



The German Danube

15 DAYS / 14 NIGHTS, APPROX. 600 KM
BOOKING CODE: DO-DP14

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ●●●●●
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The complete German Danube in two weeks

From Eur **1399,-**



Your tour

The Danube is formed by the union of the Brigach and Breg rivers near Donaueschingen. Lined by meadows and forests, Danube floodplains, high limestone cliffs and romantic towns, it makes its way to Passau, the three-river city on the border with Austria.

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Donaueschingen
Day 2	Donaueschingen – Mühlheim / Fridingen, approx. 45 / 50 km
Day 3	Fridingen – Sigmaringen, approx. 45 km
Day 4	Sigmaringen – Riedlingen, approx. 35 km
Day 5	Riedlingen – Ehingen, approx. 40 km
Day 6	Ehingen – Ulm, approx. 40 km
Day 7	Ulm – Lauingen, approx. 50 km
Day 8	Lauingen – Donauwörth, approx. 45 km
Day 9	Donauwörth – Ingolstadt, approx. 60 km
Day 10	Ingolstadt – Abensberg / Bad Gögging, approx. 40 km
Day 11	Abensberg – Regensburg, approx. 55 km + boat trip
Day 12	Regensburg – Straubing, approx. 55 km
Day 13	Straubing – Deggendorf, approx. 40 km
Day 14	Deggendorf – Passau, approx. 55 km
Day 15	Individual departure

Travel time

Season A	31.03. – 19.04.	06.10. – 19.10.	
Season B	20.04. – 30.04.	15.09. – 05.10.	
Season C	01.05. – 06.05.	02.06. – 29.06.	18.08. – 14.09.
	12.05. – 14.05.	20.05. – 25.05.	
Season D	07.05. – 11.05.	15.05. – 19.05.	26.05. – 01.06.
	30.06. – 17.08.		

Daily arrival 31.03. – 19.10.2024
The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- 14 nights with breakfast, national 3*-level
- Entrance Museum Mobile Ingolstadt
- Entrance to Sigmaringen Castle with audio guide
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Passau, max. 20 kg / piece
- Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- Boat trip Weltenburg – Kelheim incl. bike
- Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. – 08.00 p.m.)

Not included services

- City or visitors tax, if payable

Basic price per person

Doubleroom, Season A	1399,-
Doubleroom, Season B	1599,-
Doubleroom, Season C	1799,-
Doubleroom, Season D	1899,-
Price Surcharge Singleroom	499,-

Additional night prices per person

Donaueschingen DBL / BB	55,-
Donaueschingen SGL / BB	85,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec (freewheel)*	259,-
Teenager's bike*	49,-
Rental bike (8- / 27-gear)*	99,-

*including rental bike insurance

Exemplary hotel list

Donaueschingen	Hirschen Donaueschingen	https://www.hotel-zum-hirschen.de/
	Hotel Waldblick	https://bsr-hotel.de/de/waldblick/
Mühlheim / Fridingen	Hotel Sonne Fridingen	http://www.sonne-fridingen.de/
	Krone Mühlheim	http://www.gasthaus-krone-muehlheim.de/
Sigmaringen	Hotel Jägerhof Sigmaringen	https://jaegerhof-sigmaringen.de/
Riedlingen	Gudrun	https://www.hotel-riedlingen.de
	Hirsch Riedlingen	https://www.gasthaus-hirsch-riedlingen.de/
Ehingen	Ochsen Ehingen	https://www.hotel-zum-ochsen-ehingen.de/
	Adler Ehingen	https://www.adlerehingen.de
Ulm	Hotel Am Rathaus Ulm	https://www.rathausulm.de/
	Roter Löwe Ulm	https://www.hotel-roter-loewe.de/
Lauingen	Kannenkeller	https://www.kannenkeller.de/
	Drei Mohren	https://hotel-lodner.de/
Donauwörth	Donau Donauwörth	https://hoteldonau.de
	Parkhotel Donauwörth	https://www.parkhotel-donauwoerth.de/
Ingolstadt	Bauer Ingolstadt	https://www.hotel-bauer.net/
	Altstadthotel Ingolstadt	https://www.altstadthotel-ingolstadt.de/
	Arthotel Ingolstadt	https://www.arthotel-ingolstadt.de/
	Adler Ingolstadt	https://www.hotel-adler-ingolstadt.de/
Abensberg / Bad Gögging	Altstadthotel Kneitingen	https://www.hotel-kneitingen.de
	Eisvogel	https://hotel-eisvogel.de/
Regensburg	Münchner Hof	https://muenchner-hof.de/
	Bischofshof	https://www.hotel-bischofshof.de/
	Sorat Inselhotel	https://www.sorat-hotels.com/de/hotel/regensburg.html
Straubing	Theresientor	https://hotel-theresientor.de/
	Asam Straubing	https://www.hotelasam.de
Deggendorf	Höttl	https://www.hoetl.de/
	Donauhof	https://www.hotel-donauhof.de/
Passau	Residenz Passau	https://residenz-passau.de/
	Passauer Wolf Passau	https://www.hotel-passauer-wolf.de
	Atrium Passau	https://www.atrium-passau.de
	Spitzberg Passau	https://www.hotel-spitzberg.de
	Altstadt-Hotel Passau	https://altstadt-hotel.de

Child reduction on basic price

12 - 17 Years

25%

Due to the more demanding stages, we recommend this trip only for young people with good stamina.

Children's discount applies for accommodation in a room with two full-paying guests, no discount from the age of 18. A multi-bed room is usually a double room with an extra bed or folding sofa. No five-bed rooms possible.

Additional night prices per person

Abensberg / Bad Gögging DBL / BB	65,-
Abensberg / Bad Gögging SGL / BB	95,-
Deggendorf DBL / BB	65,-
Deggendorf SGL / BB	95,-
Donauwörth / Wörnitzstein SGL / BB	85,-
Donauwörth DBL / BB	65,-
Donauwörth SGL / BB	95,-
Ehingen DBL / BB	55,-
Ehingen SGL / BB	85,-
Ingolstadt DBL / BB	65,-
Ingolstadt SGL / BB	95,-
Lauingen DBL / BB	65,-
Lauingen SGL / BB	95,-
Mühlheim / Fridingen DBL / BB	55,-
Mühlheim / Fridingen SGL / BB	85,-
Passau DBL / BB	69,-
Passau SGL / BB	99,-

Additional night prices per person

Regensburg DBL / BB	65,-
Regensburg SGL / BB	95,-
Riedlingen DBL / BB	55,-
Riedlingen SGL / BB	85,-
Sigmaringen / Scheer DBL / BB	55,-
Sigmaringen / Scheer SGL / BB	85,-
Straubing DBL / BB	65,-
Straubing SGL / BB	95,-
Ulm DBL / BB	65,-
Ulm SGL / BB	95,-

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, Dutch, French, Italian, Spanish

Additional note

- All bookings are on request.
- Return journey to Donaueschingen:
On your own by train, connection every hour, 2 - 3 changes, duration approx. 6 - 8 hours.
- Not bookable during Gäuboden festival in Straubing (11.08. - 21.08.2023)
- Twin / double rooms / separate beds are only occasionally available. We treat requests as non-binding customer requests, if above mentioned room types are a booking condition, it must be mentioned as a condition at the time of booking.

Equipment of our rental bikes

- Comfortable saddle
- Bike lock
- Luggage rack
- Odometer
- Air pump
- Hub dynamo
- Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- Unflat Schwalbe Marathon Plus tyres or comparable
- Waterproof pannier
- Waterproof handlebar bag with map holder
- Further information and photos of the rental bikes are available: www.cycling-holiday.com/rental-bikes

Journey to Donaueschingen

- Closest airports: Zurich, Stuttgart, Frankfurt, Basel, Karlsruhe (Ryanair)
- Train station: Donaueschingen, good connections nach Offenburg / Karlsruhe, Freiburg, Ulm und Konstanz

Parking in Donaueschingen

- Free parking at „Stadtmühle“, „Realschule“ and „Fürstenberg-Gymnasium“.
- Hotel parking spaces (available in individual hotels, chargeable, details in the travel documents).

Bike handover

- Departure: The guests leave the bikes at the last hotel. If an e-bike has been rented, the battery, charger and key must be returned to the reception.
- Arrival: Guests' rental bikes will be available at the arrival hotel.
Departure: The guests leave the bikes at the last hotel. If an e-bike has been rented, the battery, charger and key must be returned to the reception.

Luggage transport

- Luggage pick-up from 09.00 a.m., delivery to the next hotel by 06.00 p.m. at the latest, labeling of luggage is 1 x for the whole tour. No restriction on the number of pieces of luggage, but max. 20 kg per piece of luggage.

Travel documents

- 1 set (per booked room) consists of: hotel list and voucher, travel information with details on daily stages, short travel guides and route descriptions, maps, luggage tags
- Dispatched up to four weeks before arrival. For short-term bookings, delivery to the start hotel, hotel list and arrival information will be sent by email

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival in Donaueschingen

In Donaueschingen, the Brigach and Breg rivers merge to form the Danube. However the Romans once thought that the spring in the castle gardens was the source of the Danube. You can still visit the source of the Danube in Donaueschingen today, right in the park of a very impressive castle, where the Fürstenberg family once lived.

Day 2: Donaueschingen – Mühlheim / Fridingen, approx. 45 / 50 km

The first section is a quick cycle to Immendingen. This is where the Danube sinks into the chalky stone for some 155 days of the year to flow through an underground cave system south to the Aachtopf, Germany's biggest spring. In Tuttlingen, the valley narrows and it's now not far to today's destination.

Day 3: Fridingen – Sigmaringen, approx. 45 km

The chalkstone rocks rise some 100 metres above the cycle path which snakes its way through the rocks here, following the river. You will keep seeing an old castle on the rocks above or rather what remains of it. In Sigmaringen there's another magnificent castle to be discovered, Hohenzollern Castle is still lived in by a noble family and you can go an interesting guided tour if you like.

Day 4: Sigmaringen – Riedlingen, approx. 35 km

Leisurely you follow the course of the river until shortly after Hunderingen, where you should definitely make a stop at the open-air museum Heuneburg to immerse yourself in the world of the Celts. Shortly before your stage destination Riedlingen, you will pass the Historical Hanging Garden of Neufra. If open, its worth a visit!

Day 5: Riedlingen – Ehingen, approx. 40 km

Passing Zwiefaltendorf Castle, you will reach Obermarchtal Monastery. Via the small town of Munderkingen with its well-preserved half-timbered houses and its parish church of St. Dionysius from the 13th century, you will reach the pretty market town of Ehingen.

Day 6: Ehingen – Ulm, approx. 40 km

Today you cycle through the valley of the Urdonau to Blaubeuren with the famous Blautopf, a strong karst spring and the beginning of a large cave system. Your destination is Ulm with the highest church tower in the world, from which you have a magnificent view. Be sure to also take a tour of the historic fishermens quarter. Among other things, you will find here the most crooked hotel in the world.

Day 7: Ulm – Lauingen, approx. 50 km

Between Ulm and Lauingen, town after town is lined up, all beautifully preserved and situated somewhat away from the river on flood-proof hills. Lauingen is also called the city of towers.

Day 8: Lauingen – Donauwörth, approx. 45 km

Most of the towns here are away from the river on raised, flood-safe ground. Cycle at a leisurely pace through the Danube meadowland to Donauwörth, situated on the mouth of the Wörnitz. One of the key trade routes between Nuremberg and Augsburg crossed the Danube here.

Day 9: Donauwörth – Ingolstadt, approx. 60 km

You cycle along well-established paths through the foothills of the Franconian Alb to Neuburg, where we can recommend taking a stroll through the charming old town or a visit to the castle, towering

magnificently over the town. Today's destination is Ingolstadt with its old fortifications. It is also where the Bavarian Purity Law for beer was passed over 500 years ago.

Day 10: Ingolstadt – Abensberg / Bad Gögging, approx. 40 km

You cycle through the Danube floodplains, mostly directly along the river, to Bad Gögging. From here it is only a few kilometers to Abensberg. The small town has a lovely renovated historic old town. You should not miss the beer garden of the Hundertwasser brewery Kuchlbauer!

Day 11: Abensberg – Regensburg, approx. 55 km + boat trip

Along the Abens and then the Danube you cycle to the Weltenburg monastery, where a very special natural spectacle awaits you: the Danube breakthrough, where the Danube has carved its way through a massive Jura rock. But be sure to fortify yourself in the monastery's beer garden before taking a boat through the Danube breakthrough to Kelheim and from there on to Regensburg.

Day 12: Regensburg – Straubing, approx. 55 km

The Danube curves its way gracefully through the wide expanse of the countryside and you cycle alongside. Take a short break at Walhalla, which King Ludwig I had built, before setting off for today's destination at Straubing, the capital of the „Gäuboden“ region. Every year in summer, the popular Gäubodenfest is celebrated here.

Day 13: Straubing – Deggendorf, approx. 40 km

Soon after setting off, you reach Bogen, which is famous for the finding of a statue of the pregnant Madonna. Continuing on you go through Pfelling and Mariaposching to finally arrive at the gate to the Bavarian Forest: Deggendorf, Gothic and Baroque characterise the old town.

Day 14: Deggendorf – Passau, approx. 55 km

Today's route includes the small historic town of Vilshofen, which you might have heard of in connection with the CSU Chairman, politician Strauss' Ash Wednesday speech. You will soon reach your destination of the three-rivers-town and former diocesan town of Passau. Let your tour come to a pleasant end with a walk through the old town.

Day 15: Individual departure

After breakfast you start your individual return journey home or extend your stay.