

# ATLANTIC LOIRE



*Highlights*  
 Along the Vélodyssée  
 Vineyards and the Loire by bike  
 Towns of Art and History,  
 UNESCO sites



## VÉLODYSSÉE: FROM NANTES TO BORDEAUX

Discover the Vélodyssée, from Nantes to Bordeaux, through varied and enchanting landscapes. An itinerary suited to all levels, with comfortable stages and total immersion in the beauty of the Atlantic coast. A unique cycling adventure, combining nature and culture.

<b>LEVEL</b> ●●●○	<b>KM</b> 526	<b>DURATION</b> 11 Days 10 Nights	<b>DEPARTURE</b> Daily 15.04 - 15.10.25
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### Day 1 Arrival

Arrive in Nantes, birthplace of French writer Jules Verne and famous for its unique Verne-inspired Machines de l'île. It features a giant mechanical elephant that takes visitors on rides through the city. The town is also famous for its medieval Château des Ducs de Bretagne and its Muscadet wine.



### Day 2 Nantes - St Brévin les Pins 59 km

Leaving the city, you follow the Loire, admiring its impressive river scenery. Crossing the Breton hinterland, you join the coastal cycle path, passing several ports and locks with their famous fishing boats. Arrive at Saint-Brevin-les-Pins, famous for its beaches, dunes and the Serpent d'océan, an emblematic work of art.

### Day 3 St Brévin - Pornic - Bouin 51 km

Leaving Saint-Brevin-les-Pins, you'll follow the coast towards Pornic, passing through landscapes of dunes and pine forests. In Pornic, take a break to admire its charming harbor and its castle overlooking the ocean. You'll then follow the Vélodyssée along the coast, between wild creeks and salt marshes, before reaching Bouin, in the heart of the Breton marshes, where oyster farming and vast stretches of wilderness provide a unique backdrop.

### Day 4 Bouin - St Gilles Croix de vie 40 km

Leaving Bouin, you'll cross the Breton marsh to Beauvoir-sur-Mer, then skirt the beaches and forest of Saint-Jean-de-Monts before arriving at Saint-Gilles-Croix-de-Vie, famous for its port and sardines.

### Day 5 St Gilles - La Tranche sur Mer 72 km

Leaving Saint-Gilles, you follow the wild coastline to Les Sables-d'Olonne, with its beaches and famous embankment. Then, following the Vélodyssée through forests and marshes, you'll reach La Tranche-sur-Mer, a popular seaside resort with superb views over the Ile de Ré.



### Day 6 La Tranche sur mer - La Rochelle 67 km

Departing from La Tranche-sur-Mer, you'll follow the coast through the marshes and forests of southern Vendée. After a pause at Esnandes to admire the Baie de l'Aiguillon, you enter the Charente-Maritime region and reach La Rochelle, with its old port, emblematic towers and unique maritime atmosphere.

### Day 7 La Rochelle - Rochefort 40 km

Leaving La Rochelle, you drive along the coast past Châtelailon-Plage and its vast stretches of sand. You'll then cross the Charente marshes before reaching Rochefort, a historic town famous for its arsenal and Corderie Royale.

### Day 8 Rochefort - Royan 66 km

Leaving Rochefort, you'll follow the Charente estuary through marshes and small villages. Then you'll head for the coast and beaches before arriving in Royan, a lively seaside resort with Belle Époque villas and vast sandy beaches.

### Day 9 Royan - Pauillac 76 km

Leaving Royan, you cross the Gironde estuary to Le Verdon-sur-Mer, then follow the wild Médoc coastline, between endless beaches and pine forests. Looking out over the ocean, you'll pass through the picturesque villages of the Royan region before entering the Médoc to arrive in Pauillac, in the heart of the great Bordeaux wines.

### Day 10 Pauillac - Bordeaux 55 km

Departing from Pauillac, you'll drive through the heart of the Médoc, past prestigious châteaux and vineyards as far as the eye can see. The roads are quiet and picturesque. As you approach Bordeaux, you'll skirt the city's quays, offering a beautiful view of the Garonne River, before reaching the historic heart of the city, famous for its squares and monuments listed as UNESCO World Heritage sites.

### Day 11 Departure

It's the last day and time to say "see you soon"!

## SELF GUIDED



## ROUTE CHARACTERISTICS

Sometimes on paved cycle paths, sometimes on small country roads. A few climbs, but no great difficulty.

## INCLUDED SERVICES

- 8 nights in 3\* hotels
- 2 nights in 4\* hotels
- Personalized welcome
- Hearty breakfasts
- Daily luggage transfer
- Bike delivery and pick-up
- Itinerary on our app
- Route book with maps
- 7/7 telephone assistance

## PER PERSON

ROOM (2 PEOPLE)  
 B&B DBLE / SGL 1749 € / 2379 €

ROOM (4 PEOPLE)  
 B&B DBLE / SGL 1559 € / 2189 €

EXTRA NIGHT  
 Nantes DBLE / SGL 105 € / 180 €  
 Bordeaux DBLE / SGL 95 € / 175 €

BIKE RENTAL  
 21/27-Gear-Hybrid bike 295 €  
 E-Bike (250 € deposit) 315 €

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

## POSSIBLE OPTIONS

Rental of helmets, phone holder

NB: It is possible to shorten the stay by reducing the number of days to suit your preferences.