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CYCLING HOLIDAYS LA ROUTE VERTE, SCHAFFHAUSEN - GENEVA

Cycling: La Route Verte

The nature parks of the Jura Arc

Some natural jewels can be found in the Swiss parks. The Route Verte leads you on almost traffic-free paths from the Regional Nature Park Schaffhausen with the world-famous Rhine Falls to the 800-year-old lime tree of Linn in the Aargau Jura Park. Then you pass the rocks of the Thal Nature Park and reach the hills of the Jura.

In the Parc du Doubs you will discover the typical Franches-Montagnes horses before recharging your batteries thanks to the breathtaking views in the Chasseral Regional Park. From here it is only a stone's throw past Lac de Joux to the Parc Jura vaudois just outside Geneva.



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided tour



E-bike Tour

To the online version



ITINERARY

DAY
1

Arrival to Schaffhausen | Schaffhausen – Herznach

Luggage drop-off in Schaffhausen. On quiet cycle paths, the first stage of the Route Verte takes you through the vineyards and picturesque villages of the Schaffhausen Nature Park. Take advantage of your stay to taste the delicious wines.

On your way to the Aargau Jura Park you will pass the “moated castle” where the rivers Reuss, Aare and Limmat meet. On the way to the small village of Herznach you can visit the 800-year-old lime tree of Linn.

 approx. 80 km

 960 m

 940 m

DAY
2

Herznach – Balsthal

You will pass small villages in the Aargau Jura Park and continue through a beautiful landscape dominated by tall trees. After Rothenfluh the area becomes more urban again. You roll past Liestal, the capital of Canton Basel-Landschaft. Now once again steeply uphill and with momentum down into the densely wooded Thal Nature Park.

 approx. 70 km

 1'490 m

 1'420 m

DAY
3

Balsthal – Delémont

The third stage of the Route Verte begins in the heart of the Thal Nature Park, which is characterised by forests, vertical gorges and deep ravines, and climbs up the Passwang, crossing the language border and reaching the canton of Jura.

 approx. 45 km

 855 m

 940 m

DAY
4

Delémont – Saignelégier

Shortly after the start of the ride, two smaller passes await you and, with St-Ursanne, the gateway to the Parc du Doubs. You will then cross the Franches-Montagnes. Countless paddocks characterise the landscape here. The destination of the ride is the small town of Saignelégier.

 approx. 60 km

 1'675 m

 1'100 m

DAY
5**Saignelégier – Travers/Couvet**

You pass the sunny heights of Mont-Soleil with its observatory and dry stone walls. You will leave La Chaux-de-Fonds behind on your way to the Val de Travers. In constant ups and downs, you reach the home of the Green Fairy.

 approx. 70 km  1'100 m  1'350 m

DAY
6**Travers/Couvet – Ste-Croix**

Asphalt mines, absinthe distilleries and steam locomotives characterize the first part of today's tour. The journey through the Val-de-Travers is picturesque, the following ascent sweaty.

 approx. 30 km  620 m  275 m

DAY
7**Ste-Croix – Lac de Joux**

Some sweaty climbs will bring you to the shores of Lac de Joux. Situated at over 1'000 metres above sea level, a unique natural paradise awaits you here in the Parc Jura vaudois.

 approx. 45 km  1'070 m  1'100 m

DAY
8**Lac de Joux – Geneva | Departure or extension**

You're climbing the Col du Marchairuz. From here you can see the clay spruces of the Risoud forest and the Lake Geneva region stretches out before you: You can see the Jet d'Eau from afar. Behind it, the white snow-covered peaks of the Mont Blanc massif sparkle. After arriving in Geneva luggage pick-up and departure.

 approx. 75 km  765 m  1'395 m

TOUR CHARACTER

A challenging tour along the chain of hills of the Jura. The tours lead mostly on little used side roads. Only in the urban centres is a little more traffic to be expected. Because of the sometimes challenging climbs, we recommend that you tackle the tour with an electric bike. The "pleasure variants" offer shorter stages and are less strenuous than the original route. The Route Verte mostly follows the signposted routes of Veloland Schweiz. In the cantons of Jura, Neuchâtel and Vaud, orientation is easy; before that, the different routes change several times a day.

More information

- [Information about La Route Verte](#)



PRICES & DATES

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: SCHAFFHAUSEN

Season 1	Season 2
20.04.2024 - 26.04.2024 28.09.2024 - 13.10.2024 Arrival daily except Monday	27.04.2024 - 27.09.2024 Arrival daily except Monday

Route Verte, 8 days, CH-OSRSG-08X		
Base price	1'359.-	1'399.-
Surcharge single room	499.-	499.-

Category: middle class hotels

ADDITIONAL NIGHTS

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: SCHAFFHAUSEN

Season 1	Season 2
Apr 20, 2024 - Apr 26, 2024 Sep 28, 2024 - Oct 13, 2024 Arrival daily except Monday	Apr 27, 2024 - Sep 27, 2024 Arrival daily except Monday

Schaffhausen		
Double room p.P. cat. A	119.-	119.-
Surcharge single room	65.-	65.-
Geneva		
Double room p.P. cat. A	135.-	135.-
Surcharge single room	105.-	105.-

Our rental bikes

Price

Countrybike 27-gear	155.-
Electric bicycle	289.-
Side bag	included
Prices per person in CHF	

SERVICES & INFORMATION

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as mentioned incl. breakfast
- Daily luggage transfers
- Costs for luggage pick-up at the station (for direct arrival and departure)
- Subsidy for arrival by train
- Carefully elaborated route
- Travel documents (1 x per room)
- Navigation app and GPS data available
- SwitzerlandMobility-Plus subscription for one year
- Service hotline

Note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price
- Reservation fee of CHF 20.- per adult (incl. legally required customer money protection)

Information

Arrival/Departure:

- Arrival by public transport to Schaffhausen. Drop off your luggage at the luggage counter by 10:00 a.m. at the latest.
- Departure by public transport from Geneva. Suitcases will be returned to the luggage counter by 5:00 p.m. at the latest.

Arrival by train:

Leave the car at home! For every bike, biking or hiking tour in Switzerland, you will receive an SBB coupon per participant, **which you can use to deduct CHF 10 from the ticket price for traveling by train.** The reduction can be obtained in the SBB online store or in the SBB app. On many trips, we use the luggage counters at the stations at the beginning and at the end to hand over the suitcases. You can conveniently combine this right away when you arrive by train. **If you are a GA owner, you can provide this information when booking. We will credit you the amount on the invoice.** If you don't need the coupon for the trip itself, you can use it during the year. Unfortunately, a retroactive refund is not possible for administrative reasons.

Travel documents

Travel documents "digital"

We reduce the amount of printed documents. You will receive instructions to help you find your way around using the Eurotrek Travel Guide App. We provide you with further information online.

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- Your travel program
- Luggage tags
- Description of how to use the app
- Any vouchers

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