

Lake Constance Discovery Tour



LAKE CONSTANCE XXL

- Duration: 12 days / 11 nights
- Start / Destination: Constance
- Length: approx. 345 km
- Daily route length: ●○○○○
- Topography: ●●●○○
- Travel documents available in: DE / EN / NL / FR / IT / ES
- Accommodation: 3* / 4* level
- Booking code: BO-B11

Itinerary

Your tour:

Experience a varied and truly enjoyable cycling holiday with the Pfänder mountain, the Rhine Falls, the flower island of Mainau and the Appenzeller Region as just some of the highlights. Enjoy the time you have on and around the lake and take the opportunity to explore!

Day 1: Individual arrival in Constance

Take the opportunity to wander through Constance's old town or visit the aquariums in the Sea Life Center and go to the Archaeological Museum.

Day 2: Constance – island of Reichenau – Gailingen / Stein a. Rh., approx. 40 / 30 km + boat trip

The first highlight is the island of Reichenau, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and well-known for the vegetables produced here. You cross over the Höri peninsula by boat. Along the High Rhine you cycle into the medieval town of Stein am Rhein with its many frescoed houses. Depending on where you are staying the night, you cross the border again for Gailingen either during the afternoon or the next morning.

Day 3: Day trip to the Rhine Falls, approx. 30 / 50 km + boat trip

Switching several times between Germany and Switzerland you reach the canton's capital, Schaffhausen. The town, whose citizens competed with each other in building gables on their houses, is overlooked by Munot fort. After just a few kilometres you get to the Rhine Falls, one of Europe's biggest water falls. Going upstream along the Rhine, you return to Gailingen or Stein am Rhein.

Day 4: Gailingen / Stein a. Rh. – Constance, approx. 40 / 30 km

Along the southern bank of the lake, you cycle through picturesque Swiss fishing villages back to Constance. If you still have some pedal power in your legs, we can recommend a detour to Arenenberg Castle, former residence of the French Emperor Napoleon III.

Day 5: Constance – island of Mainau – Radolfzell, approx. 30 km

First you explore the "flower island" of Mainau. Bikes are not allowed on the island: simply park at the entrance and access the island via the bridge. Next a short cycle takes you via Allensbach to the former Imperial and now spa town of Radolfzell.

Day 6: Radolfzell – Bodman – Ludwigshafen – Uhldingen / Meersburg, approx. 40 km

From here, you cross the *Bodanrück* range of hills and encounter a very short incline. Arriving at the so-called Überlinger See, part of Lake Constance, you are rewarded for your efforts with beautiful views of the lake, known here as the *Swabian Sea*. Enjoy a break in Überlingen and an ice cream on the pretty promenade. In Uhldingen, you visit a reconstructed pile dwelling and learn how settlers lived on Lake Constance in the Stone and Bronze Ages.

Day 7: Uhldingen / Meersburg – Friedrichshafen, approx. 25 km

In Meersburg, make sure you take some time to stroll through the lovely old town. A guided tour of the castle is also a fascinating experience. Today's destination, Friedrichshafen, has a great Zeppelin Museum we can recommend visiting. It tells you everything there is to know about the history of these air ships.

Day 8: Friedrichshafen – Bregenz, approx. 40 km

Today, the tour takes you through extensive orchards to the Bavarian town of Lindau, where you should not miss visiting the old town - situated on an island. Now it's just a few kilometres to Bregenz, the capital town of the Vorarlberg region of Austria and famous for its annual festival on the world's largest lake-stage.

Day 9: Bregenz – Pfänder – St. Gallen, approx. 55 km + train ride

In the morning you visit the Pfänder, Bregenz' "own" mountain. After that it's time to get back on your bike: to cycle along the Alpenrhein to Altstätten. A train takes you up into Appenzeller Land and then you pedal through absolutely stunning Swiss countryside to St. Gallen.

Itinerary / Services / Dates

Day 10: Free time in St. Gallen or hiking in Appenzell

Today, you leave your bike at your accommodation and explore St. Gallen. The Abbey Church library is considered one of the most important historic libraries in the world. It is home to about 160,000 books - one of which is the oldest German book. We can also recommend a hike in the local area.

Day 11: St. Gallen – Constance, approx. 45 km

Enjoy the downhill stretch to Lake Constance and your arrival near Arbon. Following the banks of the lake almost all the way, you cycle through apple orchards and the small towns of Arbon and Romanshorn back to Constance. This stretch is flat and easy to cycle, unless in a stronger westerly wind. You will frequently pass places where you can go swimming and refresh yourself in the lovely cool waters of the lake.

Day 12: Individual departure or extension of stay

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

Services

- 11 nights with breakfast in the local **3*/4*** category
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel, no limit on the number of pieces, max. 20 kg / piece
- Boat trip Reichenau – Gaienhofen incl. bike
- Boat trip to the Rhine Falls rock
- Entrance to Rosgarten museum Constance, 1 coffee included
- Entrance Mainau island
- Entrance to the Lake Dwelling Museum Unteruhldingen
- Entrance Zeppelin Museum Friedrichshafen
- Cable car return ride to the Pfänder excl. bike
- Train ride Altstätten – Gais incl. bike
- Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- 7 day Service Hotline

Not included

- City or visitor's tax (if payable)

Note

- Start/end of this tour is possible in any of the above mentioned overnight places at no extra cost.
- We do not offer half board (dinner) on this tour.

Dates 2020

Daily arrival 19.04. – 04.10.2020.

Season A	19.04. – 24.04.	01.10. – 04.10.	
Season B	25.04. – 15.05.	14.06. – 26.06.	13.09. – 30.09.
Season C	16.05. – 28.05.	01.06. – 05.06.	27.06. – 03.07. 23.08. – 12.09.
Season D	29.05. – 31.05.	06.06. – 13.06.	04.07. – 22.08.

- For pricing purposes, the season is dictated by the arrival date.
- **Closed-out dates:** 29.07., 05.08., 08.08.2020 (Seenachtsfest Constance), 27.08. – 30.08.2020 (Eurobike Friedrichshafen)

Prices

Prices 2020 in EUR

Basic price double room / breakfast	Suggested retail price
Season A	1099,-
Season B	1249,-
Season C	1349,-
Season D	1449,-
Additional fee single room	349,-

Extra nights

Per person in EUR	Suggested retail price
Double room / breakfast Constance	65,-
Single room / breakfast Constance	95,-
Double room / breakfast Stein / Gailingen	65,-
Single room / breakfast Stein / Gailingen	95,-
Double room / breakfast Radolfzell	65,-
Single room / breakfast Radolfzell	95,-
Double room / breakfast Uhldingen / Meersburg	69,-
Single room / breakfast Uhldingen / Meersburg	105,-
Double room / breakfast Friedrichshafen	75,-
Single room / breakfast Friedrichshafen	109,-
Double room / breakfast Bregenz	85,-
Single room / breakfast Bregenz	119,-
Double room / breakfast St. Gallen	99,-
Single room / breakfast St. Gallen	135,-

→ An additional night does not shift the day of arrival.

Extras

	Price per car
Reserved, fenced parking space in Constance	39,-

→ [New: Fenced parking space near the Radweg-Reisen office in Constance can be booked in advance as an extra service. In case of a parking space booking the price will not be paid on location but will be part of the guests invoice.](#)

Rental bikes prices in EUR

	Suggested retail price per bike
27-gear rental bike (freewheel, calliper brakes, derailleur gears)	79,-
E-bike (freewheel, internal gear hub)	195,-
Teenager's bikes	39,-

Children discount

→ Because of the more challenging sections, we recommend this tour only for youths in good physical condition.

Further information

Brief information

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on request possible in any of the overnight places
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- **Topography** ●●●○○
 - **2nd, 3rd, 4th day** ●●○○○
 - **5th, 6th, 7th, 8th day** ●○○○○
 - **9th, 11th day** ●●●○○
- **Travel documents available in:** DE / EN / NL / FR / IT / ES

Booking code

- BO-B11: 3* / 4* level
- **Booking code must be stated in every booking!**

Arrival in Constance

- Closest airports: Zurich, Friedrichshafen, Stuttgart
- Train station: Constance

Parking in Constance

- **New:** Fenced parking space near the Radweg-Reisen office in Constance can be booked in advance as an extra service. In case of an booking the price will not be paid on location but will be part of the guests invoice. Costs 39 EUR / car, must be stated with the booking.
- Free parking on public roads
- Public car parks (Fischmarkt, Dammgasse, Lago, Altstadt, Benediktinerplatz), cost approx. 10 – 20 EUR / day
- Hotel car parks (available only in some hotels, with costs, details in the travel documents)

Twin rooms / separate beds

- Available only sporadically.
- We handle requests for twin rooms as **non-binding requests**.
- **In case twin rooms are booking condition it must be clearly communicated as such when booking!**

Availability

- All bookings are on request!
- For this tour we provide an availability link
(The link is updated regularly, best to save it as a bookmark in your browser)

Buchbarkeit

Bitte wählen Sie eine Reise aus: BO-VA4 (Fahrradtour um den Bodensee für Sportliche)

Bitte auswählen:

Monat	1	2	3	4	5	Reise
März 2018						
April 2018	1	2	3	4	5	BO-B11 (Radurlaub am Bodensee)
Mai 2018	1	2	3	4	5	BO-KK7-sp (Der Donau-Bodensee-Radweg)
Juni 2018	1	2	3	4	5	BO-KK8 (Vom Bodensee zur Donau und ins Allgäu mit dem Rad)
Juli 2018	1	2	3	4	5	BO-KN5 (Stern-Radtouren ab Konstanz am Bodensee)
August 2018	1	2	3	4	5	BO-O6 (Familien Radreise am Bodensee)
September 2018	1	2	3	4	5	BO-VA4 (Fahrradtour um den Bodensee für Sportliche)
Oktober 2018	1	2	3	4	5	BO-VA6a (Die klassische Bodensee Radreise, Kategorie A)
						BO-VA6b (Die klassische Bodensee Radreise, Kategorie B)
						BO-VA7 (Die Bodensee-Radtour bis zum Rheinfall)
						BY-AT6-EF (Der Altmühltal-Radweg)
						BY-AT7a (Der Altmühltal-Radweg, Kategorie A)
						BY-AT7b (Der Altmühltal-Radweg, Kategorie B)

auf Anfrage buchbar
 Sperrtermin

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- **Alternative tours in case the favoured date is fully booked:**
 - Start in any of the other overnight place

Exemplary hotels

Constance	
Ibis Hotel, Konstanz	www.ibis.com/de/hotel-7290-ibis-konstanz/index.shtml
ABC Hotel, Konstanz	www.abc-hotel.de
Stein am Rhein / Gailingen	
Hotel Rheingold, Gailingen	www.hotelrheingold.de
Hotel Restaurant Adler, Stein am Rhein	www.adlersteinamrhein.ch
Radolfzell	
Hotel am Stadtgarten, Radolfzell	www.hotel-am-stadtgarten.de
Hotel Zur Schmiede, Radolfzell	www.zur-schmiede.com
Uhldingen / Meersburg	
Hotel Knaus, Uhldingen	www.hotelknaus.de
Hotel zum Schiff, Meersburg	www.hotelzumschiff.de
Friedrichshafen	
Seehotel Friedrichshafen, Friedrichshafen	www.seehotelfn.de
Hotel City-Krone, Friedrichshafen	www.hotel-city-krone.de
Bregenz	
Hotel Messmer, Bregenz	www.hotel-messmer.at
Hotel Germania, Bregenz	www.hotel-germania.at
St. Gallen	
Einstein Hotel, St. Gallen	www.einstein.ch
Hotel Metropol, St. Gallen	www.hotel-metropol.ch