

The Loire Cycle Route

10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS, APPROX. 465 KM
BOOKING CODE: FR-LOOS9

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ●●●●●
TOPOGRAPHY ●●●●●



Radtour von Orléans
an den Atlantik

From Eur 1399,-



Your tour

On the Loire Cycle Route you can marvel at a unique combination of breathtaking scenery and the castles, stately homes and estates embedded in it. From Orléans, let yourself be whisked away to the fairytale world along the Loire, where the French aristocracy of the time made their own personal vision of a „little home“ come true. With Saint-Nazaire you cycle to the mouth of the Loire into the Atlantic and look back on a culturally exciting journey.

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Orléans
Day 2	Orléans – Blois, approx. 65 km
Day 3	Blois – Tours, approx. 75 km
Day 4	Tours – Chinon, approx. 55 km
Day 5	Chinon – Saumur, approx. 35 km
Day 6	Saumur – Angers, approx. 55 km
Day 7	Angers – Saint-Florent-le-Vieil region, approx. 55 – 70 km
Day 8	Saint-Florent-le-Vieil – Nantes, approx. 55 km
Day 9	Nantes – Saint-Nazaire, approx. 65 km
Day 10	Individual departure

Travel time

Season A	02.04. – 16.04.	01.10.	08.10.
Season B	23.04. – 07.05.	10.09. – 24.09.	
Season C	14.05. – 03.09.		

Arrival Thursdays 02.04. – 08.10.2026
The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- 9 nights with breakfast, national 3*-level
- Digital travel documents and route navigation via app
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Saint-Nazaire, max. 20 kg / pc.
- Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. – 08.00 p.m.)

Not included services

- Citys or visitors tax, if payable

Basic price per person

Doubleroom, Season A	1399,-
Doubleroom, Season B	1469,-
Doubleroom, Season C	1539,-
Additional fee single room	609,-

Additional night prices per person

Orléans DBL / BB	85,-
Orléans SGL / BB	159,-
Saint-Nazaire DBL / BB	69,-
Saint-Nazaire SGL / BB	119,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec*	309,-
Rental bike (21-gear)*	109,-
Return transfer excl. bike (Sat)	139,-
Return transfer incl. bike (Sat)	185,-

*including rental bike insurance

Exemplary hotel list

Orléans	Des Cèdres, Orléans	https://www.logishotels.com/de/hotel/urban-style-hotel-des-cedres-13648
Blois	Beelodge Blois	https://www.beelodge.com
Tours	Hampton by Hilton, Tours	https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/tufhxh-hampton-tours-centre/
Chinon	Ibis Styles, Chinon	https://all.accor.com/hotel/7864/index.de.shtm-l?utm_campaign=seo+maps&utm_medium=seo+maps&utm_source=google+Maps
Saumur	Hotel Kyriad Saumur Centre	https://saumur-centre.kyriad.com/en-us/
Angers	Le Progres, Angers	http://www.hotelprogres.com/en/
Saint-Florent-le-Vieil / Umgebung	Logis Hostellerie la Gabelle, Saint-Florent-le-Vieil	https://www.lagabelle.com/en/
Nantes	Mercure Grand Hotel, Nantes	https://all.accor.com/hotel/1985/index.de.shtm-l?utm_campaign=seo+maps&utm_medium=seo+maps&utm_source=google+Maps
Saint-Nazaire	Comfort Hotel de l'Europe, Saint Nazaire	https://www.hoteleuropesaintnazaire.com/en/

Child reduction on basic price

Due to the challenging stages, we do not recommend this trip for children.

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, French

Additional note

- All bookings are on request.
- In France, helmets are compulsory for children up to the age of 12. However, for safety reasons, we generally recommend wearing a helmet.
- Optionally bookable: Printed travel documents incl. maps, per room € 20
- Return to Orléans: Optional with a minibus every Saturday morning, must be specified when booking, payable on site. Alternatively on your own by train, without changing trains, approx. 4 hours.
- 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

- Bike lock
- Odometer
- Handlebar bag
- Air pump
- Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- Unflat Schwalbe Marathon Plus tyres or comparable
- Waterproof pannier

Journey to Orléans

- Nearest airports: Paris, Rennes
- Train station: Orléans, Saint-Nazaire

Parking in Orléans

- Parking garage in Orléans, approx. 5 € per day. No reservation possible through Radweg Reisen.

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.

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival in Orléans

Orléans is located at the northernmost point of the course of the Loire River and is one of the oldest cities in France. After arriving for your bike tour to the Atlantic Ocean, there will certainly be time to stroll through the city center. Orléans is best known for Joan of Arc, the legendary Maid of Orléans, who is revered as a national heroine in France to this day.

Day 2: Orléans – Blois, approx. 65 km

At the start of your bike tour from Orléans to the Atlantic Ocean, a great day awaits you: excellently signposted, largely flat and with a great path quality, the Loire Cycle Path takes you through the idyllic landscape. You follow the course of the Loire to Blois. On the way you can discover numerous stately villas and magnificent castles. Probably the most impressive castle of the stage awaits you in the city center of your destination today.

Day 3: Blois – Tours, approx. 75 km

Leave Blois, the city of kings, behind and cycle through the beautiful countryside with fascinating views. In Amboise you should definitely take a break and visit the castle, which was home to five kings. At the Château du Clos Lucé, follow in the footsteps of Leonardo da Vinci, who spent the last three years of his life here. Then, on the way to Tours, you will pass the famous wine-growing region of Vouvray and cycle through tranquil villages with numerous wineries.

Day 4: Tours – Chinon, approx. 55 km

You will experience two more magnificent castles on today's stage of your bike tour from Orléans to the Atlantic Ocean. You follow the Cher River and soon reach Villandry Castle. Stroll through the six magnificently landscaped gardens – one more beautiful than the other. Continuing along the banks of the Loire River, you will reach Langeais and thus the second castle of today. From the fortified tower you will enjoy the magnificent view over the river and the surrounding countryside. After this relaxing break, you will roll leisurely to Chinon.

Day 5: Chinon – Saumur, approx. 35 km

Today's bike tour from Orléans to the Atlantic Ocean takes you first to Montsoreau. It is one of the most beautiful villages in France, not only because of its magnificent castle built of tufa stone and the flower-filled village alleys. You pass Souzay-Champigny, famous for its cave dwellings, and soon reach Saumur – the pearl of Anjou. From the town's chateau you have a beautiful view of the medieval old town and the Loire Valley. In the evening, treat yourself to a glass of the region's excellent red wines!

Day 6: Saumur – Angers, approx. 55 km

Through the rolling hills of the vineyards of Anjou, the Loire Cycle Route runs along the southern bank of the river. This picturesque scenery accompanies you for quite a distance. You will pass castle ruins, Romanesque churches and picturesque medieval villages. You will reach Saint-Mathurin-sur-Loire. Visit the Loire Odyssey – a museum

and information center dedicated to the Loire. The castle of your today's stage destination – Angers – impresses not only with 17 towers, it also houses a real cultural treasure: the largest tapestry in Europe!

Day 7: Angers – Saint-Florent-le-Vieil region, approx. 55 – 70 km

Spend a little more time in the lively university town before getting back in the saddle. In Savennières, don't miss a visit to a winemaker. This is where France's best and most expensive white wines are made from the Chenin Blanc grape. Also worth seeing is the village of Béhuard, located on an island. In the old town of St.-Florent-le-Vieil, high above the river, a great viewpoint beckons.

Day 8: Saint-Florent-le-Vieil – Nantes, approx. 55 km

Constantly changing landscapes characterize today's stage of your bike tour from Orléans to the Atlantic. Behind St. Florent, the valley narrows and the river forces its way through slate and granite rocks. Several times you will change the Loire bank, several times you will have to cope with smaller ascents. But every ascent also gives you fantastic views. Nantes, the historic capital of Brittany, will impress you with its very special flair. Let yourself be carried away by the colorful hustle and bustle in the alleys.

Day 9: Nantes – Saint-Nazaire, approx. 65 km

Following the ever-widening river, you cycle through the tranquil countryside and numerous small villages. Nestled between the mouth of the Loire and the Atlantic Ocean is the attractive seaside resort of Saint-Brevin-les-Pins. Stroll along the long sandy beaches or enjoy cooling off in the sea. Afterwards, a shared transfer will take you across the impressive but also busy bridge to Saint-Nazaire. Visit the submarine bunker, which is also passable by bike.

Day 10: Individual departure

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