

GERMANY, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND

Highlights

Cycling on cycling paths along the Rhine, Boat trip on the Rhine Falls, Schattenburg, Fortress Munot, Appenzel



THREE LAKES, FOUR COUNTRIES

This easy cycling tour along the Swiss lakes spans from the Mediterranean flair of Lake Constance to the Churfirsten Mountains. You will experience the Schaffhausen Rhine Falls on an exciting boat trip, get to know the cosmopolitan city of Zurich on the lake of the same name and cross Lake Walensee at the foot of the Churfirsten Mountains. In the Rhine Valley you will be treated to excellent wines and finally you will take a train to the Appenzeller Region where a picturesque landscape awaits you. You will spend the end of your trip on the beautiful Lake Constance.

DIFFICULTY ●○○○	KM 310/ 325	LENGTH 8 days 9 nights	ARRIVAL Saturdays* 14.04. - 19.10.2024
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Day 1 Constance

You start your tour in Constance, Lake Constance's biggest town. 600 years ago this was where the Council of Constance took place, the only council to elect a pope that was held north of the Alps. The Rhine leaves Lake Constance here and marks kilometer 0 on its way to the North Sea. Only a few minutes by foot from the medieval town centre is the Swiss town of Kreuzlingen with its lively harbour.



Day 5 Lachen - Vaduz ca. 60 km + Boat trip

Today you will cycle along the Linth Canal, the man-made canal between Lake Zurich and Walensee, and come to the pretty town of Weesen. Here you will board a boat which will take you to the other end of the lake to Walenstadt. The Lake is 150 m deep and towered over by the 1800 m high Churfirsten Mountains – it's perfect for swimming. After a few kilometres you reach the Alpenrhein valley and you soon arrive in the Principality of Liechtenstein, where you spend the night.

Day 6 Vaduz - St. Gallen ca. 60 km + Train ride

Many impressive castles line this valley. The medieval town of Feldkirch, in Austria, is at the end of the Ill valley. Schattenburg castle looms over the town. It holds a significant historic collection of weapons and is one of the best preserved castle estates in Central Europe.

Day 2 Constance - Schaffhausen ca. 50 km

Your bike tour takes you out of Constance, off through picturesque Swiss fishing villages. Along the waterside, the path takes you to Stein am Rhein with its beautiful fresco-decorated, medieval houses. Switching several times between Germany and Switzerland you reach the canton's capital, Schaffhausen. The town whose citizens competed in building numerous gables on their houses, is overlooked by Munot fort.



Day 3 Schaffhausen - Zurich ca. 55 km + Train ride or 70 km

The first highlight of your trip are the Rhine Falls, the largest waterfall in Europe, which you will approach by boat. The valley of the Glatt will lead you on to Zurich. Modernity and tradition unite in this fascinating cosmopolitan Swiss city.

Day 4 Zürich - Lachen ca. 45 km

Today you will cycle along the northern banks of Lake Zurich, which is also known locally as the Gold Coast, until you come to Rapperswil with its old castle. From there you cross over to the other side of the lake on a dam. From there it won't be long until you reach the small town of Lachen. Here you can visit the Baroque Church Heilig Kreuz.

Day 8 Departure

Enjoy the downhill stretch to Lake Constance and your arrival near Arbon. Next, cycle along the lake through cultivated little Swiss villages and orchards, back to Constance. Finally, there should still be time for a visit to Rosgartenmuseum or a relaxed wander through the old quarter of Constance.

SELF-GUIDED CYCLING TOUR



* Start possible every day from 01.06 to 28.09.2024

ROUTE CHARACTERISTICS

Mostly level ground along paved cycle paths and quiet side roads. Some sections are a little hilly.

SERVICE INCLUDED

- 7 nights in 3-star-hotels
- Daily breakfast
- Boat trip to the Rhine Falls rock
- Entrance to Rosgarten museum Constance, 1 coffee included
- Boat trip Weesen - Walenstadt incl. bike
- Train ride Altstätten - Gais incl. bike
- Daily luggage transfer, max 20 kg/luggage
- Itinerary on our app
- Route book, maps and information material
- 7/7 Service Hotline

PER PERSON

ROOM	
with B&B DBL / SGL	1099 €* / 1448 €*
NUITS SUPPL	
Constance DBLE / SGL	75 € / 115 €
Zurich DBLE / SGL	99 € / 149 €
BIKE RENTAL	
27-Gear Hybrid bike	99 €
E-bike	259 €
Childrens bike	49 €
*Season Extra charge	
20.04. - 30.04., 15.09. - 05.10.	150 €
01.05. - 06.05., 12.05. - 14.05., 20.05. - 25.05., 02.06. - 29.06., 18.08. - 14.09.	300 €
07.05. - 11.05., 15.05. - 19.05., 26.05. - 01.06., 30.06. - 17.08.	400 €

City tax is not included and has to be paid on the spot.