

#### FROM CASTLE TO CASTLE IN THE LOIRE VALLEY (DELUXE)

The Loire Valley is known for its romantic castles, famous gardens, and historic churches, as well as the picturesque villages and its delicious wine. The longest river in France and its tributaries, Vienne, Cher and Indre, are welcoming you with their marvellous surrounding. The well-balanced combination of culture and nature will make this cycling tour an unforget-table trip.

DIFFICULTY

KM 1 263

8 days 7 nights ARRIVAL Daily 15.03 - 27.10.25

## Day 1 Arrival

Departure from Tours, Capital of Touraine. Before beginning your cycling tour, do not forget to visit this beautiful city with its gothic cathedral, and old quarters.

## Day 2 Tours - Montsoreau 65 km

You will leave the city along the riverside of the Loire. A few kilometres further, you arrive at the famous gardens of Villandry Castle. From the little roads parallel to the Loire, you have a nice view of the wilder sides of the Loire River. Passing among fields you will arrive at Sleeping Beauty's castle, in Ussé. You then cycle up to Montsoreau.



# Day 3 Montsoreau - Saumur - Fontevraud - Montsoreau 33 km

Today, you will cycle from Montsoreau, by Saumur, to Fontevraud, one of the largest abbeys in France, which was built during the  $12^{\text{th}}$  century under the protection of the Plantagenets' family. Henry II, Richard the Lionheart as well as Eleanor of Anquitaine are buried here. On your way back to Montsoreau, you will cycle among the vineyards of Anjou.

## Day 4 Montsoreau - Chinon -Azay-le-Rideau 57 km

On the way to Azay le Rideau, you will cycle through the beautiful town of Chinon and afterwards through nice forests.



On your arrival in Azay le Rideau you will be struck by the charms of the Indre Valley: romantic riversides, beautiful houses made of stone, and the amazing castle described as a jewel by the french writer Honoré de Balzac.

# Day 5 Azay-le-Rideau - Chenonceaux 59 km

You will leave the Indre Valley in order to follow the Cher Valley. Passing through Montbazon, and Bléré, nice little towns. Followed by the famous castle of Chenonceau called « Château des Dames ». Maybe behind a door or during a walk in the magnificent gardens you will meet the ghosts of Catherine de Medicis or Diane de Poitiers.

## Day 6 Chenonceaux - Amboise 18 km

Today's route will lead you to the royal castle of Amboise. In Amboise, do not miss the visit of Clos Lucé, famous house where Leonardo da Vinci spent the last years of his life.

## Day 7 Amboise - Tours 31 km

The last cycling day will be an unforgettable ride. You will follow the banks of the fascinating river Loire back to Tours. On your way back, you will see troglodyte houses and the beautiful cathedral of Tours.

### Day 8 Departure

Your cycling trip in Loire Valley is unfortunately finished but you will bring back home a complete range of great memories...

#### SELF-GUIDED CYCLING TOUR



#### ROLLTE CHARACTERISTIC

Partly on cycle paths and little side routes, always asphalted, between the valleys slight climbs.

#### SERVICES INCLUDED

- 1 night in a 5-star-hotel
   6 nights in 4-star-hotels
- Daily breakfas
- Welcome talk
- Daily luggage transfer
- Itinerary on our app
- Route books, maps and information material
- 7/7 Service Hotline

#### PER PERSON

ROOM WITH 2 PART.

with B&B in DBL / SGL 1658 € / 2406 €

ROOM WITH 4 PART.

with B&B in DBL / SGL 1572 € / 2320 €

**EXTRA NIGHT** 

Tours DBL / SGL 121 € / 184 €

**BIKE RENTAL** 

1/27-Gear Hybrid bike 160 €
-Bike (250 € deposit) 260 €

City tax is not included and has to be paid on the spot.

### **POSSIBLE OPTIONS**

Rental of helmets, phone holder

