

Bicycle Tours in Sweden: Cycling Copenhagen to Gothenburg

OVERVIEW

A Northern European tour that takes you across borders cycling from one vibrant city to another, in regions renowned for their urban cycling culture. Our journey kicks off in Copenhagen, dubbed the "most livable city and bike capital of the world" and takes us from Denmark to Sweden. Enchanting forests and stunning coastlines will be your daily backdrop as you follow the Kattgattleden, Sweden's first national bicycle route. From the vibrant city of Gothenburg Finish your tour in the vibrant city of Gothenburg, also known as "Stockholm's little sister".

If this sounds great but you prefer a longer tour, check out our [Cycling Copenhagen to Stockholm](#) tour.

HIGHLIGHTS

Copenhagen, Beautiful coastal riding, bike paths, breathtaking castles, Tylösand Beach, Gothenburg

TOUR FACTS

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| Tour Style | 📄 Classic: Learn more about our Classic tours at https://www.experienceplus.com/tours/bike-tour-styles/classic-tours |
| Includes | 6 nights accommodation, meals as noted in itinerary, Guided tour of Gothenburg |
| Countries | Denmark, Sweden |
| Begin/End | Copenhagen/ Gothenburg |
| Arrive/Depart | Copenhagen (CPH)/ Gothenburg (GOT) |
| Total Distance | 267 km (166 miles) |
| Avg. Daily Distance | 53 km (33 miles) per riding day |
| Tour Level | ▶▶▶▶▶ |
| Keep in Mind | We work hard to maintain consistency across all of our tours, but some trips have unique differences. Here are some things to keep in mind about this tour. Some hotels may not have air conditioning. |

Please Note: We may have small itinerary changes to this trip after you download this PDF document. If you have booked this trip and there are major changes, including changes to towns or activities, we'll email you directly. However, you should always be sure to refer to the 📄 [online itinerary](#) for the most up-to-date trip information including arrival and departure tips before you depart for your trip:

<https://www.experienceplus.com/guided-bike-tours/sweden/copenhagen-gothenburg>

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DATES & PRICES

| Dates | Price | Single Supplement* |
|----------------------|-------|--------------------|
| 📅 Jun 27-Jul 3, 2023 | 📅 TBA | 📅 TBA |
| 📅 Jul 25-31, 2023 | 📅 TBA | 📅 TBA |

*We are happy to match solo travelers who would like to share a room with someone of the same gender. If no match exists, due to hotel pricing, we will charge 50% of the single supplement rate. This fee will be collected at the time of the final payment. If a roommate assignment is available this fee will be refunded at the conclusion of the tour.

DAILY RIDE SUMMARY

| Day | Distance/Gain | Terrain | Day Level | Notes |
|-----|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------|
| 1 | Test ride | | | |
| 2 | 50km / 234m (31mi / 768ft) | Gentle | ▶▶▶▶▶ | |
| 3 | 55km / 344m (34mi / 1128ft) | Rolling hills | ▶▶▶▶▶ | |
| 4 | 45km / 216m (28mi / 708ft) | Gentle | ▶▶▶▶▶ | |
| 5 | 66km / 390m (41mi / 1279ft) | Gentle | ▶▶▶▶▶ | |
| 6 | 53km / 312m (33mi / 1023ft) | Gentle | ▶▶▶▶▶ | |
| 7 | Last day | | | |

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ARRIVAL INFO

Meeting time 1:15 p.m. - on Day 1, meet your fellow cyclists and Tour Leaders at the Day 1 Hotel specified on the itinerary.

Note:

As you are planning, remember that the hotels listed in our itineraries are our primary hotels and are - in rare cases - subject to change. Before you make arrangements, **check with us** if your tour departure is guaranteed. If your tour departure is out further than 6 months, please also check with us as there might be slight changes to the itinerary.

The below information will help you plan your arrival. For more tips or other routes, you might like [Rome2Rio](#). The fare and timing information listed below is approximate.

We recommend flying into the Copenhagen Airport (CPH).

From the Copenhagen Airport to the Day 1 Hotel

1. Metro to Norreport station (15 min/DKK 36; we recommend using the ticket machines, credit card only)
2. **Walk** from Norreport station Day 1 Hotel (7 mins)
3. Or Taxi from the airport to the hotel (20 min/DKK 250-300)

DEPARTURE INFO

Your trip ends on the final day after the city tour around 12:30 p.m. back at the hotel.

If you'd like to participate in the walking tour, schedule your homebound flight after 3 PM.

The below information will help you plan your departure. For more tips or other routes, you might like [Rome2Rio](#).

The closest airport is Gothenburg Landvetter (GOT). Copenhagen (CPH) is about 3.5 hours by train.

From the Ending Hotel to the Gothenburg Airport

- *Taxi (20 min/SEK 450)

Or public transportation

1. **Walk** from Ending Hotel to the Nils Ericson Terminalen bus station, located at Gothenburg central station.
2. Flygbuss Airport bus to the airport (30 min/SEK 99)

***Note:** Taxi companies set their prices freely so you can check for the comparative price displayed on the cars. You don't have to take the first taxi in line. Ask if the company applies fixed prices. If they do, then it will be entered in the taxi meter before your journey starts.

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Welcome to Copenhagen

Highlights Copenhagen considered the "most livable city and bike capital of the world"

The Danes are known for their love of bicycling and Copenhagen is renowned for its cycling infrastructure that cities across the world are trying to emulate. With over 390 kilometers (241 miles) of designated bike lanes, it is truly a bicyclist's heaven. The world also looks to Copenhagen for the latest innovations in design, architecture, fashion and visitor's savor the extraordinary culinary revolution that has taken place here over the last decade. We'll meet for a bike fitting and then enjoy a unique Danish dinner to celebrate our Scandinavian adventure.

Copenhagen to Helsingor

Highlights Louisiana Art Museum, Kronborg Castle

Today you will join some of the most practiced bike commuters in the world as we cycle out of Copenhagen on some of Europe's oldest city bike paths. We will bike up the coast past the Louisiana Art Museum on our way to Kronborg Castle which is most famously known for being the setting of Shakespeare's Hamlet. Fall in love with the landscape today while cycling through enchanted forests and along prototypical Danish bike paths.

Helsingor to Halmstad

Highlights Biking along the Kattegattleden Europe's Cycle Route of the Year in 2018

The day starts with a short ferry ride from Denmark to Sweden. From the ferry we will take a train a few kilometers up the coast where our bikes will be waiting for us. From here we will jump on our bikes and introduce our cycling legs to Sweden with a few rolling hills. Before too many miles we'll join the award-winning Kattegattleden bike route and follow it all the way into Halmstad.

DAY 1

Meals Dinner

Lodging  Hotel Kong Arthur

DAY 2

Distance 50 km (31 mi)

Gain 234 m (768 ft)

Terrain Gentle

Level 

Meals Breakfast

Lodging  Hotel Skandia

DAY 3

Distance 55 km (34 mi)

Gain 344 m (1128 ft)

Terrain Rolling hills

Level 

Meals Breakfast, Dinner

Lodging  Hotel Continental
 Best Western Plus
Grand Hotel

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Halmstad – Loop Ride

Highlights Tylösand Beach

Today's loop ride takes us through quiet farmland on our way to Työsand Beach, one of Sweden's top resort towns. Don't be deceived by the moniker "resort", this tiny village is the perfect place to relax and enjoy the irresistible natural setting that surrounds it. Walk a few meters north of Työsand's famous sandy beach to enjoy the Nyrebäcken River estuary, or find a perch at the nearby sand dunes to sit and soak in your surroundings.

Halmstad to Gottskär

Highlights Kattegattleden Cycle Route, Gottskär's charming harbor

We start the day with a short train ride to Varberg. From there we'll rejoin the famous Kattegattleden bike route which covers 395 km (245 miles) from Helsingborg all the way to Göteborg. Today's journey on the path features beaches, tiny fishing villages, and gorgeous coastal views. We will finish in the charming harbor town of Gottskär.

Gottskär to Gothenburg

Highlights Biking along the Kattegattleden into Gothenburg

Today's ride continues along the Kattegattleden bike path with views off the beautiful North Sea coastline as we pedal into the vibrant city of Gothenburg. You will follow bike paths right into the center of the city.

DAY 4

Distance 45 km (28 mi)

Gain 216 m (708 ft)

Terrain Gentle

Level 

Meals Breakfast

Lodging  Hotel Continental
 Best Western Plus
Grand Hotel

DAY 5

Distance 66 km (41 mi)

Gain 390 m (1279 ft)

Terrain Gentle

Level 

Meals Breakfast, Dinner

Lodging  Gottskär Hotell

DAY 6

Distance 53 km (33 mi)

Gain 312 m (1023 ft)

Terrain Gentle

Level 

Meals Breakfast, Dinner

Lodging  Hotel Opera

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Highlights Guided city tour

Meals Breakfast

We'll say good-bye after our guided tour of Gothenburg this morning. Hopefully you are off to explore more of Scandinavia! Whatever you decide, have a wonderful journey.

INCLUDED

WHAT'S INCLUDED

When you book a tour with ExperiencePlus! our goal is to ensure your only focus each day is to hop on your bike and explore scenic cycling routes in new destinations. Inclusions may differ depending on which tour style you pick but all ExperiencePlus! tours include the three most important aspects of a guided bike tour.

- Superb tour leaders who are fun and multilingual, bi-cultural experts, and cycling enthusiasts. They will support you and help you navigate confidently on and off the road.
- High quality bikes selected for the terrain you are cycling on and correct bike fitting to ensure comfortable cycling. More details on our bikes page: <https://www.experienceplus.com/what-to-expect/our-bikes/>
- Thoughtfully designed itineraries and routes that take advantage of stunning cycling destinations and the freedom of bicycle travel.

PRE-TRIP SUPPORT

- Bicycle training programs designed specifically for your tour and fitness level.
- Planning tips on what to pack, hotel recommendations and other helpful details from our Travel Planning Pages: <https://www.experienceplus.com/blog/travel-planning/>
- A gift of your choice (cycling jerseys, socks, or a t-shirt) as our way of saying thanks for choosing ExperiencePlus!
- *Traveler services including assistance booking extra nights at the tour starting and ending hotels. (*Not included on Explorer Tours.)

ON TOUR

- See "What's Included" on your tour Itinerary for tour-specific inclusions.

BICYCLES

For a full list of what's included with your bike see our bikes page (<https://www.experienceplus.com/what-to-expect/our-bikes/>) . If you would like to bring your own pedals and shoes we recommend doing so. On Explorer tours we include a GPS device on all bikes. We ask that you bring your own helmet to ensure the best fit. Please ask if you would like us to provide you with a gently used helmet and we will do so.

NAVIGATING, DAYSHEETS AND VAN SUPPORT:

Each day you'll receive a daily briefing with a highlighted route map. About 14 days prior to your tour, we will provide you with access to RideWithGPS Experiences, our platform

to distribute information on each tour day's activities, meals and ride, as well as GPS-routes.

Daily information also includes Tour Leader phone numbers, hotel information and interesting historical and cultural information. On Classic, Bike and Boat, Spotlight and Expedition tours we also navigate using our signature chalk dust arrows. Our arrows make navigating very easy—you may never need to look at the map. On Explorer tours the terrain and destinations are not always conducive to using chalk arrows so we'll ride as a group or you can navigate on your own with the GPS tracks. On tour you will have a support van providing water and snack resupply, mechanical assistance, a lift for tired cyclists, and luggage transfers. On some itineraries the van will not be able to follow sections of the route that stray from the road for example onto cycling paths.

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Need More Miles? On many days it is possible to add miles to the day, just talk to your tour leader about your options.

Need Fewer Miles? If you aren't sure about your abilities or how much you want to ride remember the support van is available to offer snacks, encouragement, a lift over the next hill, or to the next hotel. You are on vacation and we're here to help make it perfect for you.

TIPPING YOUR TOUR LEADER TEAM:

If you feel your tour leader team has demonstrated great expertise and service, common practice within the travel industry is to tip. Tipping is voluntary and greatly appreciated, and gratuity amounts vary widely. Should you decide to leave a tip, as a guideline, we suggest 5% of the tour cost per traveler – this is for the entire tour leader team, not each tour leader. You can give the tip to any member of the tour leader team, as they share it evenly. In order to avoid social tensions, we encourage you to tip as individuals and not as a group. If you feel your tour leaders did not quite meet your expectations, please let us know. *Tips are included in Expedition pricing.

PHOTOS:

By reserving space on tour, you agree that ExperiencePlus! may use, re-use and reproduce any images, photos or videos sent to us, or taken by our guides or travelers free of charge and without your right to inspection. If you do not want us to use any images of you on tour, you must inform your tour leader in writing at the start of the tour.

STYLES **OUR TOUR STYLES**

We realize that one size does not fit all and there are as many ways to travel by bike as there are different types of cyclists and travelers. No matter what you are looking for in a cycling vacation, we have a tour with just the right pace for you.

Classic Tours: Dream of traveling through a region by bike? then our Classic style bike tours are for you! Our unique chalk arrows lead the way as you explore small villages and world-class cities while traveling at your own pace.

- Tour Length: 7-15 days
- Hotels: 3-4 stars, most itineraries include at least one two-night stay at the same hotel.
- Road Type: Pavement, bike paths.
- Multi-night Stays: Occasionally
- Navigation: Chalk Arrows
- Price: \$\$\$
- Tour Levels: 1-4.5

Explorer Tours: Travel further off the beaten path - we let the destination dictate where we ride, not the road surface.

- Tour Length: 7-8 days
- Hotels: 2-3 stars, occasional multi-night stays at the same hotel.
- Road Type: 30-50% gravel or hard-packed dirt, the rest pavement.
- Multi-night Stays: Occasionally
- Navigation: Group riding and GPS
- Price: \$\$
- Tour Levels: 1-4

Spotlight Tours: Multi-nights stays, loop rides, choose from a selection of activities or enjoy hotel amenities during your free time.

- Tour Length: 6-7 days
- Hotels: 3-5 stars, typically 3-nights spent in one hotel and 2-nights in the other.
- Road Type: Pavement
- Multi-night Stays: Min 2 night stays
- Navigation: Chalk Arrows
- Price: \$\$\$
- Tour Levels: 1-4

Bike and Boat Tours: Spend days cycling and your evenings relaxing on a private boat as you cruise to your next port.

- Tour Length: 7-8 days, some itineraries have land-based extensions available.
- Barge/Boat: 3-4 star, same cabin for the entire boat trip.
- Road Type: Pavement
- Navigation: Chalk Arrows
- Price: \$\$\$
- Tour Levels: 1-4

Expedition Tours: Multi-week tours where you spend long days on the bike with the added satisfaction of pedaling across multiple countries.

- Tour Length: 15-40 days
- Hotels: 2-4 stars, typically there is a 2-night hotel stay every 5-7 days.
- Road Type: Pavement with occasional hard-packed dirt or gravel.
- Multi-night Stays: On rest days
- Navigation: Chalk Arrows
- Price: \$\$\$
- Tour Levels: 4-5

**LEVELS**

We know that travelers have different cycling abilities and preferences for the number of miles, elevation gain, and type of terrain they want on a bicycle tour. We have rated each day of our tours on a scale of 1-5. Our Tour Level's are an average of the day rating on tour. We recommend looking at the daily summary on the PDF and Website Itinerary to see details about each day's ride.

LEVEL 1 - 1.5

Level 1 - 1.5 days will be mostly flat and the distance will rarely exceed 50 km. Level 1 - 1.5 tours are suitable for beginner cyclists, those traveling by bicycle for the first time, or multi-generational groups with a desire for a nice and easy bike tour with plenty of opportunities to stop and enjoy the scenery.

- **Average daily mileage:** 20 - 50 km. (12-30 miles) Be sure to check the day by day itinerary description for the tour you are considering for specific mileages.
- **Gain:** 0-400 M (0-1200 ft)
- **Terrain:** Mostly flat with occasional gentle climbs at a grade of less than 3%, that are sustained for a maximum of 3km. There might be a steeper but short climb.

LEVEL 2 - 2.5

Level 2 - 2.5 days are ideal for riders newer to bicycle touring looking for a bit of a challenge.

- **Average daily mileage:** 30-60 km (18 - 38 miles). Be sure to check the day by day itinerary description for the tour you are considering for specific mileages.
- **Gain:** 400 - 600 m (1200 - 2000 ft)
- **Terrain:** Mostly rolling terrain around 3%. Presents multiple 3% to 4% climbs. May present an occasional steeper climb.

LEVEL 3 - 3.5

Level 3 - 3.5 days are great for active individuals (who run, bike, swim etc. on a regular basis).

- **Average daily mileage:** 50-70km (30-45 miles). Be sure to check the day by day itinerary description for the tour you are considering for specific mileages.
- **Gain:** 600 - 900m (2000 - 2800 ft)
- **Terrain:** Multiple Climbs with grades of 4 - 6%.

LEVEL 4 - 4.5

Level 4 - 4.5 days are the best riding days for avid cyclists or very active individuals who are excited to challenge themselves on a bike.

- **Average daily mileage:** 70-90km (45-55 miles) Be sure to check the day by day itinerary description for the tour you are considering for specific mileages.
- **Gain:** 900-1000m (2800-3600 ft)
- **Terrain:** Presents multiple steep climbs (6% to 8% grades), 1 to 3km long. Alternatively, 4 – 6% grades for 6 kilometers or more.

LEVEL 5 (EXPEDITION)

Our Expedition tours designed for strong riders looking for the challenge of riding across countries or continents. Long daily mileages mean limited van support so we recommend these tours for riders who feel confident that they can ride every mile.

- **Average daily mileage:** 120 km (75 miles). Be sure to check the day by day itinerary description for the tour you are considering for specific mileages.
- **Gain:** 500-2000 m (1600- 6500 ft)
- **Terrain:** Expect and be prepared for any and everything.

REMEMBER

A tour level is the average of the days so we recommend you look at the day level on each day of the itinerary to help you better understand what to expect from your tour.

CHECKLIST

TO DO ONCE YOU'VE BOOKED!

- Read through your Reservation Confirmation (link sent to you by e-mail), it has important information to help you plan your trip!
- Check the date on your passport. The expiration date should extend three months past your date of return to your home country.
- Complete the Customer Information Form:
<https://www.experienceplus.com/blog/travel-planning/customer-information-form/>
- We recommend you take out travel insurance. Find details
at <https://www.experienceplus.com/blog/travel-planning/travel-insurance/>
- Choose a bicycle training program: <https://www.experienceplus.com/blog/travel-planning/bicycle-tour-training/>
- Peruse our country-specific Travel Planning Pages: <https://www.experienceplus.com/blog/travel-planning/>

6 TO 3 MONTHS PRIOR TO TOUR START DATE

- Review the arrival and departure information under the "Travel Information" tab to see meeting place and time, if a reservation on a complimentary ExperiencePlus! Shuttle (if applicable) is required, and other important information to help you plan your arrival and departure.
- Reserve your flights after you know you have a confirmed tour departure. Please check with our office if you do not know if your trip is confirmed.
- Book your pre and post-tour hotel nights.
- Begin your chosen training program
- Final payment is due 90 days (120 days for Bike & Barge/Boat tours) prior to the tour start. Please refer to your Deposit Payment Invoice and the Final Payment Reminder e-mail you have received for detailed instructions.

6 TO 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO TOUR START DATE

- Start reading one of the books or watching one of the movies from our Reading and Movie Lists:
<https://www.experienceplus.com/blog/travel-planning/>.
- Plan what you are going to pack and start packing! Refer to the Packing Lists on our website
at <https://www.experienceplus.com/blog/travel-planning/packing/>
- We'll email you your access code to RideWithGPS Experiences where you will find the Hotel Itinerary, Participant Roster, names and contact information of your Tour Leaders and other important departure information about 2 weeks prior to your tour start date.

DAY OF YOUR FLIGHT

Get as much sleep on the plane as you can. Pack one day of cycling gear in your carry-on just in case. See you soon!