

Cycle tour from Hamburg to Dresden

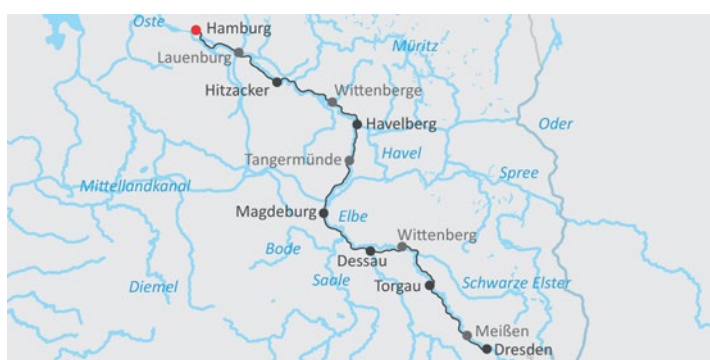
8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, APPROX. 645 KM
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DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ●●●●●
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On the Elbe once across Germany

From Eur **989,-**



Your tour

This bike tour is a great sporting challenge! You follow the natural course of Germany's largest free-flowing river in the northern section of the Elbe and can look forward to pure variety. After turbulent hours in the big city, the Hanseatic city of Hamburg releases you into a wonderfully peaceful floodplain landscape. You cycle through the Altmark, characterised by rich history and plenty of culture, through the Luther City of Wittenberg, the imperial city of Tangermünde, the Otto City of Magdeburg and the Dessau-Wörlitz Garden Kingdom. The cycle tour is so entertaining that the average 100 kilometres per day fly by.

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Hamburg
Day 2	Hamburg – Hitzacker, approx. 110 km
Day 3	Hitzacker – Havelberg, approx. 115 km
Day 4	Havelberg – Magdeburg, approx. 130 km
Day 5	Magdeburg – Dessau, approx. 80 km
Day 6	Dessau – Torgau, approx. 105 km
Day 7	Torgau – Dresden, approx. 105 km
Day 8	Individual departure

Travel time

Season A	01.04. – 05.05.	08.09. – 30.10.
Season B	06.05. – 04.09.	

Arrival Monday, Wednesday and Sunday 01.04. – 30.10.2024
The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- 7 nights with breakfast, national 3*-level
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Dresden, max. 2 pieces per person, max. 20 kg / piece
- Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- 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	989,-
Doubleroom, Season B	1025,-
Price Surcharge Singleroom	259,-

Additional night prices per person

Dresden DBL / BB	75,-
Dresden SGL / BB	109,-
Hamburg DBL / BB	89,-
Hamburg SGL / BB	119,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec	245,-
Rental bike (7- / 21-gear)	125,-

Exemplary hotel list

Hamburg	Best Western Raphael Hotel Altona Hamburg	http://www.raphael-hotel-altona.de/
Hitzacker	Hotel zur Linde Hitzacker	www.zurlinde-hitzacker.de
Havelberg	Hotel am Hafen Havelberg	http://www.hotel-havelberg.de/
Magdeburg	Ratswaage Magdeburg	http://www.ratswaage.de/hotel
Dessau	Radisson Blu Fürst Leopold Dessau	http://www.hotel-dessau-city.de/
Torgau	Goldener Anker Torgau	www.goldener-anker-torgau.de
Dresden	Park Inn by Radisson Dresden	www.parkinn-hotel-dresden.de

Child reduction on basic price

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

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English

Additional note

- All bookings are on request.
- Return journey to Hamburg: by train on your own, connections every 2 hours, duration approx. 4.5 hours, without changing trains.
- 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

- on request: odometer, map holder (to be specified when booking)
- Bike lock
- Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- Waterproof pannier

Journey to Hamburg

- Closest airports: Hamburg
- Train stations: Hamburg Hbf, Hamburg-Wilhelmsburg

Parking in Hamburg

- Parking garage in Hamburg: Cost approx. 12 to 20 euros / day
- Hotel parking spaces (available in individual hotels, chargeable, details in the travel documents).

Travel documents

- Travel document dispatch to the arrival hotel, hotel list and arrival information in advance by e-mail

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival in Hamburg

The Hanseatic city is one of the most beautiful and exciting cities in Germany and offers numerous sights as the starting point for your cycling holiday on the Elbe. Arrive early and visit the Speicherstadt on foot or by excursion boat. Enjoy the evening on the banks of the Alster with a romantic sunset and in anticipation of the cycling days ahead.

Day 2: Hamburg – Hitzacker, approx. 110 km

Goodbye big city, hello nature! You start the cycle tour from Hamburg to Dresden and cycle along the Elbe embankment to Lauenburg. Take a break here and take a look at the charming old town. Historic steamships moored in the harbour, colorful half-timbered houses and old cobblestones in the old town and the beautiful view from the upper town make the shipping town of Lauenburg an attractive destination. Back on the saddle, you cycle through the beautifully tranquil Elbtal-aue-Wendland biosphere region to Hitzacker. This charming little town lies on the German Half-Timbered Road and delights visitors with its ornately decorated houses. The northernmost vineyard in Germany is located close to the town.

Day 3: Hitzacker – Havelberg, approx. 115 km

This stage of the cycle tour from Hamburg to Dresden takes you through the Prignitz, an idyllic region with rolling hills, heathland and meadows, streams and lakes. You pass Wittenberge, the town of

towers, which has often been the backdrop for film productions. We recommend you take your next break in the stork village of Rühstädt. Up to 40 pairs of storks nest here, even on the Rühstädt water tower, the village's landmark. Cycle along the dyke to Havelberg. The old town is located on an island in the Havel and is beautiful to look at with its restored half-timbered houses. The cathedral with its monastery buildings towers high above the town island.

Day 4: Havelberg – Magdeburg, approx. 130 km

You leave the former bishop's seat and cycle south along medieval trade routes. The Altmark region was once represented by eight members in the historic Hanseatic League. Pretty towns line your route. Stendal is one of them. The town hall with its Renaissance gables and the oldest secular carved wall in Germany as well as St. Nicholas Cathedral add to its special charm. Tangermünde has retained its medieval townscape to this day. The castle complex high above the Elbe is particularly worth seeing. Charming Magdeburg, the Ottostadt and capital of Saxony-Anhalt, is your overnight stop.

Day 5: Magdeburg – Dessau, approx. 80 km

A brisk ride through the Middle Elbe biosphere reserve. On the cycle tour from Hamburg to Dresden, you cycle again through the wonderful Elbe meadows and forests, passing pretty towns such as Breitenhagen, Barby and Schönebeck. Dessau, the overnight stop, became famous

worldwide for the Bauhaus, which was built according to plans by Walter Gropius in 1925. It is considered one of the most important and interesting architectural monuments of the 20th century. Artists such as Paul Klee, Wassily Kandinsky and Mies van der Rohe worked there. Take a walk through the extensive Georgengarten landscape park with the beautiful Georgium Palace or the Wörlitz Park, where the pretty Gothic House is located.

Day 6: Dessau – Torgau, approx. 105 km

You follow the meanders of the wide river, can change banks again and again and enjoy numerous lakes and lush nature. Wörlitz is a charming little town. One of the earliest landscape parks in Europe, the Garden Kingdom of Dessau-Wörlitz, which has been on the UNESCO World Heritage List since 2000, is located here. In Lutherstadt Wittenberg, the Cranach Houses on the market square are a feast for the eyes and the town is also peppered with other UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Your overnight stay in Torgau was the preferred residence of the Saxon electors in the 16th century. Visit the magnificent Renaissance Hartenfels Castle.

Day 7: Torgau – Dresden, approx. 105 km

You cycle along the Elbe meadows and fields and past small wine villages to Meißen. The old town of the porcelain town and the Albrechtsburg castle with its cathedral are well worth seeing. Dresden is one of the most beautiful cities in Germany with a long and eventful past. Sights such as the Frauenkirche, the cathedral, the Zwinger and the Residenzschloss are not to be missed. Music history was written in the Semperoper: Richard Wagner and Richard Strauss brought several of their operas to the stage here for the first time. Enjoy the fantastic view of the Elbe, which has accompanied you since Hamburg, from the Brühl Terrace.

Day 8: Individual departure

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