

## THE HIGHLIGHTS OF NORMANDY BY BIKE

Cider, Calavdos and Camembert. Normandy is known for its gastronomical highlights but also for its breath-taking nature, its pictoresque villages and its warm hospitality. The broad and interessting histroy as well as the liviely cities and the typical arcitecture with its thatched houses are making this cycling trip unforgettable.



## Day 1 Arrival

Arrival in Rouen. Time to visit the city with its magnificent cathedral, its picturesque old town and the interesting memorial of Jeanne D'Arc.

# Day 2 Rouen - Caudebec-en-Caux 48 km

Wonderful trip on the banks of the Seine (after the first 10 km out of the city). You pass next to typical Norman farmhouses. Crossing the Seine at a height of 50 meters over the Brotonne Bridge offers a beautiful view before reaching Caudebec.



## Day 3 Caudebec - Honfleur 62 km

From Caudebec the journey leads back to the Brotonne Bridge, then through forests, meadows and picturesque villages with timbered houses. Enjoy the view of the Seine and impressive passages with container ships until you reach the artist town Honfleur.

# Day 4 Honfleur - Ouistreham 51 km

Your leave Honfleur, favourite place of painters in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, to cycle along the "flower coast" to the elegant seaside resorts of Trouville and Deauville. The route continues to Ouistreham. In the evening you can enjoy the sunset from the beach, which is wonderfully located directly on the English Channel.



## Day 5 Ouistreham - Bayeux 56 km

You leave the coast for a short moment before continuing to Bayeux. Bayeux impresses with its almost preserved city structure. One of the most beautiful cathedrals in Normandy is waiting for you! The tanners' quarter are also worth visiting. A must see is the Bayeux Tapestry, an 1000 year old embroidered cloth which describes the Norman conquest of England in 1066.

## Day 6 Bayeux - Landing beaches -Caen 66 km

Today's ride is much influenced by the history of WW II. The landing beaches or beaches of D-Day, where the Allies landed in 1944 are still important witnesses of the past. The German military cemetery La Cambe is particularly impressive. An emotional cycling day, partly along the coast and sometimes in the slightly hilly hinterland. You will reach Caen in the evening.

# Day 7 Caen - Lisieux 54 km

In Caen you shouldn't miss a visit of the former castle complex that Wilhelm the Conqueror had built, as well as the Abbaye des Hommes and the old town, before you cycle to Lisieux, through wonderful green meadows. This was the hometown of Saint Therese. You might know the delicious cheese of Lisieux?

# Day 8 Departure

It is time to say goodbye. Tour cycling holiday is unfortunately over. Transfer back to Rouen after breakfast.

#### SELF-GUIDED CYCLING TOUR



## ROUTE CHARACTERISTICS

Partly on cycle paths, quiet side streets, always asphalted, flat to slightly ascending

#### SERVICES INCLUDED

- 1 night in a 4-star-hotel 4 nights in 3-star-hotels 2 nights in 2-star-hotels
- Daily breakfas
- Welcome talk
- Daily luggage transfer
- Itinerary on our ap
- Route book, maps and information materia
- Transfer from Lisieux to Rouen
- 7/7 Service Hotline

#### PER PERSON

CHAMBRE	
with B&B DBL / SGL	1399€* / 1864€*
BIKE RENTAL	
21/27-Gear Hybrid bike E-Bike (250€ deposit)	100€ 200€
*in a group of 4 or more	100 5

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

## POSSIBLE OPTIONS

Rental of helmets, phone holder

