

# Cycling Europe

**Aaaah ALSACE!**

**RELAXED CYCLING, 14 - 37km per day**  
**SELF GUIDED 8 DAYS/7NIGHTS - APPROX 132KMS, 2020**



*Alsace is known for its gastronomy, its aromatic white wines, its history, and for its half-timbered houses that look like they came out of “Hansel & Gretel”. For centuries Alsace has alternated between German and French control and the resulting mix of two cultures is a major plus for visitors. Everything in Alsace is exquisite - the food, the wine, the scenery and the way of life. On this tour the cycling is relaxed and easy, giving you time to enjoy the highlights of Alsace.*

## **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Cities of Strasbourg, Obernai & Colmar
- Alsace Wine route & its picture-book villages
- Lovely wine route cycle paths
- Visit to a Chocolate factory



**Strasbourg (Petit France)**



## ITINERARY:

### Day 1: Arrival in Strasbourg

Arrival in Strasbourg, and settle into your hotel then explore this lovely city.

### Day 2: Strasbourg –Obernai - 37 km

The canal “La Bruche” was used in the past to transport wine from the wine regions to the major town. Today the cycle path along the canal leads you from Strasbourg to Molsheim, located on the Wine Road to Obernai.

### Day 3: Obernai – Andlau - 14 km

The cycle path leads you through famous vineyards and the wine villages of Barr, Mittelbergheim and Andlau in the heart of the Alsatian vineyards. At the “Atelier de la Seigneurie” the wine growers will share their knowledge ... and hopefully a wine or two.

### Day 4: Andlau – Saint Hippolyte - 24 km

The ride between Andlau and Saint Hippolyte is short and delightful through the villages of the vineyards.

### Day 5: Saint Hippolyte– Kaysersberg - 19 km

Today, cycle to the chocolate factory of Daniel Stoeffel. Be sure to stop for a visit and tasting. Also on today's path is the museum of wine in Kientzheim.

### Day 6: Kaysersberg – Eguisheim - 20 km

Appreciate more of the wonderful atmosphere of Kaysersberg as the cycle paths leads you towards Eguisheim. The village of Eguisheim was voted favourite village of the French in 2013.

### Day 7: Eguisheim - Colmar - 18 km

A short stage today allows you time to explore the old town of Colmar. “Little Venice” is a picturesque area in the heart of the old city through which flows a quiet river called the Lauch. The best way to experience this area is on a flat-bottomed boat drifting through this lovely, authentic landscape. You will be charmed by this authentic perspective of Colmar.

### Day 8: Colmar – Strasbourg

Arrangements end after breakfast. Leave your bikes at the hotel and return by train to Strasbourg (train ticket included).



## TERRAIN/GRADE:

### Level 1: Easy

You ride on cycle paths and minor agricultural tar-sealed roads, or secondary roads with little traffic. Cycling is partly in vineyards and mostly flat. Days 4 & 5 are a little bit hilly.

## 2020 SCHEDULE:

**Start any day:** From 4 April - 10 October 2020 (subject to hotel availability)



Obernai

**ACCOMMODATION: (Choice of 2 Grades)**

Category A: 7 nights in 3 & 4 Star Hotels

Category B: 7 nights in 3 Star hotels

**2020 COST PER PERSON IN EUROS, Double/Twin room including breakfast**

	<b>Cat A:</b>	<b>Cat. B</b>
Low season: 04 - 24 Apr, & 26 Sept - 10 Oct	€899	€769
Mid season: 25 April – 29 May & 05 - 25 Sept	€939	€799
High season: 30 May – 04 Sep	€979	€829
Single room supplement (B & B only)	€319	€269
Half Board Supplement (7 dinners)	€215	€175
Rental bike (choice of 21 gear or 7-gear)	€ 79	
Electric Bike	€189	
Helmets (must be requested at time of booking)	€ 15	

**EXTRA NIGHTS STRASBOURG/COLMAR – cost on request**

**2020 TOUR COST INCLUDES:**

- 7 nights in comfortable hotels (breakfast included)
- Luggage transfers between tour hotels

- Cycling notes and maps with the marked route
- Tour briefing in Strasbourg Hotel except Sundays and public holidays
- GPS co-ordinates for your own GPS console - download the co-ordinates in Strasbourg
- Train ticket from Colmar to Strasbourg
- Local contact – service hotline (7 days).

### **GETTING TO STRASBOURG:**

- Train from Paris Gare L'Est is less than 3 hours
- Closest Airports: Strasbourg, Basel/Mulhouse 12 km

*Book through:*

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