dominated by the majestic Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta, which is certainly worth a visit. Today's stage is dominated by wine. Hills full of vines line your route and invite you to sample a drop or two. Udine, characterized by Venetian Udine, which is characterized by Venetian influences, radiates peace and tranquillity. Stroll through the city center, you can admire important late Gothic and Renaissance buildings.

Day 4: Udine – Grado (approx. 55 km)

Accompanied by the Scirocco breeze, you glide past reed landscapes and water channels and arrive in Grado, a historic fishing town and one of the most popular seaside resorts on the Adriatic.

Day 5: Individual departure or extension

Included Services | Price per Person | Extras

Included services

- ✓ Overnight stays including breakfast in guesthouses and hotels of the 3- and 4-star category
- ✓ Videobriefing
- ✓ Luggage transport from accommodation to accommodation
- ✓ Detailed travel documents (route maps, route description, sights, important telephone numbers)
- ✓ Navigation App
- ✓ Phone service daily from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm

Price

	per person
- Accommodation in a double room * (from 22.04. & 30.09.)	Euro 499,00
- Accommodation in a double room * (from 23.04.-12.06. & 09.09.-29.09.)	Euro 599,00
- Accommodation in a double room * (from 13.06.-08.09.2025)	Euro 649,00
- Single room surcharge	Euro 199,00

Extras

- Rental of 21-gear touring bicycle	Euro 89,00
- Rental bike TOP (unisex – men's model on request)	Euro 129,00
- Rental of Pedelec/E-Bike	Euro 189,00
- Extra night in Villach in DR/B&B *	Euro 79,00
- Extra night in Villach in SR/B&B *	Euro 118,00
- Extra night in Grado in DR/B&B *	Euro 79,00
- Extra night in Grado in SR/B&B *	Euro 124,00
- Return transfer Grado-Villach (every Mon., Thurs., Fri., Sat, Sun)	Euro 79,00/person+45,00/own bike

* Any local taxes that may be due are not included and are payable locally

Not included services: everything not explicitly mentioned under the point "Included services" (e.g.: Travel to the return at the end of the tour; drinks, tourist tax and all extras; lunch, dinner; entrance fees not mentioned; bicycle rental and travel insurance).