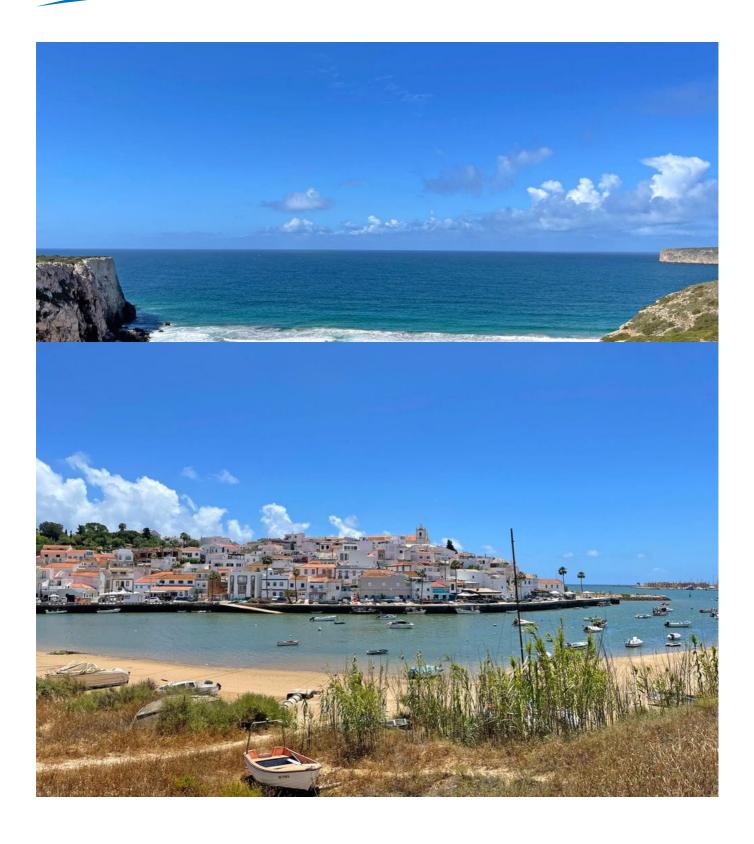
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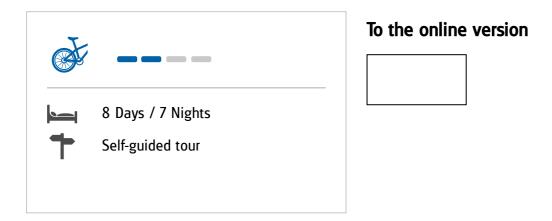
# CYCLING HOLIDAYS ALGARVE, SAGRES - TAVIRA

Cycling: Algarve

### Along Portugal's dream coast

A cycling holiday along the Algarve could not be more diverse. You cycle from Europe's southwesternmost point, the Cape St. Vincent all the way to the Spanish-Portuguese border town Vila Real de Santo Antonio. En route you experience stunning sceneries, romantic fishing villages with lots of tradition, bustling historic centres, secluded bays framed by steep cliffs, fabulous views across the sea and countless endless sandy beaches inviting you to linger or swim. Enjoy the Portuguese hospitality with its excellent cuisine and discover a multifaceted and stunningly beautiful coastline during this cycle holiday from West to East!

The small, delightful coastal town of Sagres with its impressive fortress is the starting point for our cycle tour along the Algarve. From here you will explore what is probably the sunniest coast in Europe and come across some of the most interesting stages, lonely bays and romantic sunsets. Take advantage of every opportunity you have to take a cooling dip in the sea or relax on a beach. Via Lagos, Portimao, Albufeira, Faro and Tavira and you finally get to Vila Real de Santo Antonio, near the border with Spain.



### **ITINERARY**

DAY 1

### **Arrival in Sagres**

Explore the coastal town with its impressive fortress or enjoy the nearby beaches.

DAY 2

### Sagres - Lagos

The first cycle tour already brings you to a very special highlight, the famous lighthouse situated at the Cape St. Vinzenz, Europe's most southwestern point. From the cliffs with a height of nearly 75 metres protruding vertically from the Atlantic you have a spectacular view over the sea and can listen to the roaring waves.

You continue over gentle hills into the fishing village Salema and proceed onto the beach of Burgau. You will be impressed by the famous Ponta da Piedade situated before the gates of Lagos, a marvellous nature monument and one of the best-known picture postcard motifs of the Algarve. In the lively harbour town of Lagos you can ponder this exciting day over a nice glass of wine.

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DAY

### Lagos - Portimao

The beach of Meia offers you today the first opportunity to take a dip in the refreshing sea. Here at low tide observe the countless beach combers on the lookout for delicacies. In Odiáxere a visit to the church dating back to the 16th century is very rewarding and in Alvor a stroll across the market Morabito de São Pedro and through the narrow alleyways of the historic centre.

Enjoy a break here in a typical restaurant offering the catch of the day. You continue cycling along the coast enjoying fantastic views across the sea. Linger for a bit at the beautiful sandy beach Praia da Rocha, before arriving leisurely in your Day Finish Portimao in the afternoon.

🖦 approx. 35 km

DAY 4

### Portimao - Albufeira

Initially the cycle path leads you along the river Arade into the village Ferragudo with its beautiful church and marvellous views across the estuary. You proceed past olive-, cypresses-, orange-, fig- and cork oak trees to Lagoa.

There we recommend you try a traditional Portuguese pastry und visit the chapel Senhora da Rocha situated on a ledge above the sea. Extensive sandy beaches are en route to one of the best known holiday resorts on the Algarve. Albufeira is also your Day Finish.

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DAY 5

### Albufeira - Faro

In the fishing village Olhos de Água there is a stunning beach where you can take a break. Feel the sea breeze on your face and enjoy the fine sand between your toes. In Vilamoura you pass one of the largest marinas of the country and then cycle through pine forests towards the Ria Formosa nature park, one of Portugal's seven natural wonders. Then already in the distance the capital of the Algarve, Faro, appears. Discover the famous historic centre with its lovely restaurants and lively alleyways.

ı.... approx. 50 km

DAY

### Faro - Tavira

You continue along the cycle path through the Ria Formosa nature park. Always with the offshore islands in your field of vision, the few clouds over the Atlantic are reflected in the salt lakes. In Olhão you can take a coffee break at the busy market and enjoy observing the locals on their daily errands.

After that you leisurely continue into the fishing village Fuseta with its characteristic white houses. Today's cycle tour ends on the venerable Roman bridge in the town centre of Tavira. Enjoy the evening in one of the most beautiful and most characteristic towns of the Algarve.

ı.... approx. 40 km



### Excursion to Vila Real de Santo Antonio

Today again the Ria Formosa nature park with its lagoons is your companion. You cycle through pine forest at the beach of Monte Gordo and the dune forest of Vila Real de Santo António until the border between Portugal and Spain.

You follow the border river Guadiana for a bit northwards before you proceed over gentle hills, past orange- and olive groves back towards Tavira. Now at the latest we recommend you toast to a successful and very eventful cycle holiday.

ı‱ approx. 60 km

DAY 8

### Departure or extension

# **TOUR CHARACTER**

Overall, you cycle on gently hilly terrain with mostly only short ascents. Often on cycle paths, agricultural paths and side roads with very little traffic, short sections however also on roads with heavy traffic. Over longer sections you also cycle on gravel paths.



# **PRICES & DATES**

**PLACE OF ARRIVAL: SAGRES** 

Season 1	Season 2	Season 3
06.01.2024 - 22.03.2024	23.03.2024 - 10.05.2024	11.05.2024 -
02.11.2024 - 07.12.2024	28.09.2024 - 01.11.2024	27.09.2024
Arrival Saturday	Arrival Saturday	Arrival Saturday

Algarve, 8 days, Sagres - Tavira, PO-AGRST-08X			
Base price	915	1′119	1′435
Surcharge single room	639	639	639

Category: 4\*- hotels

# **ADDITIONAL NIGHTS**

**PLACE OF ARRIVAL: SAGRES** 

	<b>Season 1</b> Jan 6, 2024 - Mar 22, 2024   Nov 2, 2024 - Dec 7, 2024   Arrival Saturday	<b>Season 2</b> Mar 23, 2024 - May 10, 2024    Sep 28, 2024 - Nov 1, 2024    Arrival Saturday	<b>Season 3</b> May 11, 2024 - Sep 27, 2024    Arrival Saturday
Sagres			
Double room p. P.	109	119	129
Surcharge single room	79	79	79
Tavira			
Double room p. P.	89	89	129
Surcharge single room	89	89	89

### Our rental bikes

	Price
Electric bicycle	289
Bicycle 21-gear unisex	109
Bicycle 21-gear gents	109
Bicycle-PLUS	189

Prices per person in CHF

### **SERVICES & INFORMATION**

### Services

#### Included:

- Accommodation in your selected category incl. breakfast
- Welcome briefing (German, English)
- Daily luggage transfer
- Carefully elaborated route
- Detailed travel documents 1 x per room (German, English, French)
- Navigation-app, GPS-data
- Service hotline

#### Note:

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

#### Optional:

 Return transfer with minibus every Saturday morning from Tavira to Faro airport, costs CHF 59.-, for your own bicycle additionally CHF 49.-, reservation is necessary, to be paid for in advance

#### Information

#### Arrival/Parking/Departure:

Faro airport

#### Other important information:

- The distance travelled is approximate and may differ from the actual distance.
- Travel cancellation insurance, including travel interruption insurance is recommended.

# **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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