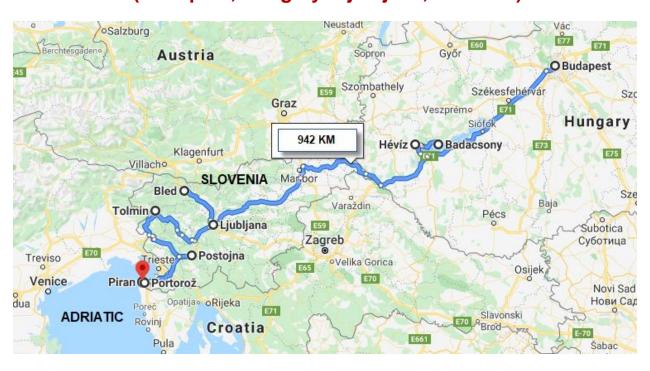
Adriatic to Danube 15-day bike tour starring Giro D'Italia

Slovenia-Hungary - Bike Tour 15 days (14 nights)

Starting in Portoroz, Slovenia along the Adriatic Sea through Slovenia to Hungary finishing in Budapest on the Danube River

April 27, 2020, to May 11, 2020

Visit two countries, two capitals (Budapest, Hungary: Ljubljana, Slovenia)



Accommodation in 4 *, 3* superior establishments with breakfasts in 7 cities or villages. We will be staying 2 evenings per hotel.

- Hotel Marko 4 * Portoroz, Slovenia
- Hotel Center 3* Postojna, Slovenia
- Hotel Slon Superior 4* Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Pension Torok 4* Bled, Slovenia
- Pension Sterk 4* Tolmin, Slovenia
- Park Inn Radisson 4* Zalakaros, Hungary
- Novotel Budapest Danube 4* Budapest, Hungary

An adventure never to be missed

This trip is exceptionally interesting and beautiful nature wise, architecturally and historically. We will travel along the Slovenian Adriatic Coast to see Portoroz where we will be staying three nights as our base to visit Trieste and its Miramire Castle, Koper, Piran, one town more magical than the other on the Adriatic Coast. After we head north to visit Postoina where we will be staying for two nights, we will see its Caves and Castle an architectural delight. Then we will be going to Ljubljana the capital of Slovenia for two nights. Continuing to Bled where we stay for two nights at the base of the Julian Alps. We will then go to Tolmin in the Soca River Valley where we will go river rafting. From Tolmin by charter bus we will go to Héviz, Hungary, the largest thermal medicinal lake in the world, where it is claimed that Sisi the Queen of Hungary, Empress of Austria loved to spend time and cured her ailments. We will then visit lake Balaton the largest lake in Central Europe where you will taste some interesting wines. The trip will end in Budapest on the Danube, the capital of Hungary, one of the most majestic cities in the world, often called the Paris of Central Europe. You will also experience the start of the Giro d'Italia race in Budapest on May 9th.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION: 14 nights, 15 days including the following:

- 15 days, 14 nights with a 2-night stay in each hotel and city mentioned
- 14 Full breakfasts buffet style
- Full course welcome and farewell suppers
- 4 theme-oriented lunches
- Cycling will be moderate to easy.

Guided tours and entry fees at the following locations..

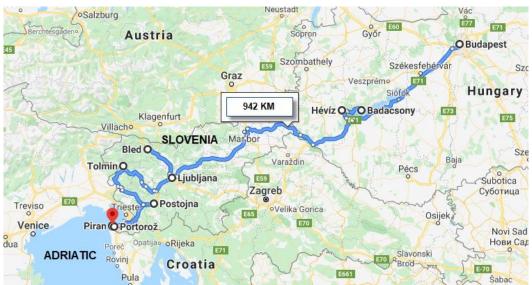
- Postojna Caves and Postojna Castle
- Trieste, Italy Miramar Palace
- · Ljubljana City full-day bike guided tour
- Bled Castle, visit to Bled island on traditional Pletna boats
- Tolmin, Slovenia 6 hour white water rafting tour with guides
- Zalakaros, Hungary Thermal baths and water park
- Heviz, Hungary Thermal lake
- · Budapest City full-day bike guided tour

Service of 3 guides, with 2 driving vans at the front and back of the group, the third guide will be on bike riding along between the departure and destinations. One large suitcase per person 22kg will be transferred by van between hotels. Complete bike

breakdown, repair, and first aid service will be available. Bike rental will be available at a cost of HUF 2,000 or about 8 CAD per day.

Central Eastern Europe





Itinerary: April 27 – May 11, 2020

Day 1, April 27: Meeting point will be at Hotel Marko 4 *, Portoroz, Slovenia where we will be staying 3 nights.

DAY 2, April 28: Bicycle loop from Portoroz, to Trieste visiting Trieste Miramar castle where we will have lunch. We will be returning via Koper and Piran. In the evening we will have a welcome supper in Portoroz restaurant seaside! 70 km

DAY 3, April 29: Portoroz to Postojna. 75 km

DAY 4, April 30: We will be biking the Postojna loop which includes visits to the world-famous Postojna caves and Prejdama castle, all entry fees included. 30 km

Day 5, May 1: Postojna to Ljubljana. 75 kms

Day 6, May 2: Full day biking tour of Ljubljana with local guide. 20 km

Day 7, May 3: Ljubljana to Bled. 75 km

Day 8, May 4: Full day biking, visiting Bled castle. We will also visit Bled island by Pletna boat. There will be a lunch at a typical Slovene farm. 25 km

Day 9, May 5: Bled to Tolmin. 90 km

Day 10, May 6: Tolmin Soca valley with a 6-hour white water rafting on the Emerald River with a guide and lunch. No biking on this day. 25 km

Day 11, May 7: Tolmin to Héviz, Hungary with a large 50 passenger bus. In the afternoon there will a 4-hour entry ticket to Héviz Thermal Lake. 200 km

Day 12, May 8: Biking from Héviz to Badacsony and back with lunch at a local winery, visit to the Tapolca Caves. 70 km

Day 13, May 9: Early morning departure to Budapest also by 50 seater bus, arriving mid of morning at our Duna Novotel Hotel for two nights on the Buda side facing the Parliament and the Chain Bridge. This day will be spent watching the beginning Giro d'Italia race. There will be a farewell dinner.

Day 14, May 10: All day bicycle tour of Budapest.

Day 15, May 11: End of the tour.