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BIKE HOLIDAYS CANAL DU MIDI

Cycling: Canal du Midi

Enjoyment and Precious Buildings

60.000 trees have been planted along Canal du Midi in France to affix the bank. Until today many trees are seaming the waterway which leads from Toulouse to the Mediterranean Sea. The trees also shade the tow paths and roads which are leading during this journey to the numerous cultural monuments: to cathedrals and palaces, to roman and medieval buildings. Besides richness of culture there are also culinary delicacies located at Canal du Midi. Great wine is growing and wonderful cuisine has its origin here. Enjoyment is tradition.



10 Days / 9 Nights



Self-guided tour

To the online version



ITINERARY

DAY
1




Arrival in Toulouse

Individual arrival to Toulouse in the late afternoon. Toulouse is also called the "ville rose" because of the reddish stone of many buildings. One sight is the Basilica St-Sernin de Toulouse, a culinary speciality is the duck breast with green beans.

DAY
2

Toulouse – Castelnaudary




Castelnaudary is the largest port at the Canal du Midi, and even the largest wine freighters could turn around here. French people take long journeys to pay their culinary respects to the town of the hearty bean stew "Cassoulet".

 approx. 60 km  120 – 145 m  95 – 115 m

DAY
3

Castelnaudary – Mirepoix

Follow the Canal du Midi to Bram, then head towards the Pyrenees. On an old railway line converted for cyclists, the climb is moderate, you roll through railway tunnels, over viaducts and bridges to Mirepoix, an enchanting bastide from the Middle Ages.

 approx. 40 km  25 – 65 m  105 – 130 m

DAY
4

Mirepoix – Carcassonne

Carcassonne free disposal or a round trip to Montolieu. There are 15 antique stores with over 200.000 books in the worth seeing city of book "Montagnes Noires". The former royal textile manufacturing was declared to a National Monument in 2004.

 approx. 60 km  205 m  205 m

DAY
5

Roundtrip to Montolieu




Montolieu is a wonderful city at the edge of the Montagnes Noires. There are 15 antique stores with over 200.000 books in this worth seeing city of book. The former royal textile manufacturing was declared to a National Monument in 2004. Further overnight in Carcassonne.

 approx. 40 km  40 – 75 m  90 – 170 m

DAY
6

Carcassonne – Olonzac/Surroundings




Olonzac is the centre of the winegrowers in the Minervois, Homps was the shipping port. Vines everywhere, the Montagne Noire and the Corbière in sight, here you practise doing nothing on the canal. Overnight stay in Olonzac or Homps.

 approx. 45 km  25 – 30 m  60 – 70 m

DAY
7

Olonzac/Surroundings – Narbonne

The destination of your journey today is Narbonne, you will change to the Canal, driving along the Canal de la Robine towards the Mediterranean Sea. Great buildings of the Middle Ages are the unfinished cathedral and the palace of the archbishops. Another highlight is the market hall "Les Halles", it was awarded as the most beautiful in France. One overnight stay in Narbonne.

 approx. 45 km  120 – 150 m  70 – 105 m

DAY
8

Narbonne – Béziers

You drive via Capeatang to Béziers, passing the famous Canal Tunnel. Once a rich wine-growing metropolis, to which many magnificent buildings bear witness, Béziers is also the birthplace of Paul Riquet, the builder of the Canal du Midi. The archbishop's palace watches over the town, and the attraction on the canal are the Neuf Écluses, the Nine Locks. One night in Béziers,

 approx. 45 km  30 – 35 m  85 – 90 m

DAY
9

Beziers – Sète

The further you cycle, the saltier the air becomes. The cycle path leads directly along the sea towards Sète, the largest French fishing town on the Mediterranean, also called “Little Venice of the Languedoc” because of its many canals. Here, an evening stroll can be excellently combined with a good meal; the town’s origins are Italian - and so is its cuisine. One overnight stay in Sète.

 approx. 65 km  50 m  70 m

DAY
10

Departure or extension

TOUR CHARACTER

You will cycle on partly uneven, with roots interspersed sand and pebble paths, partly asphalted, as well as on little frequented side roads.



PRICES & DATES

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: TOULOUSE

	Season 1 13.04.2024 - 26.04.2024 24.09.2024 - 07.10.2024 Arrival Saturday	Season 2 27.04.2024 - 14.06.2024 15.09.2024 - 23.09.2024 Arrival Saturday	Season 3 15.06.2024 - 14.09.2024 Arrival Saturday
Canal du Midi, 10 days, cat. A, FR-CMRTS-10D			
Base price	1'665.-	1'859.-	1'979.-
Surcharge single room	449.-	449.-	449.-
Canal du Midi, 10 days, cat. B, FR-CMRTS-10X			
Base price	1'345.-	1'535.-	1'629.-
Surcharge single room	379.-	379.-	379.-

Category A: 3*- and 4*-hotels (french classification) and Cambre d’hotes

Category B: 2*- and 3*-hotels (french classification) and Cambre d’hotes

ADDITIONAL NIGHTS

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: TOULOUSE

	Season 1 Apr 13, 2024 - Apr 26, 2024 Sep 24, 2024 - Oct 7, 2024 Arrival Saturday	Season 2 Apr 27, 2024 - Jun 14, 2024 Sep 15, 2024 - Sep 23, 2024 Arrival Saturday	Season 3 Jun 15, 2024 - Sep 14, 2024 Arrival Saturday
Toulouse			
Double room p. P. cat. A	99.-	99.-	99.-
Surcharge single room	85.-	85.-	85.-
Sète			

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Double room p. P. cat. A	129.-	129.-	129.-
Surcharge single room	115.-	115.-	115.-
Toulouse			
Double room p. P. cat. B	89.-	89.-	89.-
Surcharge single room	69.-	69.-	69.-
Sète			
Double room p. P. cat. B	89.-	89.-	89.-
Surcharge single room	69.-	69.-	69.-

Our rental bikes

	Price
Bicycle 21-gear unisex	135.-
Bicycle 21-gear gents	135.-
Bicycle 7-gear unisex	135.-
Bicycle 7-gear gents	135.-
Bicycle-PLUS	209.-
Electric bicycle	335.-

Prices per person in CHF

SERVICES AND INFORMATION

Services

Included:

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

Note:

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

Optional:

- Return transfer from Sète to Toulouse (minimum 2 people, maximum 8 people) every Saturday and Monday, costs CHF 135.- per person, extra CHF 30.- for your own bike, reservation is necessary, payable on the spot

Information

Arrival/Departure:


- Train station Toulouse or Sète
- Airports: Toulouse, Montpellier or Béziers/Cap d'Agde
- Cat. A: Parking spaces at the hotel, costs approx. CHF 15.- per night, no reservation possible.
Cat. B: Parking house near the hotel, costs approx. CHF 15.- per night, no reservation possible.


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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