Overview

Bicycle Tours in Croatia: Bicycling the Islands of Dalmatia Plus! the South Coast

OVERVIEW

Croatia's Dalmatian Coast has been a favorite seaside destination among central Europeans for over a century. Join us as we explore this spectacular limestone coastline by bicycle! We begin near Split where you'll see Diocletian's 3rd century palace still inhabited by descendants of the Romans who settled this area and where we'll visit the waterfalls of Krka National Park. On our ride we pedal three of the Mediterranean's most picturesque islands - Brač, Hvar and Korčula - spending time in the picturesque rural areas, ports, and fishing villages. We'll explore the Medieval and Renaissance cities that were so important to the Greeks, Romans, Venetians, Austrians, Hungarians, and Croats. We'll also pedal to the remote interior of coastal Croatia before shuttling you to the beautiful walled city of Dubrovnik, long considered the jewel of the Adriatic.

***If this sounds great but you'd like a shorter tour, check out our Bicycling the Islands of the Dalmatian Coast tour, which features the first 8 days of this tour.***

HIGHLIGHTS

The Dalmatian Coast, Krka National Park, Islands of Brac, Hvar and Korčula, Medieval and Renaissance towns and villages of Primosten, Trogir, Split, Škrip, Pučišća, Stari Grad, Hvar, Korčula, Ston, Mali Ston and Dubrovnik

TOUR FACTS

| Includes                                      | The usual plus... 12 days, 11 nights accommodation, 8 dinners with wine, 11 breakfasts, 1 picnic lunch at Hvar fortress, 1 wine tasting, pick up from Split, shuttle to Dubrovnik, guided visit of Diocletian's palace and Hvar Town; and the usual (see below) |
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| Countries                                    | Croatia                                                               |
| Begin/End                                    | Skradin or Trogir / Mali Ston or Dubrovnik                             |
| Arrive/Depart                                | Airport Split (SPU) / Dubrovnik Airport (DBV)                         |
| Total Distance                               | 427 km (265 miles)                                                    |
| Avg. Daily Distance                          | 47 km (29 miles) per riding day                                       |
| Tour Level                                   | 3.5: Expect short steep hills                                        |
| More Photos                                  | https://experienceplus.smugmug.com/gallery/33150771_TpnqtM            |

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/croatia/dalmatian-islands-plus-south-coast
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*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.*
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ARRIVAL INFO

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 Split Airport (SPU).

We offer two complimentary ExperiencePlus! shuttle options on Day 1 of the tour. Reservations required. Please make your shuttle reservation by emailing us no later than 30 days prior to your tour start date:

- Option A: 8:30 a.m. shuttle from the Meeting Hotel in Split, the Hotel Peristil
- Option B: 9:10 a.m. shuttle from the Split airport

If you can’t meet the shuttle on Day 1, a taxi to Skradin will take about an hour and cost around HRK 700 – HRK 800.

We will be glad to arrange your pre- and post-tour stay at the Hotel Peristil for you upon request. Note that we will not sleep there as a group and the stay there is not included in the tour price.

How to get to the Hotel Peristil:

- Taxi, available outside the airport or call +385-(0)21-895-237 (30 min, HRK 300)
- Buses, available shortly after the arrival of incoming flights, organized by the Pleso prijevoz bus company in cooperation with Croatia Air (45 min, HRK 40)
- Note: The Hotel Peristil is located in the old city, which is inaccessible to vehicle traffic. Taxis and buses will drop you outside the city walls. View map

For more travel planning tips, including our packing lists, visit our Travel Planning Pages.

DEPARTURE INFO

Your tour ends on the final day with a shuttle drop-off either at Dubrovnik town or the airport.

We recommend flying out of the Dubrovnik Airport.

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shuttle reservation by emailing us no later than 30 days prior to your tour start date:

- Option A: to the Dubrovnik Airport (DBV). Arrival by 10:30 a.m.
- Option B: to the Hotel Stari Grad in Dubrovnik. Arrival 11:00 a.m.

We will be glad to arrange your tour-related stay at the Hotel Stari Grad for you upon request. However, Dubrovnik is a popular destination, so if you are planning to spend time in the city, you might want to arrange your own stay as soon as possible. Note that we will not sleep at this hotel or in Dubrovnik as a group and the stay there is not included in the tour price.
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Tour begins in Skradin, shuttle from the airport or pick up in Split

**Highlights** Krka National Park, Skradinski Buk waterfalls, Dalmatian Karst topography

Arrive today in Skradin, a charming town on the edge of Krka National Park, home to the beautiful Skradinski Buk waterfalls. We’ll offer a shuttle from the Split airport (close to the town of Trogir) or from the center of Split. We’ll fit bicycles this afternoon and suggest a test ride into the interior. You can also enjoy a 4 km walk, or boat ride along the river into the national park to visit the seventeen falls where the Krka and Čikola Rivers flow out of the Dalmatian Karst (limestone). The rivers return to their journey underground, a typical "karst topography" phenomenon, below the falls. We’ll have a special seafood dinner this evening.

**Meals** Dinner

**Lodging** Hotel Skradinski Buk

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**Day 1**

**Distance** 63 km (39 mi)  
**Gain** 916 m (3004 ft)  
**Terrain** Rolling  
**Level** 3.0

**Meals** Breakfast, Dinner

**Lodging** Hotel Zora

**Day 2**

**Highlights** Secluded villages of Dalmatia, beach resort hotel, Primošten

We head off through a remote area of Dalmatia to reach our hotel on the beach near Primošten. As you pedal, the landscape will change; olive groves, small family-owned vineyards, and rural villages give way to coastal landscapes and the island-town of Primošten where our hotel lies on the beach. We’ll enjoy an informal grappa tasting and enjoy a traditional Croatian *peka* dinner tonight in a nearby ancient village.

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**Day 3**

**Highlights** Primošten, bicycle ride through vineyards and olive groves, famous town of Trogir

If the beach captivated you yesterday, make sure to wander through the island-village of Primošten this morning before heading off through vineyards and olive groves to the top of the plateau. We ride across beautiful barren land before dropping down to the UNESCO World Heritage town of Trogir where we spend the night. Trogir was a Greek colony in the 4th century BC and later a Roman municipality. Occupied by the Croats after the 7th century, it became a key Medieval port city in the Adriatic. The present town sits on a Roman and Hellenistic street grid inside the 15th century Venetian wall.

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**Distance** 42 km (26 mi)  
**Gain** 619 m (2030 ft)  
**Terrain** Hilly  
**Level** 3.0

**Meals** Breakfast

**Lodging** Hotel Trogir Palace

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Pedal from Trogir to Split, Ferry to Supetar

**Highlights** Trogir, Split including a guided tour of Diocletian's Palace, Island of Brač

We bicycle along the coast today to Split, an ancient Roman city and site of Diocletian's famous palace. Occupying the space of nine football fields, the palace was built at the turn of the 3rd century A.D. and is still inhabited. Actually, the "palace" is really like a small, walled city within a city. We'll take a guide tour of the palace and enjoy an introductory walk of Split. You'll have time to explore further and have lunch before we catch the ferry to the island of Brač this afternoon. From there we pedal to our hotel in the small fishing port of Postira.

**Distance** 37 km (23 mi)
**Gain** 415 m (1361 ft)
**Terrain** Mostly flat
**Level** 1.5
**Meals** Breakfast, Dinner
**Lodging** Hotel Pastura

Loop ride from Postira

**Highlights** Loop ride around the Island of Brač

You have a full day to explore Croatia’s third largest island and one of the most beautiful islands in the Adriatic. What’s your pleasure? A fifty kilometer loop ride through beautiful ancient villages? Or an easier ride up to the oldest town on the island? How about an easy walk to the town of Splitska for lunch? Perhaps you’ll choose a lazy day at the nearby beach; or you might like to fill your whole day with a ride to some of the more remote villages on the island. Whatever your wish.

**Distance** 47 km (29 mi)
**Gain** 716 m (2348 ft)
**Terrain** Very Hilly
**Level** 3.5
**Meals** Breakfast, Dinner
**Lodging** Hotel Pastura

Postira to Bol

**Highlights** Bol and its beautiful beach, Zlatni Rat

We’ll set off along the coast again today, heading west to the town of Pučišća, which is famous for its white stone (used in the White House as well as elsewhere around the world!) Have a cup of coffee along the waterfront before climbing up and over the island of Brač to reach the town of Bol. Our hotel this evening is in the center of town. We’ll meet in the late afternoon to visit the local vintner where you’ll sample some wines from the island.

**Distance** 39 km (24 mi)
**Gain** 783 m (2568 ft)
**Terrain** Very Hilly
**Level** 3.5
**Meals** Breakfast, Dinner
**Lodging** Hotel Kastil
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## Ferry to the island of Hvar and ride to Hvar Town

**Highlights** Jelsa, Stari Grad and Hvar Town

Today we have an early morning transfer by boat that takes us directly to Jelsa on the island of Hvar. Settled by colonists from the Greek island of Paros in the 4th century BC, Hvar Island was dominated for centuries by the Venetians. Visit the coastal villages of Vrboska and Stari Grad before riding to Hvar town through cultivated vineyards surrounded by stone walls and panoramic views of the coastline. Meander through the Medieval alleys of the old town or join the locals in one of the elegant cafés to watch the world go by. We have dinner together this evening and say goodbye to those taking off from here! Additional mileage available.

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## Hvar

**Highlights** Guided walk of Hvar Town, picnic lunch at Hvar fortress

This morning we'll have a guided walk of Hvar Town and a picnic together at the old fortress. We'll enjoy a guided walk of Hvar to learn about the 13th century Venetian fortifications built to protect one of the most important Adriatic ports of the Venetian Republic. After our picnic lunch at the fortress (also called the Spanish Fort), you'll have some time to enjoy the pjaca (piazza), the largest in all of Dalmatia.

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## Hvar speedboat to Vela Luka, Korčula

**Highlights** Korčula, birthplace of Marco Polo, island scenery and views

Today we continue our island-hopping adventure and ferry to our fourth island – Korčula, an ancient Greek colony dating back to the 4th century BC. The island is famous for its white wines - Posip, Rukatac, Grk, beautiful old towns, villages and dark pine forests that cover the island whose quality wood was used for shipbuilding. We will be biking along sleepy stone villages, family vineyards, gardens and discover Korčula’s hidden coves. The rest of the day is planned for exploring the medieval town of Korčula and to get into the sleepy, laid back lifestyle!

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Loop ride on Korčula - Marco Polo's home

**Highlights** Korčula

Today you will have an option to do a loop ride on the island or just relax and do some sightseeing in the town of Korčula – a Venetian fortified town, irresistible to today's visitor, just as it was to medieval travel writers like Marco Polo, who began his life's journey in this town. Today's experience ranges from riding along coastal roads leading to secluded beaches to biking through the vineyards surrounding small, picturesque towns. Did we mention an optional swim break at the beach on the eastern part of the island?

**DAY 10**

- **Distance**: 42 km (26 mi)
- **Gain**: 607 m (1991 ft)
- **Terrain**: Hilly
- **Level**: 3.0
- **Meals**: Breakfast
- **Lodging**: Hotel Korcula, Hotel Liburna

Wine Roads of Pelješac - Mali Ston

**Highlights** Pelješac Peninsula, Ston

We'll bicycle to the ferry port of Korčula and cross over to the Pelješac peninsula. Take time to discover this peninsula – home to some of Croatia's best-known red wines Dingac and Postup, made from Plavac Mali wines, close cousin to Californian Zinfandel. Peljesac offers great views of Mljet and back to Korcula. Today's ride takes you into the hills, along the coast and through huge vineyards (by Croatian standards!). We will visit Ston – a salt producing village, built in the 14th century and famous for the longest (5,5 km) fortified walls in Europe. Ston was a very powerful and prosperous city during the 14th century Dubrovnik Republic.

**DAY 11**

- **Distance**: 66 km (41 mi)
- **Gain**: 1116 m (3660 ft)
- **Terrain**: Very Hilly
- **Level**: 4.0
- **Meals**: Breakfast, Dinner
- **Lodging**: Hotel Ostrea

Shuttle to Dubrovnik

**Highlights** Mali Ston and Dubrovnik

Our tour ends after breakfast this morning. We'll provide a shuttle to the Dubrovnik Airport or town. It is certainly a place you should visit while in this part of the world. Whatever your travel plans, thanks for joining us!

**DAY 12**

- **Meals**: Breakfast
BEFORE YOU LEAVE

- Traveler Services: Assistance with arrival and departure, booking extra nights at your starting and ending tour hotels.
- Bicycle Tour Training programs designed specifically for your tour and fitness level.
- Tour Planning tips on what to pack, reading and movie lists, hotel recommendations and many other helpful tips.
- A complimentary gift of your choice.

ON YOUR BICYCLE TOUR

- Superb tour leaders who are great fun and also bilingual, bicultural experts, and avid cyclists. They're experienced to help you navigate confidently on and off the road.
- Comfortable lodging in 3-4 star hotels located in or near the town square with easy access to your favorite café (bar, gelato, espresso) of the day, always with a private bath.
- All breakfasts & at least half of your dinners each featuring multi-courses, fresh, seasonal specialties and wine or beer for dinners. See specific tour itineraries for details.
- On many tours we also have 1 or 2 lunches - see specific tour itineraries for details.
- Use of a high quality Titanium road bike, hybrid, or an aluminum tandem (aluminum road bikes or hybrid bikes in South America), geared specifically to cruise the flats and help ease you over the mountain. Our bikes come with an odometer so you can track your miles, an expandable rear rack pack to carry your stuff, and one water bottle that's yours to keep. Refer to our bikes page for full details.
- Full van support including: luggage shuttle, water and snack resupply, mechanical assistance, and rides for tired cyclists!
- Special events like wine tastings and cultural visits as described in the trip itinerary.
- All tips and gratuities at tour hotels and group meals.
- Unique and scenic routes, marked with our signature chalk dust arrows that ensure that you won't get lost and have the freedom to travel at your own pace.
- Daily mileage options—for those folks who just can't get enough cycling, we'll suggest optional routes off our marked course.
- Detailed route map, and informational sheets each day that tell you more about the area where you will be riding.
- All the fun (and more) that you expect from your vacation.

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Transportation to and from the bicycling tour including airfare, or train travel.
- Helmets - we ask that you bring your own to ensure the safest fit.
- Meals not listed in the itinerary
- Tour Leader gratuity (with the exception of Expeditions)

AFTER YOUR BICYCLE TOUR

- Deeply discounted tours with our Re-Cycle Program. Your fifth tour with us will be discounted by 50% of the average price of your previous four tours; your tenth tour will be discounted by 100% of the average price of your previous nine tours!
Travelers have different cycling abilities and preferences for the number of miles, elevation gain, and type of terrain they want on a bicycle tour. Our tour levels fall on a scale of 1 - 5. In addition to the overall tour level we have developed daily level summaries to provide an even more detailed look at what kind of cycling you can expect from each day on tour. You’ll find all of the details including mileage, elevation gain, terrain and level for each day of the itinerary to help you better understand what to expect from your tour.

**LEVEL 1 - 1.5**
This day will be mostly flat and the distance will rarely exceed 30 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:** 15-30km. Be sure to check the day by day itinerary description for the tour you are considering for specific mileages.
- **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**
This day is ideal for riders newer to bicycle touring looking for a bit of a challenge, or for individuals who desire shorter days on the bike. On average, level 2 - 2.5 bike tours will ride 30-50 km per day on mostly rolling terrain.

- **Average daily mileage:** 30-50km. Be sure to check the day by day itinerary description for the tour you are considering for specific mileages.
- **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 tours are for active individuals (who run, bike, swim etc. on a regular basis) with the desire to cover longer daily distances on the bicycle. These tours are a great workout when you’re riding as you will average 50-70 km daily with total gain of 2,000-2,800 ft. There will be multiple 4-6% climbs throughout the tour.

- **Average daily mileage:** 50-70km. Be sure to check the day by day itinerary description for the tour you are considering for specific mileages.
- **Terrain:** Multiple Climbs with grades of 4 - 6%.

**LEVEL 4 - 4.5**
Level 4 - 4.5 tours are for passionate cyclists or very active individuals. This level tour is great for cyclists looking to stay in shape and pedal hard they travel across regions or countries. Level 4 - 4.5 tours cover 70-90km daily with 2,800-3,600 ft of gain. Cyclists on a level 4 - 4.5 bicycle tour can expect multiple climbs, some climbs might be short and steep (6-8% for 1-3 km) while others may be sustained (6+ Km) at a 4-6% grade.

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

**LEVEL 5 (EXPEDITIONPLUS!)**
Our ExpeditionPlus! tours designed for strong riders looking for the challenge of riding across countries or continents. Long daily mileages means limited van support so we recommended 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.
- **Terrain:** Expect and be prepared for any and everything.

**REMEMBER**
It is almost always possible to adapt the day’s ride to how you are feeling either by taking advantage of the support van, or asking tour leaders for additional mileage.

**Need More Miles?** On just about every day of every tour it is possible to add miles to the day. Just talk to your tour leader about the 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.

**Chalk Dust Arrows.** Remember, no matter what level of tour you choose ExperiencePlus! uses chalk dust arrows to mark our routes so riders can take the day at their own pace! Whether you prefer to stop at every gelateria, take a hundred photos a day, or push to achieve a new personal best you’ll be happy on our tours.
BICYCLES

Your bike will be equipped with: a men's or women's saddle, a quick release style seat post adjustment, rear rack and expandable pack, pump, patch kit, spare tube, cable lock, cyclometer, rear lights, a water bottle cage (or two) and a water bottle (or two) and a bell. If you would like to bring your own pedals and shoes we recommend doing so—your tour leaders will install them during the bike fitting. We have flat pedals with or without cages available. For safety and hygiene reasons we recommend you bring your own helmet.

Daily Routine (Procedures and Logistics)

DAYSHEETS

Each day you'll receive a daysheet with information on the day's activities, meals and ride, which will be discussed during a briefing. The Daysheets also include Tour Leader phone numbers, hotel information and interesting historical and cultural information about sites that you may want to stop and see along the route. Your Tour Leaders will also post daily announcements in the hotel lobby with information about sightseeing in town or restaurant recommendations for dinners on your own as well as important information about breakfast, luggage down and "arrows down" time.

NAVIGATING ON TOUR

Daily we provide you with a highlighted route map. Of course, we also mark the route every day with our signature chalk dust arrows. Our arrows make navigating very easy—you may never need to look at the map! The arrows also allow you to ride at your own pace. There is no need to "keep up" with the group—this is your ride!

But what if it rains? What happens to the arrows? In a light rain, the arrows actually "set up" and become more permanent. In a heavy rain, they do wash away. If that happens, we'll re-group to cycle together for those who want to continue cycling while those who prefer to stay dry can shuttle.

For the tech-loving riders out there we offer the opportunity to download GPS tracks of most tour routes to your personal GPS device using RideWithGPS.com. Tracks available upon request three to four weeks prior to the departure.

VAN SUPPORT

Full van support including: luggage shuttle, water and snack resupply, mechanical assistance, and rides for tired cyclists!

HOTELS

We have carefully chosen all of our accommodations for their charm and location. They are typically small, family run hotels that offer you a glimpse into the local culture. We prefer hotels near interesting sites in the center of town located along the best cycling route in the area. Because many of the hotels are small not all of the rooms will be exactly the same. We keep this in mind and do our best to distribute rooms fairly by the end of the tour. Our itinerary lists our primary hotels. On rare occasions, listed hotels are subject to change.

MEALS AND RESTAURANTS

Breakfasts: we work hard to arrange complete breakfasts but some hotels still serve continental style breakfasts; cycling is energy intensive so we do recommend you plan for a morning or mid-morning snack on the road at a local café or market.

Water is OK in almost all hotels and in country fountains; if there is a problem, we will advise you.

We'll recommend lunch locations en route and most itineraries include a few group picnics. We limit the number of picnics so you don't feel pressured to be at a certain place in the middle of your ride.

Dinners together are often pre-planned and pre-ordered. We'll ask you if you have special dietary requirements. Pre-planned meals allow us to provide a variety of regional specialties and facilitate efficient service. Water, wine and beer are included.

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 for the entire tour leader team, not each Tour Leader. If you’d like to show your gratitude for your Tour Leaders’ excellent service you can give the tip 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, then we would like to know about it. You will also have the opportunity to leave your comments in our evaluation survey which we email to you after your trip.

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
TO DO ONCE YOU'VE BOOKED!

☐ Read through your Reservation Confirmation Email, 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/

☐ Download the 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

☐ Check the online itinerary of your trip and 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.

☐ 12 weeks before your tour begin your training program https://www.experienceplus.com/blog/travel-planning/bicycle-tour-training/.

☐ 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 List you'll find on the country-specific Travel Planning Pages: 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 your Hotel Itinerary, the Participant Roster, names and contact information of your Tour Leaders and other important departure information about 30 days prior to departure.

DAY OF YOUR FLIGHT

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