

# The Danish & German North Sea Coast

11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS, APPROX. 405 KM BOOKING CODE: OS-NOEH10

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ••••

TOPOGRAPHY ••••







# Your tour

Thatched houses, sheep grazing on dikes, red-and-white striped lighthouses and the interplay of high and low tide - on the North Sea Cycle Route you will experience the full program of the North Sea coast! You start in the important Danish port city of Esbjerg and cycle not far from the coast to Ribe, the oldest city in Denmark. The tour continues to Husum, which is not at all gray, to the kilometer-long sandy beach of St. Peter-Ording, through Dithmarschen and along the Elbe to Hamburg. On the way you will get to know the islands of Fanø, Rømø and Sylt.

#### Itinerary

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Day 1	Individual arrival in Esbjerg
Day 2	Esbjerg – Ribe, ca. 35 / 65 km + Trip to the island of Fanø
Day 3	Ribe – Havneby (island Rømø), approx. 45 km
Day 4	$\label{lem:havneby-Sylt} Havneby-Sylt is land-Niebüll/Schlüttsiel, approx.\ 20/35\ km+Ferry-\ and$ $Traintrip$
Day 5	Niebüll – Husum, approx. 55 / 40 km
Day 6	Husum – Tönning / Lunden, approx. 35 / 40 km
Day 7	Excursion to St. Peter Ording, approx. 55 / 65 km + train trip
Day 8	Tönning – St. Michaelisdonn, approx. 60 / 70 km
Day 9	St. Michaelisdonn – Glückstadt, approx. 55 km
Day 10	Glückstadt – Hamburg, approx. 55 km
Day 11	Individual departure

#### Travel time

Season A	30.04. – 10.05.	24.09. – 07.10.	
Season B	11.05. – 16.05.	11.06. – 30.06.	10.09. – 23.09.
Season C	17.05. – 26.05.	01.06. – 10.06.	20.08. – 09.09.
Season D	27.05. – 31.05.	01.07 19.08.	

Arrival Saturday and Sunday 30.04. – 07.10.2023 The season is dictated by the arrival date.

#### Services

- → 10 nights with breakfast, national 3\*-level and traditional Danish inns
- → Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- → Ferry trip Havneby (Rømø) List (Sylt) incl. bike
- → Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Hamburg
- → Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. 08.00 p.m.)
- → Train ride Tönning St. Peter-Ording incl. bike
- → Train ride Westerland (Sylt) Niebüll incl. bike

# Not included services:

- → Citys or visitors tax, if payable
- → Ferry trip Fanø island incl. bike, approx. 6 euros per person

#### Basic price per person

Doubleroom, Season A	1149,-
Doubleroom, Season B	1349,-
Doubleroom, Season C	1549,-
Doubleroom, Season D	1749,-
Price Surcharge Singleroom	429,-

# Additional night prices per person

Hamburg DBL / BB	79,–	
Hamburg SGL / BB	129,-	

An additional night does not shift the day of arrival.

#### Additional services per person

Child seat**	free
Children's / Teenagers bike*	49,-
E-bike / Pedelec (freewheel)*	239,-
Rental bike (8- / 27-gear)*	99,-

<sup>\*</sup> Including rental bike insurance

\*\* Can only be booked in addition to an rental bike

**Exemplary hotel list** 

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Esbjerg	Britannia	https://www.britannia.dk/en/
	Scandic Olympic	https://www.scandichotels.dk/hoteller/danmark/esbjerg/scandic-olympic
Ribe	Dagmar	https://www.hoteldagmar.dk
	Hotel Ribe	http://www.hotelribe.dk/
Havneby	Havneby Kro	https://www.havneby-kro.dk/cms/de/start.php
	Kommandørgaarden	https://www.kommandoergaarden.dk/de/
Niebüll / Schlüttsiel	Landhafen	https://www.landhafen.com/
	Eichhorn's	https://www.eichhorns.de/
	Siel 59	https://www.siel59.de/
Husum	Hinrichsen	https://www.nordsee-hotel-hinrichsen.de
	Theodor Storm	https://www.bestwestern. de/hotels/Husum-Nordsee/ Best-Western-Plus-Theodor-Storm-Hotel
Tönning / Lunden	Gästehaus Lexow	https://lexow.sh/
	BeBio be active Hotel Miramar	https://be-bio-hotels.de/be-active-biohotel/
	BeBio be natural Hotel Fernsicht	https://be-bio-hotels.de/be-natural-biohotel/
	Lindenhof 1887	https://www.lindenhof1887.de/
Tönning / Lunden	Gästehaus Lexow	https://lexow.sh/
	BeBio be active Hotel Miramar	https://be-bio-hotels.de/be-active-biohotel/
	BeBio be natural Hotel Fernsicht	https://be-bio-hotels.de/be-natural-biohotel/
	Lindenhof 1887	https://www.lindenhof1887.de/
St. Michaelisdonn	Ringhotel Landhaus Gardels	https://www.landhaus-gardels.de/
	Der Kleine Hans	https://www.kleiner-hans.de/
Glückstadt	Anno 1617	https://www.anno1617.de
	Christian IV	https://www.christianivglueckstadt.de/
Hamburg	Raphael Hotel Wälderhaus	https://www.raphaelhotelwaelderhaus.de/
	Egon Hotel Hamburg City	https://www.egonhotel.com/

# Child reduction on basic price

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

→ Children's discount is valid for accommodation in the room of two full-paying guests, no discount from 18 years. A shared room is usually a double room with an extra bed or folding sofa. No four-bed rooms possible.

# **Languages Travel documents**

→ German, English, Dutch

#### **Additional note**

- → All bookings are on request.
- → 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.

# Additional night prices per person

Esbjerg / Ribe DBL / BB	95
Esbjerg / Ribe SGL / BB	135,-
other places DBL / BB	69,–
other places SGL / BB	109,-

## **Equipment of our rental bikes**

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

# **Journey to Esbjerg**

→ Nearest airports: Billund, Hamburg

→ Train station: Esbjerg

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### Parking in Esbjerg

- → Parking garage Europark, Jernbanegade 20, fee required
- → Hotel parking (available in some hotels, chargeable, details in travel documents)

# Return trip to Esbjerg

→ On your own by train from Hamburg: Connections several times a day, 2 changes, duration approx. 4 hours.

#### Bike handover

→ 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 Esbjerg

Your cycle tour begins in Esbjerg, Denmark. The town was founded a good 150 years ago. From the top of Vandtårnet you have a wonderful panoramic view of the city, the harbour and as far as the island of Fanø. Or how about a trip to Sædding beach? It is overlooked by the striking sculpture group Man by the Sea.

## Day 2: Esbjerg - Ribe, ca. 35 / 65 km + Trip to the island of Fanø

If you don't mind the extra kilometers, you should make a detour to the island of Fanø today, which you can reach comfortably by ferry (not included). Cycling around the island you will experience a mix of dunes, beach forests and mudflats (+ 35 km). Back on the mainland you will go to Ribe, the oldest town in Denmark. In the middle of the old town is the Riber Cathedral with its two unequal towers, which can be seen from afar.

## Day 3: Ribe - Havneby (island Rømø), approx. 45 km

From Ribe you return to the North Sea. Via the road dam Rømødæmningen you reach the Wadden Sea island Rømø. The beaches of Rømø together form the largest sandy beach in Northern Europe. Impressive! Discover the Kommandørgården, the whalebone fence and the Rømø Kirke from the year 1200 during a tour of the island. You will spend the night in Havneby, the island's main town.

# Day 4: Havneby – Sylt island – Niebüll / Schlüttsiel, approx. 20 / 35 km + Ferry- and Traintrip

From Havneby you can take the ferry (included) to the island of Sylt. A network of bike paths over 200 kilometers long offers many opportunities to get to know the island on a shorter or longer tour. Organize your time on Sylt just as you like before you take the train (included) over the Hindenburgdamm to Niebüll. Due to its proximity to Denmark, Danish and Frisian culture meet in this small town. Learn more about the everyday and economic life of the North Frisians in the Frisian Museum.

# Day 5: Niebüll – Husum, approx. 55 / 40 km

From Dagebüll you cycle directly along the coast. On the way, make a detour to the Hamburger Hallig (+ 8 km). The small peninsula is very easy to reach by bike. At the end of the Hallig, an inn invites you to a longer and more scenic stay. In your destination for the day, Husum, the town's most famous son, Theodor Storm, is commemorated

at every turn. The writer once described Husum as a gray town by the sea. Far from it, because the colorful and lively harbor town is neither gray nor drab.

# Day 6: Husum - Tönning / Lunden, approx. 35 / 40 km

Before you continue cycling, stay a little longer in Husum. Stroll through the old town with its narrow streets and harbor. Back in the saddle, you'Il ride through nature. Situated between the rivers Eider and Treene is Friedrichstadt, the so-called Dutch town with its canals. Take advantage of the shortness of your today's stage for an extensive walk, lunch and perhaps a canal ride. Then cycle to Tönning with its historic harbor and the Multimar Wattforum, the largest visitor center for the Wadden Sea National Park in Schleswig-Holstein.

Day 7: Excursion to St. Peter Ording, approx. 55 / 65 km + train trip
In the morning you will take the train to Sankt Peter Ording, the famous seaside resort with the huge beach and the pile dwellings. You should not miss the lighthouse Westerhever, the most famous lighthouse in Germany. Across the Eiderstedt peninsula you will reach the famous Eider barrage shortly before Tönning.

# Day 8: Tönning – St. Michaelisdonn, approx. 60 / 70 km

From Tönning, the route returns to the North Sea. A first stop is worthwhile at the Eidersperrwerk, Germany's largest coastal protection structure. Your next stop is Büsum. The town has a green beach that stretches for miles, where you can enjoy a wonderful roll topped with Büsum crabs. From the sea you cycle into the Dithmarschen. You will pass Meldorf with its cathedral, which can be seen from afar and is typical for northern Germany in brick Gothic style. Here you can shorten your stage by 15 km by train (not included). With St. Michaelisdonn you reach your destination of the day. The landmark of the village is Edda, a Dutch windmill.

#### Day 9: St. Michaelisdonn - Glückstadt, approx. 55 km

Today's stage takes you through the Dithmarschen region to Brunsbüttel. There you will reach the Kiel Canal. In operation since 1895, it is one of the busiest artificial waterways in the world. At the canal locks, you will observe small and large ships as they impressively pass through the canal. Your destination for the day, Glückstadt, was built in the 17th century according to designs on the drawing board.

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A culinary specialty is the Glückstädter Matjes. Known beyond the borders of Schleswig-Holstein, it is traditionally produced according to old recipes.

# Day 10: Glückstadt – Hamburg, approx. 55 km

Today you cycle along the Elbe towards your destination Hamburg. In Wedel, you will encounter the Willkomm-Höft ship welcoming facility. Large ships arriving at or departing from the Port of Hamburg are greeted or bidden farewell with the Hamburg flag hoisted or lowered

- including the national anthem of the home country. Once in Hamburg, there is much to see and discover. Take a boat trip through the port of Hamburg, walk through the Speicherstadt and watch the traders haggling at the legendary fish market.

# Day 11: Individual departure

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

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