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CYCLING HOLIDAYS VIARHONA 1: GENEVA - LYON

Bicycle: ViaRhona France

From Geneva to Lyon

The seven days of the cycle tour between Geneva and Lyon all have one thing in common: the Rhône! France's water-richest river accompanies you every day, and even if when you swap it for sleepy towns and sunflower fields, it will get your attention again in the following stage. First in Switzerland, and then further on in France, you cover 265 kilometres of the Rhône cycle path, which is 880 kilometres long in total. When you arrive in Lyon and the scent of French cuisine fills the streets, you can look back on an eventful cycling holiday.

Between the ‘smallest metropolis in the world’ Geneva and the gourmet capital of Lyon are seven days of cycling and numerous moments of happiness. Everyone finds their own way: some customers appreciate the pretty villages and towns of Campagneux or Meximieux. Others are fascinated by the varied nature, which presents itself at its most beautiful on the Rhône. The steep vineyards are an impressive sight! Check out the Rhône Cycle Path!



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-guided tour

To the online version



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DAY
1

Arrival in Geneva




Enjoy your stay at the harbour in Geneva with its famous water fountain ‚Jet d’ Eau’ and in the picturesque old part of town of the ‚smallest metropolis in the world’ – with its cosmopolitan flair and brimming with art and vitality.

DAY
2

Geneva – Seyssel

You leave Geneva and follow the river Rhône through the Défilé de l’Écluse, a narrow river passage through the mountains. Only after just a few kilometres, you cycle along the first vineyards and your gaze fixes on the mountains of the Savoyer Alps and Mont Blanc.

Today’s destination is Seyssel, where two suspension bridges connect the pretty houses and squares on the left and right hand-side of the river Rhône.

 approx. 60 km  490 – 510 m  635 – 640 m

DAY
3

Seyssel – Champagneux

On either side of the river Rhône vineyards rise up steeply. You however cycle on flat terrain along the riverbank and enjoy the view. We suggest you have your first break in Chanaz with its charming houses dating back to the 15th and 16th century and its restaurants located directly at the edge of the canal. Afterwards the river Rhône breaks up and you follow the Western branch until Champagneux.

 approx. 60 km  255 m  225 m

DAY
4

Panorama-Trip Champagneux




Today you cycle on remote country lanes up to the viewing plateau of Rochefort. Past the Château de Mandrin the route leads you through orchards to marvellous panoramic views. Back at the hotel, you can enjoy the sun terrace, the indoor pool or the renowned restaurant with its French delicacies.

 approx. 25 km  415 m  415 m

DAY
5

Champagneux – Pérouges/Meximieux


The Rhône cycle path takes you directly along the riverbank through the harmonious border scenery between Ain and Isère. In Perrozan you leave the river and cycle through little hamlets with medieval flair until today's destination the romantic perched village of Pérouges. Due to its amazing historic village centre, Pérouges is considered one of the most beautiful villages in France.

 approx. 70 km  265 – 290 m  290 – 325 m

DAY
6

Looptour Pérouge/Meximieux

Today's trip is through the Teichlandscape of Dombes, to the abbey Notre Dame and the Villars de Dombes.

 approx. 55 – 60 km

DAY
7

Pérouges/Meximieux – Lyon

You cycle on remote paths through lush meadows and fields back to the river Rhône. Now you follow the riverbank along the well-constructed cycle path all the way into the centre of Lyon.

Since 1998 the old part of town is part of the UNESCO World Cultural Heritage. Marvel at the numerous architectural highlights and enjoy your final evening in one of the countless exquisite restaurants.

 approx. 50 km  95 m  135 m

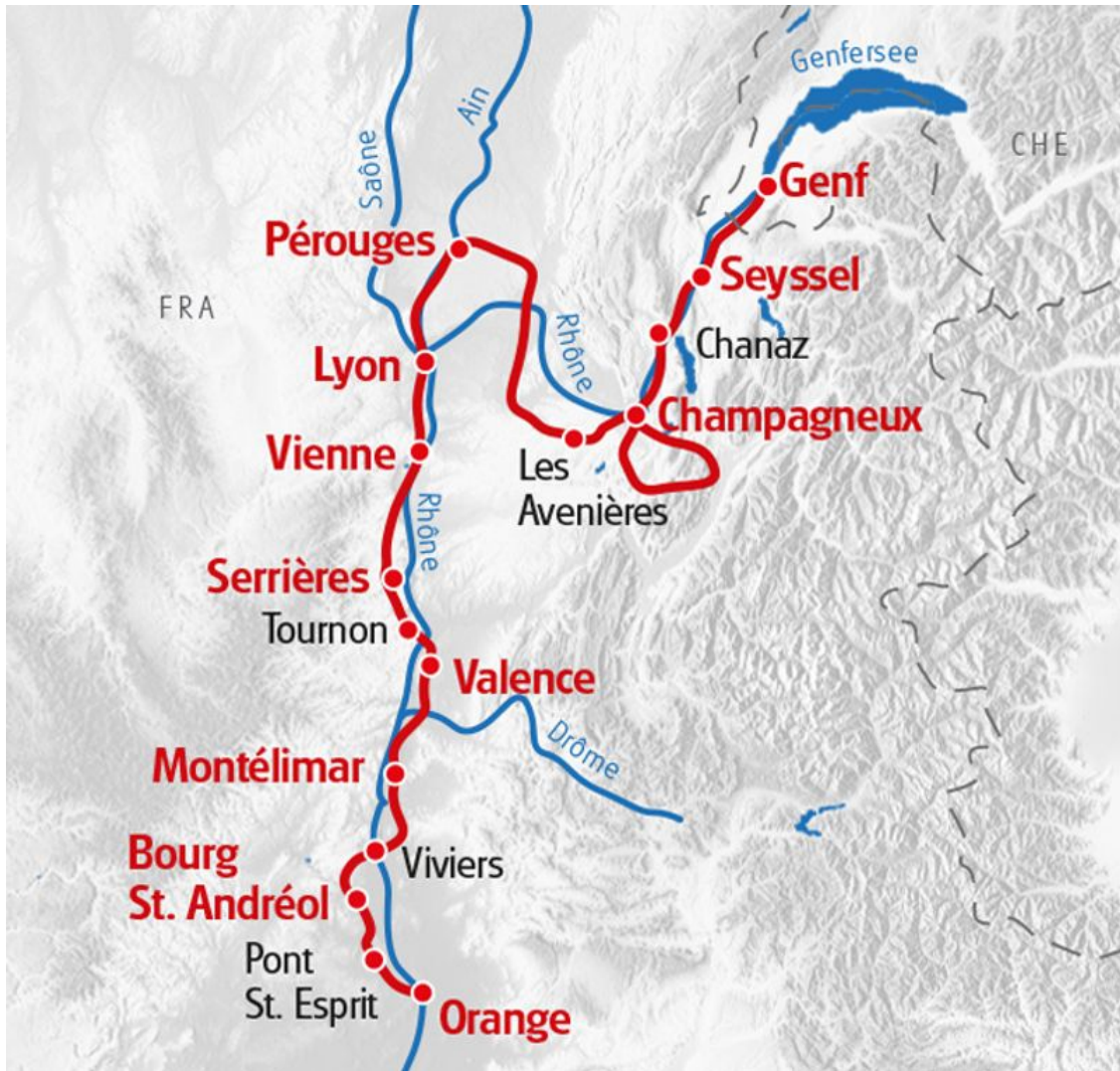
DAY
8

Departure or extension

Furthermore we recommend the connecting tour from Lyon to Orange.

TOUR CHARACTER

On day 1 and day 3 there are a few longer ascents to be tackled. On all other stages the terrain is nearly flat throughout and easy to cycle on. Except for a few interruptions, the Rhône-cycle path is well constructed and it is a perfect example for signposting and routing.



PRICES & DATES

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: GENEVA

	Season 1 21.04.2024 - 04.05.2024 30.09.2024 - 06.10.2024 Arrival Sunday	Season 2 05.05.2024 - 15.06.2024 16.09.2024 - 29.09.2024 Arrival Sunday	Season 3 16.06.2024 - 15.09.2024 Arrival Sunday
Geneva - Lyon, 8 days, FR-RORGL-08X			
Base price	1'099.-	1'275.-	1'365.-
Surcharge single room	389.-	389.-	389.-

Category: 2* and 3* hotels, 1x 4* hotel (French classification)

ADDITIONAL NIGHTS

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: GENEVA

	Season 1 Apr 21, 2024 - May 4, 2024 Sep 30, 2024 - Oct 6, 2024 Arrival Sunday	Season 2 May 5, 2024 - Jun 15, 2024 Sep 16, 2024 - Sep 29, 2024 Arrival Sunday	Season 3 Jun 16, 2024 - Sep 15, 2024 Arrival Sunday
Geneva			
Double room p. P.	135.-	135.-	135.-
Surcharge single room	89.-	89.-	89.-
Lyon			
Double room p. P.	95.-	95.-	95.-
Surcharge single room	79.-	79.-	79.-

Our rental bikes

	Price
Bicycle 21-gear unisex	179.-
Bicycle 21-gear gents	179.-
Electric bicycle	299.-

Prices per person in CHF

SERVICES AND INFORMATION

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as mentioned incl. breakfast
- Daily luggage transfer
- Well developed route
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English)
- GPS tracks available
- 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)

Information

Arrival/Parking/Departure:


- Geneva train station
- Geneva airport
- Good train connection from Lyon to Geneva
- Chargeable parking at the hotel, costs approx. CHF 25.- per day, 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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