

Via Claudia Augusta

Across the Alps from FÜSSEN to MERANO – classic

On Roman footsteps!

Your cycling tour starts along the antique route of the *Via Claudia Augusta* straight through Forggensee lake. After a short intermezzo with King Ludwig's visions in his castle of Neuschwanstein your cycle trip proceeds past the Füssener Lechfall, then the cycle path continues along river Lech into the Tyrolean Alps. From Reutte an organised shuttle-transfer takes you to Fernsteinsee Castle and the cycle path takes you through the picturesque Gurgltal (Gurgl Valley) and into the Upper Inn Valley. Another shuttle-transfer takes you from Landeck to Nauders on the Reschenpass. From Reschensee in South Tyrol you take the Adige Cycle Path, along the playful river, through the lush fruit growing landscapes of the sun-drenched Vinschgau valley to the spa town of Merano.

Highlights

- 🕒 Roman Villa Rustica, Schwangau by Füssen
- 🕒 King Ludwig's fairy-tale castles of Neuschwanstein and Hohenschwangau, Füssen/Schwangau
- 🕒 Sunken church tower of Altgraun (14th century), Reschenstausee water reservoir
- 🕒 Botanical gardens of castle Trauttmansdorff, Merano

Route characteristics

- 🛣 Mostly paved/asphalted bike paths, farm roads, quiet side roads and local thoroughfares
- 🛣 Transfer across the toughest ascents across Fernpass (Reutte - Fernsteinsee lake) and Reschenpass (Landeck - Nauders)
- 🛣 From Reschenstausee water reservoir to Merano are some longer descents

Level of difficulty

Touring bicycle 

Pedelec/E-Bike 

Suitable for families with children from the age of approx. 12 years (appropriate cycling enthusiasm required)

Arrival | Travel time | Type of trip

- Every Tuesday and Sunday from May 1st to September 25th 2026
Additionally every Saturday between June 15th and August 15th 2026
- 5 days | 4 nights (incl. days of arrival and departure)
- Stretch trip - approx. 190 cycling kilometres
- Individual cycling trip
- From 2 persons (single travellers on application)

Itinerary

Day 1: Individual journey to Füssen

King Ludwig II. and his fairy-tale castle welcome you in Füssen.

Day 2: Füssen/Schwangau – Imst (approx. 40 km | without transfer approx. 70 km)

Today the tour takes us from Füssen to Reutte. From there our transfer brings you across Fern Pass in a comfortable way. From Fernstein castle you cycle past Nassereith and through the picturesque Gurgltal Valley to Imst. A “beery” adventure awaits you at the microbrewery at Starkenberg castle.

Day 3: Imst – Holiday region Lago di Resia & Alta Venosta (approx. 55 km | without transfer approx. 105 km)

After a hearty breakfast you cycle from Imst to Landeck. From there we take the shuttle up to Nauders. Soon afterwards you cross the border to Italy at Reschen pass and with it the main Alpine ridge. You cycle downwards towards Malles past Reschenstausee reservoir with the sunken church tower of Altgrau, one of the most famous photo motifs of Italy. Enjoy the first evening on South Tyrolean soil and enjoy strolling through the old alleyways of the town.

Day 4: Holiday region Lago di Resia & Alta Venosta – Merano (approx. 65 km)

Today you cross the entire Val Venosta. The route leads from an altitude of more than 1,000m down to the town of Merano that is located at an altitude of 350m. Most of the route follows the course of River Adige. From your starting place this pleasant cycling stretch leads down to the smallest town of the Alps, the town of Glurns. Past the marble town of Laas you get to Naturns and eventually – past the impressive Kastellbell castle – to the spa town of Merano. Enjoy an evening walk through town along the “Passer” promenade surrounded by subtropical flora.

Day 5: Individual Return Journey or Extension

Included Services | Price per Person | Extras

Included services

- ✓ 4 Overnight stays including large breakfast buffet in hotels of the 3-star category *
- ✓ Luggage transport from hotel to hotel
- ✓ Shuttle transfer from Reutte to Fernsteinsee lake and from Landeck to Nauders
- ✓ Extensive travel papers | INNTOUR Navigation app | GPS-data available via Navigation App
- ✓ Phone service daily from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm

Price	per person
- Accommodation in a double room (arrival from May 1 st)	Euro 829,00
- Accommodation in a double room (arrival from May 15 th)	Euro 869,00
- Accommodation in a double room (arrival from July 15 th)	Euro 899,00
- Single room surcharge	Euro 219,00

Locally varying charges (local taxes, etc.) - if applicable - are not included in the tour price; payable on site

Extras	per person
- Rental touring bicycle classic	Euro 95,00
- Rental touring bicycle superior	Euro 165,00
- Rental of Pedelec/E-Bike	Euro 240,00
- Extra night in Füssen in DR/B&B	Euro 112,00
- Extra night in Füssen in SR/B&B	Euro 179,00
- Extra night in Merano in DR/B&B	Euro 119,00
- Extra night in Merano in SR/B&B	Euro 155,00
- Return transfer Merano-Füssen incl. bicycle (every Tues, Thurs, Sun)	Euro 180,00

* Restaurant recommendations for dinner in all stage towns can be found in the travel information after booking