

## Germany - Cycling Tour of 10 Lakes

Enjoy the shining world of lakes as you cycle through the unspoilt countryside of the Salzkammergut. Some kilometres after Salzburg you are spoiled with a unique landscape. The soft hills of the Salzburger Voralpenland have a charm of their own. Cycle through pastures and moor lands to the Silent Night town of Oberndorf and to the old emperor town, Bad Ischl. The 10 Lake Tour is an active way to relax, experiencing nature and visiting places of interest like the Schafberg and the castle Orth.

**Duration:** 8 days, 7 nights

**Day 1** - Arrival in Salzburg. Welcome briefing and distribution of rental bikes before exploring the town.

**Day 2** - Salzburg to Trumer Lake or Lake Wallersee. Cycle along the River Salzach to Oberndorf, the 'Silent Night' town. Continue to Arnsdorf and then to Michaelbeuern with its abbey. The ride carries on with views of lakes and valleys heading for Lake Trumer or Wallersee.

**Day 3** - Trumer Lake or Lake Wallersee to Lake Mondsee or Lake Attersee. Leave Trumer Lake and travel through the nature reserve of Egel Lake to the village of Schleedorf. Pass Wallersee and then through the "Finsterloch" ("Dark Hole") to Lake Irrsee. Your overnight stop is near Lake Mondsee (town of Mondsee) or Lake Attersee (Unterach or Nußdorf).

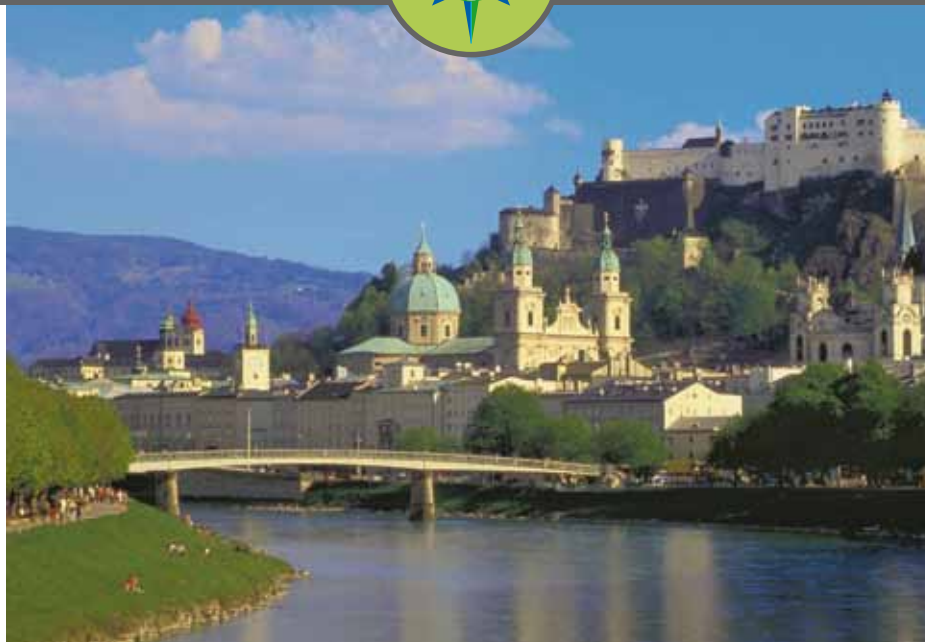
**Day 4** - Lake Mondsee or Lake Attersee to Lake Traunsee. Take a boat to Weyregg and then cycle through the Aurachtal Valley to Lake Traunsee. On your travels visit Orth castle in Gmunden, a bike museum in Altmunster and Traunkirchen.

**Day 5** - Lake Traunsee, Lake Hallstätter See then Bad Goisern or surroundings. Catch the train from Lake Traunsee and uphill to Obertraun and the Dachstein Ice Caves. Bike along the lake shore to Hallstatt, a beautiful lake town, and visit the oldest salt mine in the world before heading to your hotel in Bad Goisern or the surrounding area.

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### Includes:

- Welcome meeting
- Accommodation in hotels or guesthouses
- Breakfast buffet (Category B partly without buffet)
- Bike hire
- Luggage transport
- Tour pack including maps, route description, places of interest, telephone numbers etc (one per room)
- Journey by boat on Lake Attersee within the boating season
- Train journey Lake Traunsee to Lake Hallstätter See
- Bike transport St. Gilgen to Tiefbrunnau (during your hike), limited places available by bus instead of hiking
- E-signposting
- Hotline



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**Day 6** - Bad Goisernto Lake Wolfgangsee. Cycle through Bad Ischl taking the opportunity to visit the emperor's park and villa and the Sissi's tea house. Meander along the Ichler Ache ("creek") to Lake Wolfgangsee, famous for the White Horse Inn and its pilgrimage church with its late Gothic alterpiece by Michael Pacher. The Schafbergbahn, a rack railway, climbs from St. Wolfgang to the summit of the Schafberg mountain. The peak offers a panoramic view of the Salzkammergut mountains and lakes. Tonight you will stay in Strobl, Abersee or the Mozart village of St Gilgen.

**Day 7** - Lake Wolfgangsee to Salzburg. You have a short cycle ride to St. Gilgen ("Mozartdorf") followed by a walk to Tiefbrunnau (your bikes will be transported.) After being reunited with your bike you ride downhill along a beautiful path to Lake Hintersee and then through the Strubklamm gorge into Weistal. You pass through the Glasenbachklamm gorge into the Salzachtal valley before arriving at your destination for the day, the Mozart town of Salzburg. It is well worth visiting Hellbrun with its castle, park, zoo and fountains.

**Day 8** - Depart or additional nights.

### **Cat A Price (mostly 4\*\*\*\* hotels or higher 3\*\*\* hotels) £729.00**

Single room supplement £159.00.

High season supplement (01/07 – 31/08 inclusive) £60.00

### **Cat B Price (chosen 3\*\*\* hotels and guesthouses) £635.00**

Single room supplement £102.00.

High season supplement (01/07 – 31/08 inclusive) £42.00

(Prices are per person, based on two people sharing twin or double room).

**Extra nights are available on request in most of the towns along the route.**

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### Dates for 2011:

Daily from  
16th April to  
9th October

### Ride info:

Approximately  
265km long.

On the lake shores and the banks of river Salzach the bicycle routes are flat. In between the terrain is hilly. Depending on the route you take, one third is on cycle tracks, and almost all the rest is on meadow, wood paths, country lanes and on side streets with light traffic.

Only a few short sections follow streets with more traffic.