



FRANCE

CYCLING HOLIDAY - ALSACE WINE ROUTE (TOUR CODE: 11674)

STARTS AND ENDS

Strasbourg to
Colmar

TRAVEL PERIODS

01 Mar 2023 - 31 Oct 2023

EXPERIENCE

Food & Wine
Cycling

TRAVEL STYLE

Active Holiday Packages

This cycling trip will take you to the heart of Alsace, nestled between Germany and the Vosges mountains. Explore the Alsatian Wine Route!

Highlights

- A **detailed Road Book** allows you to travel freely with all the information you need for your trip! It boasts colour maps, highlighted routes, touristic information, orientation points to reach hotels, and easy to follow step by step directions!
- **The SCOTT SUB SPORT 20 Bike** (or equivalent) features a sporty "trekking" geometry that suits trips of all distances. Equipped with a Shimano 27 speed transmission and integrated front and rear lights, this bike is begging to go on an adventure.
- **Cycle at your own pace** (Self-guided), stopping when you see something truly remarkable or if you simply want to rest and recharge.
- Take in the stunning surrounding scenery as you arrive in **Turckheim**, known for its Gewurztraminer, traditional Alsatian cuisine!
- Discover **Colmar's** German Gothic architecture and early Renaissance style
- Explore the medieval town of **Riquewihr**, one of the most beautiful villages in France.
- Wine Tasting at The **Alsace Remy Kieffer Wines**

Cycling up the Mont Sainte Odile and through vineyards. You will visit the medieval town of Riquewihr, one of the 'Most Beautiful Villages in France' also famous for its great wine. The trip ends in Colmar with its very well preserved historical city centre and its German Gothic architecture and early Renaissance style.

Alsace produces some of the best wines in France, such as Pinot Gris, Riesling and Gewürztraminer. The region also offers gourmet cuisine and has more Michelin star restaurants than any other region, so make sure you sample the delicious local dishes as well as the wine!



- ✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

INCLUSIONS

- 1 night in Strasbourg at Hotel Hannong - 4*
- 2 nights in Obernai at Hotel La Cour d'Alsace - 4*
- 1 night in Riquewihr at Hotel Le Schoenenbourg - 3*
- 2 nights in Colmar at Hotel St Martin - 3*
- Hybrid bike rental included
- 7 meals included - 6 breakfasts, 1 dinner
- Orientation in person with local guide
- Detailed ROAD BOOK, including details maps, touristic information, step by step itinerary and cue sheets
- Wine Tasting at The Alsace Remy Keiffer Wines
- 1 GPS for every 1-3 people
- All luggage transfers
- Comprehensive trip literature
- Technical and emergency support available at all times

ITINERARY

Map Alsace Wine Route Cycle Tour

Average / Day : Distance : 38.00 Km

Elevation gain : 470.17 Metres



Day **1**

Strasbourg

Arrive in Strasbourg

This city has easy rail access from Paris with the newly opened TGV line. Rail access from Frankfurt is also possible. Transfer to your Strasbourg hotel on your own and any free time is yours to explore this fantastic city. Orientation and bike set up with our local representative at your hotel. Old Strasbourg is typically cobbled walking streets, half timbered houses with carved stone porches and courtyards.

Overnight in Strasbourg at **Hotel Hannong**.



Day **2**

Strasbourg Obernai

Ride the Wine Route of Alsace to Obernai

Distance 1 : 45 Km

Elevation gain 1 : 305 Metres

Start your tour by riding out of Strasbourg on a well marked bicycle path which makes getting out of this city easy. You ride south to Obernai through charming small villages and the start of the wine route. Discover some of the many castles and vineyards in the surroundings.

Overnight in Obernai at **Hotel La Cour d'Alsace**.

Breakfast, Dinner



Day

3

Obernai

Loop Ride to the Mount Sainte Odile

Distance 1 : 34 Km

Elevation gain 1 : 710 Metres

Today is a loop tour in the countryside around Obernai including Ottrot and the Mont St Odile. Visit the Mont Saint Odile Monastery, which was founded during the Merovingian periods by Saint Odile, daughter of the Duke Adalric. In the Middle Ages, the Monastery was destroyed and then later rebuilt by Herrade of Landsberg.

Overnight in Obernai at **Hotel La Cour d'Alsace**.

Breakfast



Day **4**

Obernai Riquewihr

Ride to Riquewihr

Distance 1 : 49 Km

Elevation gain 1 : 669 Metres

Today you will cycle to Riquewihr, a medieval town right in the heart of the Alsatian vineyards, classified among the 'Most Beautiful Villages in France'. For centuries this magnificent town has managed to combine the quality of its architecture with the quality of its world-famous wines, from where it gets its nickname 'The Gem of the Alsace Vineyards'. Stay in a nice hotel in the old town.

Remy Kieffer - Itterswiller - Wine Tasting - (Included)

The Alsace Remy Kieffer Wines, are the sum of more than a century of knowledge, an exceptional terroir and the microclimate of Itterswiller. The production is overseen by a dynamic team, who aim to achieve the perfect balance between modernity and tradition. Know how, patience and respect to the nature, makes the Remy Kieffer, wines unique and a truly tasting experience. (Not available on Sundays)

Overnight in Riquewihr at **Hotel Le Schoenenbourg**.

Breakfast



Day **5**

Riquewihr Colmar

Ride to Colmar

Option 1 : 21 Km

Option 2 : 38 Km

Elevation gain 1 : 196 Metres Elevation gain 2 : 599 Metres

Ride from Riquewihr to Colmar, passing by Turckheim.

Turckheim is a former fortified town. You can still see the ramparts, which are exceptionally well preserved. The village also has several half-timbered houses, typical of the region. It is a nice ride through flowered villages like Kayersberg and your final destination, **Colmar**. There is a more challenging option to ride then spend the night in a charming hotel in the centre of the city.

Overnight in Colmar at **Hotel St Martin**.

Breakfast



Colmar

Loop Ride or Visit Colmar

Distance 1 : 41 Km

Elevation gain 1 : 342 Metres

Ride a loop tour into the countryside to the charming little village of **Eguisheim**, part of the Alsace wine route. Back to Colmar, this is home town of sculptor Frederic-Auguste Bartholdi (best known for the Statue of Liberty). The well-preserved old city centre houses several, sometimes large-scale buildings in German Gothic and early Renaissance style, as well as a number of old churches, among which the collegial Saint-Martin (13th-16th Century) is the largest and most noteworthy.

Overnight in Colmar at **Hotel St Martin**.

Breakfast



Colmar

Check out of your hotel in Colmar and you're off to your next destination!

You have easy rail access from Colmar to Strasbourg, from where you can catch a train back to Paris or Frankfurt.

Breakfast

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Electric assisted bike rental

Upgrade to a Scott Sub Tour Electric-Ride 10 or the Cannondale Mavaro HS City (or similar).

With comfortable geometry, and ePowered by Bosch with a 400wh battery, those bikes are the ideal touring bike and are ready to provide many kilometres with no worries. Your bike rental comes with 2 bags (1 Rear pannier + 1 front pannier) so you can easily carry your stuff during your ride.

Included with your bike rental :

- Helmet
- Lock
- Hand pump
- 2 spare tubes
- Rear pannier
- Toolkit
- Tire levers
- Patch kit
- 1 souvenir water bottle
- Pedals are included, flat by default or toe straps on request

Note: "Please note that any bike change during the trip may incur an extra fee."



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

ACCOMMODATION

Hotel Hannong

Strasbourg

Close to the station, right in the centre of town and a stone's throw away from the main tourist attractions, the Hannong Hotel combines all the attributes for a completely unique stay in Strasbourg. You can take advantage of the hotel as you please, so that you can discover the charms of Strasbourg and all it has to offer: food, art, culture, architecture... and many more!



Hotel La Cour d'Alsace

Obernai

The stylishly renovated buildings of the hotel provide for a cosy atmosphere. Original wooden-beamed ceilings, the painstakingly refurbished half-timbering, and the artistic witnesses of centuries past create a link between the guest and the culture and history of Alsace, its cuisine and hospitality. Hotel la Cour d'Alsace is located in the meticulously restored medieval old town of Obernai in Alsace. This former manor house and wine cellar of the distinguished Baron De Gail family gave rise to a hotel whose refined courtly character conveys an atmosphere of intimacy to its guests.



Hotel Le Schoenenbourg

Riquewihr

Located along the historic wine route, the Hotel Le Schoenenbourg combines tradition, comfort and modernity. It is open all year long to provide you with a quiet stay in Alsace. You'll be in the best place to enjoy the Alsatian gastronomy and wines. To relax, the hotel provides an outdoor swimming pool (from May to October), a sauna, a solarium and a fitness room. The hotel staff are always ready to make your stay delightful in this beautiful country.



Hotel St Martin

Colmar

Hotel Saint-Martin, a truly patrician residence standing in the heart of Colmar's historic centre, with its Louis XVI facade, turret, Renaissance staircase and charming inner courtyard. The hotels charm and character is echoed in its decor, from reception to rooms, providing a truly restful and calm atmosphere. The Hotel Saint-Martins privileged location in the very centre of Colmar, in the middle of Alsace, gives you a wide choice of cultural and gastronomic excursions.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
French	EUR

Our hotels or B&B provide amenities that are ideal for active vacations, located in easy walking distance to downtowns, restaurants and sightseeing. We prioritise family-owned, authentic accomodations over large chains. If the hotel advertised on our website is full, we will book you in another hotel similar in category.

Blackout dates may apply during festive season.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package