

Loire Valley Deluxe 8 days

Its romantic castles, churches, and famous gardens make the Loire Valley a unique charming area, where harmony between nature and architecture will make for an unforgettable trip. The Kings of France chose this area to live and left their historical imprint. Your route will take you not only along the longest river of France with its wild sides, but also among the famous vineyards of Anjou, picturesque villages, and the valleys of the Indre and Cher.

Day 1 Tours

Departure from Tours, Capital of Touraine. Before beginning your cycling tour, do not forget to visit this beautiful city with its gothic cathedral, and old quarters.

Day 2 Tours – Montsoreau 65 km

You will leave the city along the riverside of the Loire. A few kilometres further, you arrive at the famous gardens of Villandry Castle. From the little roads parallel to the Loire, you have a nice view of the wilder sides of the Loire River. Passing among fields you will arrive at Sleeping Beauty's castle, in Ussé. You then cycle up to Montsoreau.

3 Montsoreau Saumur-Fontevraud - Montsoreau

33 km

Today, you will cycle from Montsoreau, by Saumur, to Fontevraud, one of the largest abbeys in France, which was built during the 12th century under the protection of the Plantagenets' family. Henry the 2nd, Richard the Lionheart as well as Aliénor from Aquitaine are buried here. On your way back to Montsoreau, you will cycle among the vineyards of Anjou.

Day 4 Montsoreau - Chinon - Azay-le-Rideau 57 km

From Chinon to Azay le Rideau, you will cycle through nice forests. On your arrival in Azay le Rideau you will be struck by the charms of the Indre Valley: romantic riversides, beautiful houses made of stone, and the amazing castle described as a jewel by the french writer Honoré de Balzac.

Day 5 Azay-le-Rideau - Chenonceaux

You will leave the Indre Valley in order to follow the Cher Valley. Passing through Montbazon, and Bléré, nice little towns. Followed by the famous castle of Chenonceau called « Château des Dames ». Maybe behind a door or during a walk in the magnificent gardens you will meet the ghosts of Catherine de Medicis or Diane de Poitiers.

Day 6 Chenonceaux - Amboise 18 km

Today's route will lead you to the royal castle of Amboise. In Amboise, do not miss the visit of Clos Lucé, famous house where Leonardo da Vinci spent the last years of his life



Day 7 Amboise - Tours

The last cycling day will be unforgettable ride. You will follow the banks of the fascinating river Loire back to Tours. On your way back, you will see troglodyte houses and the beautiful cathedral of Tours.

Day 8

Your cycling trip in Loire Valley is unfortunately finished but you will bring back home a complete range of great memories...

Self - Guided Cycling Trip 8 days / 7 nights

Grade:

Partly on cycle paths and little side routes, always asphalted, between the valleys slight

Arrival: Fri, Sat, Sun 20.03. - 01.11.2020

Price per person	Euro
With 2 participants Double Room B&B Double Room HB	1430,00 1813,00
With 4 participants Double Room B&B Double Room HB	1305,00 1688,00
Bike Rental 21-Gear-Tourbike E-Bike (250 € Deposit)	90,00 180,00

Service included:

- √ 6 nights in 4* star hotels in room with private facilities
- 1 nights in 3* star charm hotels in superior room with private facilities
- Daily breakfast
- 4-course dinner (Option)
- Personal welcome meeting
- luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Rout book, maps and information material
- 24 h Service Hotline
- **GPS-Tracks** on demand



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