

Kat's Great Adventures

Italy - From the Dolomites to Venice Bicycle Tour 2022
Self-Guided Tour
8 Days / 7 Nights



From the northeastern Dolomites, you will cycle through the Höhlensteintal Valley below the famous Drei Zinnen (Three Peaks) to the Olympic city of Cortina d'Ampezzo. On the railway line of the former Dolomite Railway, you will continue to Pieve di Cadore – the birthplace of the famous Tizian. The path continues through the valley of the ice cream makers (“Gelati”) manufacturers in the Dolomite town of Belluno. Through the foothills, the route first goes to Feltre and then on to Bassano del Grappa. From here you will slowly reach the plain. After a short detour to Asolo, the “city of a hundred horizons”, the fashion city of Treviso awaits you. Along the river Sile you cycle towards the Serenissima - the lagoon city of Venice is a magnificent final destination for your exploration of northern Italy.

Itinerary Day to Day

Day 1: Arrival in Hochpustertal (Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco)

Individual arrival at the hotel in Hochpustertal. Free, unguarded public car park near the hotel.



Day 2: Niederdorf/Villabassa or Toblach/Dobbiaco – Cortina d'Ampezzo 30 – 35 km

From Villabassa/Dobbiaco you start on the bike path into the Höhlenstein Valley, past Lake Toblach and the War cemetery. This area was used as the front during the First World War. You carry on past Lake Dürrensee (on the left you can see the famous Drei Zinnen/Three Peaks); the cycle path ascends slightly before you get to the border – Gemärk/Cimabanche - of the region South Tyrol and the region of the Veneto. From here you cycle towards the south to Cortina d'Ampezzo.

Day 3: Cortina d'Ampezzo – Belluno 75 km

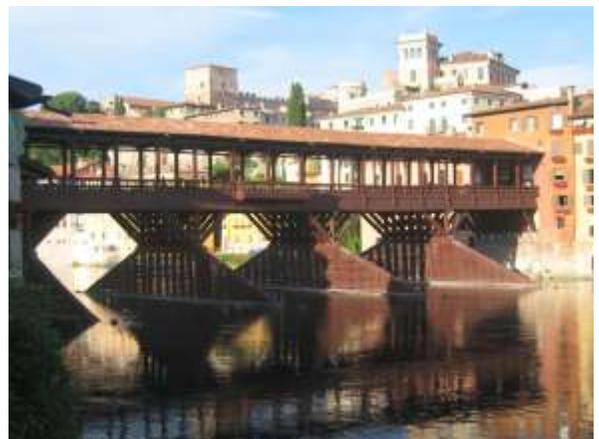
Today the path is going slightly downwards, for the most part on the old railway track; you will see the Sorapis on the left and located on the right the Cinque Torri (Five Towers). You continue on to the south through the Boite Valley towards Pieve/Calalzo di Cadore. From here the new cycling path takes you to Longarone. This town was completely rebuilt in 1963 after a landslide filled the dam above the village and caused a flood. From Longarone the cycle path is slightly hilly until you reach Belluno.

Day 4: Belluno - Feltre 40 km

From Belluno, the small capital of this province, the tour follows tree lined avenues and hilly landscapes until the end of the day in Feltre. During the day you come along small and scenic villages. In the North you see the magnificent southern Dolomites, your companion for the first stages.

Day 5: Feltre – Bassano del Grappa 55 km

The first kilometers you cycle easily before you descend to the Brenta Valley. Where the river Brenta joins the plains, lies the town of Bassano del Grappa. The name of the town comes from Mount "Monte" Grappa. Upon arrival you can enjoy a well-earned "Grappa". There are many places of interest to visit in the town such as San Francesco, the "Museo Civico" (museum) or the Piazza della Libertà.



Day 6: Bassano del Grappa – Treviso 55 km

On leaving the Dolomitic Alps, you occasionally see various villas designed by the renowned architect Palladio. The town of Asolo is ideal for a rest before continuing along to the plains to Treviso, the town of the water striders. Along the canals there are many wonderful houses and shops to admire. This is a center for Italian fashion, especially shoes and famous labels like Benetton.

Day 7: Treviso – Venice mainland/Mestre 45 km

Following the River Sile, you cycle towards the Adriatic Sea straight to Venice (mainland) where the impressive “Serenissima” can be admired.

Day 8: Departure

Individual departure or extension of your stay



Route



Technical Characteristics:

Route Profile: Easy. The first two days you mainly follow the old Dolomites railway track. From the third day, the tour encounters slight ascents and descents on quiet side roads through idyllic landscape and typical Italian villages until reaching the plains on the last day. The tour is suitable for children over 14 years.

Distance: 300 km

Travel Season: Departures Wednesdays and Saturdays from April 30 - October 1, 2022

Season 1: April 30 and October 1

Season 2: May 1 - June 17 and September 12 – September 30

Season 3: June 18 – September 11



Price per Person:

Double Occupancy B&B Season 1	€ 595.00
Double Occupancy B&B Season 2	€ 729.00
Double Occupancy B&B Season 3	€ 819.00
Surcharge Single Occupancy	€ 169.00
Rental Bike (21 gear)	€ 89.00
Rental TOP bike (21 gear)	€ 129.00
Rental Electric Bike	€ 189.00
Extra Nights Villabassa/Dobbiaco Double Occupancy B&B Season 1 + 2	€ 59.00
Extra Nights Villabassa/Dobbiaco Double Occupancy B&B Season 3	€ 79.00
Extra Nights Villabassa/Dobbiaco Single Occupancy B&B Season 1 + 2	€ 76.00
Extra Nights Villabassa/Dobbiaco Single Occupancy B&B Season 3	€ 96.00
Extra Nights Venice Mainland/Mestre Double Occupancy B&B	€ 69.00
Extra Nights Venice Mainland/Mestre Single Occupancy B&B	€ 91.00

Accommodation:

Hotels in 3* and 4* category

Included:

- 7 nights' accommodation
- Breakfast buffet or a full breakfast
- Personal tour information
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel
- Well planned routes
- Detailed documents (maps, route description, places to visit, important telephone numbers)
- Telephone service hotline for during the entire tour
- Navigation app, GPS data

Not Included:

- Visitor's tax payable locally
- Transfer: Return transfer every Wednesday and Saturday by shuttle bus from Venice mainland/Mestre to Toblach/Dobbiaco or Niederdorf/Villabassa at a price of € 65.00 per person (reservation and payment upon booking).

Bikes

Hybrid Bike

Mens Trekking Aluminum, with water bottle holder, Shimano Alivio/Deore 21 gear freewheel, Royal saddle, size S-XL
Women's Trekking Shimano Alivio/Deore, 21 gear freewheel, Royal saddle, step-through frame, size S-XL



TOP Bike



Aluminum frame with bottle holder, with shock absorbing forks, Shimano Deore XT 10x3 gears and Shimano oil disk XT breaks, size S-XL

Electric Bike



Step through frame, Bosch Performance Line Motor, 8 gear, range performance: approx. 200 km (using middle/constant speed)