



Germany – Munich Lakes, Isar Cycle Path and Bavarian Lakes

What could be better than clean air, freedom and the time to take care of yourself. You cycle around famous Bavarian lakes, view the majestic mountain massifs and stroll through blooming, richly ornamented Baroque old towns. Enjoy unspoilt nature and Bavarian tradition.

Duration: 8 days, 7 nights

Day 1 - Individual arrival in Munich. Welcome briefing and bike distribution. Then it's off to explore Bavaria's capital city with its many sights.

Day 2 - Munich – Murnau / Lake Staffelsee. Cycle from Munich through the Forstenrieder Park to Lake Starnberger. Continue on cycle paths that run along the shore of the lake to Seeshaupt. You'll continue through unspoilt Bavarian villages past the Oster Lakes and the Rieg See to Murnau am Staffelsee where you spend the night.

Day 3 - Murnau – Garmisch Partenkirchen. Travel through the nature reserve of Murnauer Moors and continue through the unspoilt countryside along the River Loisach to Garmisch Partenkirchen. Today's ride is short so you have time to take the Zugspitzbahn to visit Germany's highest summit in the Alps at 2962m. Here you have wonderful views of the surrounding mountains.

Day 4 - Garmisch Partenkirchen – Wallgau. Take the train to Scharnitz and continue with a gentle climb through romantic gorges and lush alpine fields to the source of the river Isar. Freewheel down the high-lying valley with stunning views of the Karwendel and Wetterstein mountains. Continue through Mittenwald (a forest) to Wallgau – a village still in touch with Bavarian tradition.

Day 5 - Wallgau – Bad Tölz. Past Isarwinkel to the turquoise waters of the Sylvenstein Lake, through Lenggries to Bad Tölz. The town was on the junction of two trading routes - the Isar and the old salt route from Reichenhall to Allgäu - and developed quickly into a blooming trading post. The richly ornamented middle class houses are evidence of the golden age.

Includes:

- Accommodation, usually in traditional Bavarian hotels with good 3*** level, Munich 4**** level
- Breakfast buffet
- White sausage breakfast
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel
- Train ticket from Garmisch Partenkirchen to Scharnitz (bike not included, about € 3 per bike)
- E-signposting
- Tour pack including maps, route description, places of interest, telephone numbers etc (one per room)
- Hotline

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Day 6 - A circular route from Bad Tölz past Lake Tegernsee. Cycle through the charming landscape of Lake Tegern to Gmund am Tegernsee with a wonderful lake panorama. Ride along the Gaißbach Valley back to Bad Tölz. Along the way take in the thermal springs of the famous “Alpamare” spa which can relax tired muscles and take a walk along the Tölzer Market Street in the footsteps of the famous television series “Der Bulle von Tölz” (“The Cop from Tölz”).

Day 7 - Bad Tölz – Munich. Follow the Isar cycle path through Garettsried and Wolfratshausen to Grünwald. There are a few short ascents along the way before reaching the capital, Munich.

Day 8 - Depart or extension days of the tour.

7 nights Hotel price £699.00

Single room surcharge £180.00

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

Additional nights in the area are available on request. Please contact us via email: info@compass-holidays.com or alternatively phone us on +44 (0) 1242 250642

Dates for 2011:

Daily from
22nd April until
9th September

Ride info:

Generally, this is an easy tour of the area.

There are a few short ascents but it is overall an enjoyable bike ride for every ability.