

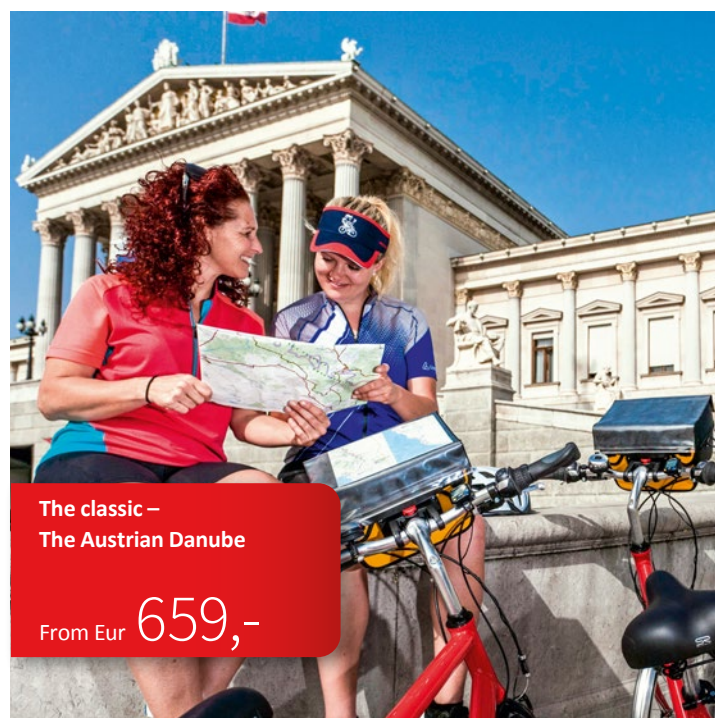
# The Danube Cycle Path from Passau to Vienna

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, APPROX. 310 – 325 KM

BOOKING CODE: OE-DOPW7

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ●●●●●

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The classic –  
The Austrian Danube

From Eur **659,-**



## Your tour

Cycling from Passau to Vienna in one week is one of the most popular cycling tours of all. The tour is particularly suitable for beginners and families with children due to the completely flat course and the very well signposted paths. But the Austrian Danube is also a popular route for „old hands“ due to the cultural and historical richness and the scenic beauty of the Danube valley.

## Itinerary

<b>Day 1</b>	Cat. A: Individual arrival in Passau, Cat. B: Individual arrival to Schärding
<b>Day 2</b>	Cat. A: Passau – Schlögen / Donauschlinge, approx. 40 – 55 km + ferry ride Cat. B: Schärding – Schlögen / Donauschlinge, approx. 55 km
<b>Day 3</b>	Schlögen – Linz, approx. 55 km
<b>Day 4</b>	Linz – Grein region, approx. 55 km
<b>Day 5</b>	Grein – Wachau, approx. 50 – 60 km
<b>Day 6</b>	Wachau – Traismauer / Tulln, approx. 40 – 60 km
<b>Day 7</b>	Traismauer – Wien, approx. 40 – 75 km or approx. 45 km + train ride
<b>Day 8</b>	Individual departure

## Travel time

<b>Season A</b>	30.03. – 12.04.	28.09. – 12.10.
<b>Season B</b>	13.04. – 03.05.	07.09. – 27.09.
<b>Season C</b>	04.05. – 06.09.	

Daily arrival 30.03. – 12.10.2024

The season is dictated by the arrival date.

## Services

- 7 nights with breakfast, national 2\* / 3\*-level (Cat B)
- 7 nights with breakfast, national 3\* / 4\*-level (Cat A)
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Vienna, max. 20 kg / piece
- Only Cat A: Ferry ride Au – Schlögen incl. bike, Wine tasting in the Wachau region
- Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. – 08.00 p.m.)

## Not included services

- Train ride Tulln – Vienna
- Citys or visitors tax, if payable

## Basic price per person

	Category B	Category A
Doubleroom, Season A	659,-	939,-
Doubleroom, Season B	739,-	1029,-
Doubleroom, Season C	769,-	1099,-
Price Surcharge Singleroom	239,-	309,-

## Additional night prices per person

	Category B	Category A
Passau / Schärding DBL / BB	69,-	85,-
Passau / Schärding SGL / BB	95,-	109,-
Vienna DBL / BB	69,-	89,-
Vienna SGL / BB	119,-	139,-

## Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec*	259,-
Rental bike (7- / 21-gear)*	99,-
Return transfer excl. bike	79,-
Return transfer incl. bike	119,-

\*including rental bike insurance

### Exemplary hotel list Category A

Passau	Passauer Wolf Passau	<a href="https://www.hotel-passauer-wolf.de">https://www.hotel-passauer-wolf.de</a>
Schlögen / Donauschlinge	Donauschlinge Riverresort, Schlögen	<a href="http://www.donauschlinge.at">http://www.donauschlinge.at</a>
Linz	Arcotel Nike Linz	<a href="https://nike.arcotel.com/de/">https://nike.arcotel.com/de/</a>
Grein / Umgebung	Wellnesshotel Aumühle, Grein	<a href="https://www.aumuehle.at/">https://www.aumuehle.at/</a>
Wachau	Post Melk, Wachau	<a href="https://www.post-melk.at/">https://www.post-melk.at/</a>
Krems / Traismauer / Tulln	Gasthof zum Schwan, Traismauer	<a href="https://www.hotel-schwan.at">https://www.hotel-schwan.at</a>
Wien	Arcotel Kaiserwasser Wien	<a href="http://www.arcotelhotels.com/de/kaiserwasser_hotel_wien/">http://www.arcotelhotels.com/de/kaiserwasser_hotel_wien/</a>

### Exemplary hotel list Category B

Schärding	Biedermeierhof, Schärding	<a href="https://www.biedermeierhof.at/">https://www.biedermeierhof.at/</a>
Schlögen / Donauschlinge	Gasthof Draxler, Donauschlinge	<a href="http://www.donau-urlaub.at/">http://www.donau-urlaub.at/</a>
Linz	Donauwelle, Linz	<a href="https://linz.twhotels.at/">https://linz.twhotels.at/</a>
Grein / Umgebung	Gasthof zur Donaubrücke, Grein	<a href="https://www.gasthof-froschauer.at/">https://www.gasthof-froschauer.at/</a>
Wachau	Wachauerhof Melk, Wachau	<a href="https://www.wachauerhof-melk.at/de">https://www.wachauerhof-melk.at/de</a>
Krems / Traismauer / Tulln	Gasthof zum Schwan, Traismauer	<a href="https://www.hotel-schwan.at">https://www.hotel-schwan.at</a>
Wien	Simm's Hotel, Wien	<a href="https://www.simmshotel.at/">https://www.simmshotel.at/</a>

### Child reduction on basic price

0 - 5 Years	100%
6 - 11 Years	50%
12 - 14 Years	25%
15 - 17 Years	10%

Reduction for children is valid for accommodation in room with two full-paying guests.

### Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, French

### Additional note

- All bookings are on request.
- In Austria, helmets are compulsory for children up to the age of 12.
- Return journey from Vienna to Passau / Schärding: Optionally with a minibus (daily), duration approx. 3.5 – 4 hours, pick-up approx. 2 p.m. directly at the hotel, must be specified when booking.
- Alternatively on your own by train, connections several times an hour, duration approx. 3 hours, 1 x change.
- 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
- Odometer
- Air pump
- Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- Waterproof pannier
- Waterproof handlebar bag with map holder

### Journey to Passau

- Nearest airports: Linz, Munich, Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest
- Train station: Passau

### Parking in Passau

- Public parking garage in Passau, cost: approx. 10 € per day.
- No reservation by Radweg-Reisen possible.

### 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

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

## Stages description

### Day 1: Cat A: Individual arrival in Passau / Cat. B: Individual arrival to Schärding

You start your bike tour along the Danube in Schärding or Passau. In Schärding, you will get a foretaste of the impressive baroque architecture that awaits you along the Danube: stroll through the upper town square with the Silberzeile and marvel at the unique facades. We recommend a journey to Wernstein for all those who want to escape the hustle and bustle of the cities and instead enjoy the tranquility along the Inn River. However, the classic starting point for a bike tour along the Danube is still Passau, the historic city at the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers. The grandiose St. Stephen's Cathedral watches over the city, as do the Veste Oberhaus and the pilgrimage church of Mariahilf. Arrive early, there is much to discover!

### Day 2: Cat. A: Passau – Schlögen / Donauschlinge, approx. 40 – 55 km + Ferry ride, Cat. B: Schärding – Schlögen / Donauschlinge, approx. 55 km

You start your tour on the northern bank of the Danube and cycle through the Upper Danube Valley to the small market town of Obernzell. A little later you cross the border to Austria and arrive in Engelhartzell with its famous Trappist monastery. At the Schlögener Schlinge, the Danube winds in a tight loop around a huge granite hill on which the romantic Haichenbach ruins are enthroned. From Au you cross over to the other bank by ferry and reach your stage destination.

### Day 3: Schlögen – Linz, approx. 55 km

Through the bird paradise of the Eferdinger Becken and various small market villages, today's stage will take you to Linz. The state capital of Upper Austria was European Capital for Culture in 2009 and is home to the Lentos, one of Austria's most important museums for contemporary art. The Linz City Express will take you to all the city's important sights. You can enjoy a beautiful view of the city from the Pöstlingberg.

### Day 4: Linz – Grein region, approx. 55 km

You cycle through the region and cultural landscape of Machland to Enns. There is also a lot to discover in Austria's oldest town. The main thing, however, is that you discover it absolutely stress-free. Because Enns is the first Cittàslow in Austria. Here, deceleration and quality of life are writ large. The last kilometres of today's stage you cycle through the legendary region of the Strudengau. This was once a section of the Danube much feared by boatmen. Grein was an important trading centre back then. The town theatre in the town hall is the oldest theatre in Austria still in use. Even towards the end of the 19th century, primary school pupils in Grein only received their school-leaving certificate if they had attended a certain number of classical

plays in this theatre. By the way, today is half-time on your eight-day cycle tour from Passau to Vienna! Time flies faster on a bike than you think.

### Day 5: Grein – Wachau, approx. 50 – 60 km

When you reach Melk with its famous monastery, it is almost too late for a break. You will have already covered most of today's route. Nevertheless, you should visit the pompous Benedictine monastery. In the village, various themed trails lead to all the important sights. Now you have reached the Wachau wine-growing region. It has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2000. Fruit, especially grapes, are grown here. It is home to internationally renowned white wines. In the evening you should definitely visit a Heuriger. These are traditional small pubs where local winegrowers sell their own wines. Usually they also serve small regional dishes. You are sure to learn one or two insider tips for tomorrow's stage from the innkeepers and local guests. You can quickly strike up a conversation over a glass of wine.

### Day 6: Wachau – Traismauer / Tulln, approx. 40 – 60 km

Once again you cycle through the Wachau today. Depending on the season, you can pick apricots or grapes along the way. Richard the Lionheart was once imprisoned in the castle in Dürnstein. The castle ruins still tower over the town today. Dürnstein Abbey, on the other hand, was built directly on the banks of the Danube. The blue tower of the collegiate church is considered the landmark of the Wachau. In Krems you have finally reached the end of the Wachau. The town is already more than 1000 years old. It was first mentioned in documents as early as 995. Stroll through the old town, where you can still see the prosperity of the former port city today. The splendidly decorated oriels and portals are true architectural treasures.

### Day 7: Traismauer – Wien, approx. 40 – 75 km or approx. 45 km + train ride

You leave the Wachau behind and now cycle across the Tullnerfeld. The vast, flat landscape has been filled in by the Danube over the centuries. Your bike tour along the Danube is a real cycling pleasure even on the last kilometers: directly along the Danube you cycle on wide bike paths to the Danube Island and are right in the center of Vienna. Schönbrunn Palace, the Spanish Riding School, St. Stephen's Cathedral and the Giant Ferris Wheel are just a few of the many sights in the former imperial city. If you want to have more time for Vienna, you can shorten the route by train from Tulln (not included). This shortens your stage to approx. 45 km.

### Day 8: Individual departure

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