

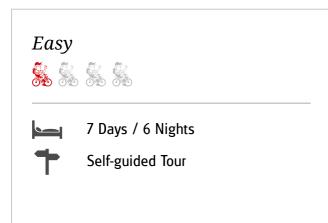
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Cologne - Arnheim

RHINE CYCLE PATH V.

The Rhine Cycle Route from Switzerland to Cologne is known almost every bike lover, but the beautiful route from Cologne to Holland is still mostly unknown - quite wrongly, in our opinion! The continuous flat route is rich in culture and nature, industrial history and historical sights and it full of great dining experiences and the lust for life.

In the heart of the city of Cologne is the start of your bike tour. Here the locals are full of humor not only during the carnival. The first destinations are the small fortified town of Zons with its still completely preserved city wall and the old town of Düsseldorf with the "longest bar in the world". In Duisburg, you can take an interesting boat ride through the largest inland port in Europe, and in the "Landschaftspark Duisburg Nord' you can climb the disused blast furnace. In Wesel a visit to the museum of Prussia is worth the effort and in Xanten, the Roman excavations are a real highlight. From here you continue to cycle through the wide floodplain of the Lower Rhine to Emmerich with its beautiful Rhine promenade. The final stage leads over the border in the midst of the Dutch Rhine delta in the Dutch shopping town of Arnhem. From here you have a great train connection back to Cologne or you can continue with the bike trip along the Rhine till the North Sea estuary at Rotterdam.



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Itinerary

Arrival in Cologne

Arrive at Cologne in time and visit the famous Cologne Cathedral and the picturesque old town.

DAY 2

DAY

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DAY

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Cologne – Düsseldorf approx. 55 km

With Cologne humor in the baggage you leave the cathedral city and cycle along the banks of the Rhine till you reach the medieval town of Zons. This fortress city with a city wall still entirely preserved is also called the Rothenburg of the Rhineland'. It features the mighty Rhine Tower from 1388, the Juddeturm with baroque dome and a windmill with a wooden mill from the 17th century. You continue cycling the Rhine cycle path and in the afternoon you reach Düsseldorf's Old Town, also known as "the longest bar in the world'. This expression leads back to the 250 pubs, restaurants and bars, lined up in the streets of the old town. Relax with a real Düsseldorf Altbier at Castle Square and enjoy a wonderful view of the Rhine.

Düsseldorf – Duisburg approx. 50 km

Again directly on the Rhine you cycle first to Kaiserswerth with the picturesque ruins of "Kaiserpfalz". Shortly after you take the ferry to cross the river to the left side of the Rhine. Here you take a short sidetrip to see the Moated Castle Linn. The green floodplains drain away and make space for impressive industrial architecture until the cycle path leads on the right side of the Rhine to the river mouth of the Ruhr. From here it is only a short distance to downtown Duisburg. Here it is worthwhile to take a boat tour of the largest inland port in Europe before you let the evening fade away in one of the many bars and restaurants at the harbor and waterfront.



Duisburg – Wesel

approx. 45 km

With a short train journey (6 minutes) you get to the district Duisburg Meiderich and from here you can cycle directly to the Landscape Park "Landschaftspark Duisburg Nord", a 200-hectare disused steelwork. It is possible to take a guided tour about industrial history and climb the blast furnace (only from May to September). Visitors can walk through the former ore bunkers and get explanation about casthouse, Gasometer and Gebläsehalle. After this impressive visit, which certainly is considered a highlight of this bike trip, you follow a comfortable bike path on an old railway line to the River Rhine. After a few kilometers you cycle on the left side of the river through rural idyll and nature reserves at the Lower Rhine to the Hanseatic city of Wesel with his Prussian Museum. A day of biking can not be more varied!



Wesel – Emmerich approx. 50 km

Today the Rhine cycle path leads first to Xanten with the historic downtown, the splendidly decorated St. Victor's Cathedral and the Archaeological Park and Roman Museum, which is by itself worth a trip. From here you continue the route along inviting bathing lakes and enjoy beautiful views of the wild Rhine-current to the amusement park "Wunderland Kalkar". Finally you reach the longest suspension bridge in Germany, also called as Golden Gate on the Lower Rhine. Your destination is the old Hanseatic city of Emmerich with the beautiful Rhine promenade, which still invites to an end-of-day stroll.

DAY 6

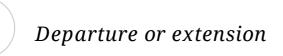
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Emmerich – Arnheim

approx. 40 km

Also today's stage holds new impressions ready. Already in the morning you cross by ferry the Rhine to the Dutch side and cycle past the point where the river divides into Waal and Niederrijn. Here one speaks of the Rhine Delta, which extends until the North Sea. Follow the Niederrijn on raised causeways, through locks and bridges to the old city of Arnhem, where you not only enjoy a varied shopping offer. In the Information Centre "Brücke von Arnheim" you can indulge in history and in the open air museum you can visit more than 80 historic Dutch houses and windmills.



Tour character

The route is consistently flat and always follows the signposted Rhine Cycle Path.

Prices and events

Place of arrival: Cologne

	Season 1 09.04.2023 - 29.04.2023 01.10.2023 - 15.10.2023 Arrival Sunday	Season 2 30.04.2023 - 13.05.2023 17.09.2023 - 30.09.2023 Arrival Sunday	Season 3 14.05.2023 - 16.09.2023 Arrival Sunday
Rhine Cycle Path, Cologne	e-Arnheim, 7 days, DE-RHRKA-07X		
Base price	719.00	769.00	819.00
Surcharge single room	230.00	230.00	230.00

Category: comfortable middle class hotels

Additional nights

Place of arrival: Cologne

	Season 1 Apr 9, 2023 - Apr 29, 2023 Oct 1, 2023 - Oct 15, 2023 Arrival Sunday	Season 2 Apr 30, 2023 - May 13, 2023 Sep 17, 2023 - Sep 30, 2023 Arrival Sunday	Season 3 May 14, 2023 - Sep 16, 2023 Arrival Sunday
Cologne			
Double room p. P.	79.00	79.00	79.00
Surcharge single room	30.00	30.00	30.00
Arnheim			
Double room p. P.	89.00	89.00	89.00
Surcharge single room	40.00	40.00	40.00

Our rental bikes

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99.00
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Prices per person in EUR

Services and infos

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as already mentioned
- Breakfast
- Luggage transfer
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English)
- 1 Guided tour in Park "Landschaftspark Duisburg Nord" from May to September (German)
- GPS-data available
- Service-Hotline

Infos

Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Cologne train station
- Cologne/Bonn or Düsseldorf airport
- Underground parking in the hotel costs approx. €
 12 per night, no reservation possible, to be paid for at the time
- Good train connections from Arnheim to Cologne

Optional extras:

 Return transfer by minibus to Cologne every Saturday approx. 8 am, costs EUR 119 per person, for your own bike additionally €30,-, to be paid in advance, reservation is necessary

Please note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price!
- Tickets for the ferry across river Rhine to be organised on your own, costs approx. EUR 2 to EUR 5 per person incl. bike
- Ticket for the train in Duisburg to Landschaftspark to be organised on your own, costs approx. EUR 5 per person incl. bike)
- Further important information according to the package travel law can be found <u>here!</u>

Contact & booking

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.



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