



FROM ITALY OVER SLOVENIA TO CROATIA

self-guided tour
5 days / 4 nights



approx. 110 to 140 km



DESCRIPTION

Start of this bicycle tour is Trieste, the former Habsburger seaport seated at the foothills of the karst. During the Roman Empire Trieste became a busy and rich port. After a few kilometres you leave Italy and cycle to Slovenia and Croatia. This sunny peninsula in the Mediterranean Sea is characterised by little picturesque fisher villages, small towns on the karst hills, vineyards and valleys. Let yourself be surprised by the charms of a landscape rich in contrasts and the various colours of Istria.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ROUTE

The bicycle route through Istria runs slightly hilly. This cycling tour is suitable for children from the age of 14, and ideal in connection with our bicycle tours:

“From the Dolomites to Trieste” and

“Alpe-Adria-Cycle Path – from Villach to Trieste”.

A DAY BY DAY ACCOUNT OF THE ROUTE

DAY 1: Arrival to Trieste

Individual arrival at the hotel in Trieste.

DAY 2: Trieste – Piran/Portorôz (approx. 35 km or approx. 65 km, depending on the chosen option)

After a few kilometres you say goodbye to Italy. In Slovenia you cycle mostly on cycling paths through famous bathing resorts like Koper (Capodistria) and Izola (Isola d'Istria) to Piran (Pirano) or Portorož (Portorose), a spa town on the Slovenian Riviera. The longer version leads through „Val Rosandra“ in the back country.

DAY 3: Piran/Portorôz – Umag (approx. 35 km)

You pass the salt gardens of Sečovlje, where they produce sea salt on huge areas through natural evaporation, and afterwards you cross the border. You cycle through the Croatian part of Istria, the biggest peninsula of the Adria, slightly hilly to Umag, which historic centre was built on the relics of a Roman colony. Umag is well-known also for the ATP tournament – „Croatia Open“, held every year. Enjoy a sightseeing tour in the evening through the medieval town with its narrow alleys and the beautiful city tower.

DAY 4: Umag – Porec (approx. 40 km)

From Umag you cycle - slightly hilly - to Novigrad or Cittanova. This medieval town surrounded by a battlement wall is seated on the water mouth of Mirna. Then you cycle to Poreč, the most important coastal city on Istria's west coast. We suggest visiting the Euphrasian Basilica, which is part of the UNESCO World Heritage.

DAY 5: Departure

Individual departure or possibility to extend your stay.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- **Classification of the cycle-tour:** Self-guided tour
- **Duration:** 5 days / 4 nights
- **Distance:** Approx. 110 - 140 km
- **Starting point:** Trieste
- **Arrival:**
By car: Over the Tauern motorway to Villach and over the border crossing Arnoldstein to Udine and Trieste
By train: Over Salzburg and Villach to Trieste (Trieste centrale). Timetable available on: www.deutschebahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.trenitalia.com.
By plane: Low Cost flights to Ronchi dei Legionari airport or Pula. Good connections with airport shuttle or train from Ronchi dei Legionari airport to Trieste. Timetable available on: www.trenitalia.com.
- **Accommodation:** Hotels 3*** and/or 4**** category.
Attention: Tourist tax – if requested – has to be paid on the spot.
- **Parking:** Different public garages – on request. No pre-order possible.
- **Transfer:** Every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday transfer by minibus from Porec to Trieste at a rate of € 45.00 per person (bicycle incl.) – to be booked and paid in advance.
- **Rental bikes:**
21-gears women's or men's bicycle
E-bike (unisex bike, 500 W battery, range up to 100 km)

INCLUDED SERVICES; SELF-GUIDED TOUR:

- Accommodation in hotels 3*** and/or 4**** category
- Breakfast buffet or full breakfast
- Personal tour information
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, route description, places to visit, important telephone numbers)
- Telephone service hotline for the entire tour

NON INCLUDED SERVICES

- Arrival to the starting point of the tour
- Departure at the end of the tour
- Drinks, tourist tax and all extras
- Lunch, Dinner
- Not mentioned entries
- Rental bikes and travel insurance
- All not expressly mentioned under the item „Included services“

STARTING DATES 2020

ARRIVAL	every Wednesday and Saturday 04/04/2020 (first available date) to 07/11/2020 (last available date).
NO DEPARTURE POSSIBLE	no start possible from 01/08/2020 to 22/08/2020 (incl.)
NON SCHEDULE ARRIVAL DATES	minimum of 5 persons upon request!

PRICES 2020

SELF-GUIDED TOUR

Package price per person in a double room incl. breakfast	€ 389.00
Single room surcharge, per person	€ 90.00
High season* surcharge, per person	€ 48.00

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Rental Bike	€ 65.00
E-Bike	€ 120.00

EXTRA NIGHTS IN TRIESTE

Per person and night in double room incl. breakfast	€ 79.00
Single room surcharge, per night	€ 35.00

EXTRA NIGHTS IN POREC

Per person and night in a double room incl. breakfast	€ 69.00
Single room surcharge, per night	€ 35.00

*High season: arrival dates from 20/06/2020 to 12/09/2020 (incl.)

We suggest travel insurance.

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