

France – Loire Valley – Fairy Tale Freewheel Bicycle Tour (2025) Individual Self-Guided 7 days/ 6 nights



The Loire Valley, also known as "garden of France", is a charming land of vineyards, flowers and rolling green hills, which will enchant you and your family with its more than two hundred castles and luxuriant natural landscapes. It will be like riding in a fairy tale, in a picturesque countryside dotted with romantic châteaux, providing regular interludes to the cycling. While you marvel at this medieval splendour, don't forget to try the region's sumptuous cuisine and famous wines, for a true royal holiday experience!

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## **Itinerary Day to Day**

Day 1: Blois. Individual arrival

### Day 2: Blois – Amboise 45 km

We saddle up for the start of a magical ride that today takes us along the River Loire as far as Amboise. Steeped in history, the atmospheric market town is celebrated for its château and the Clos-Lucé manor, where Leonardo lived for three years (and died) and where some of his remarkable inventions are on display. The 19<sup>th</sup> century turtle fountain (topped by a teddy bear figure), the Clock Tower and the 7 level Chinese Pagoda all add to the town's interest.



# Day 3: Amboise – Chenoncheaux – Amboise (35 km)

You start the day cycling through the magnificent Forest of Amboise and into fields of wheat and barley. Your destination is the Château de Chenonceaux, its gardens fabulously landscaped against the meandering River Cher. What better way to enjoy today's exploration through verdant landscapes than astride your two-wheeled steeds. Expect some ups and downs shortly before Chenoncheaux (it is always possible to return by train).



# Day 4: Amboise – Chitenay (45 km)

Fields of wheat and poppy meadows scattered with centennial oaks: welcome to the fertile farmlands of Touraine. The scenery is dotted with delightful hamlets such as Fougères and Vallières-les-Grandes, and towered by majestic castles – among them Fougères-sur-Biévre – all awaiting your discovery. The picturesque route takes you largely along quiet roads and the only challenging climb is a 1km stretch right at the start.



#### Day 5: Chitenay – Blois 30 km

An easy ride takes you from Chitenay to charming Cellettes, a commune bathed by the placid River Beuvron, for a visit to the Renaissance Château de Beauregard. After traversing the enchanting Forest of Roussy, we come to the Loire and the town of Blois, which welcomes you with its elegant bridge, monuments, works of art and narrow alleyways tangled around its castle.





# Day 6: Blois – Chambord – Blois (40 km)

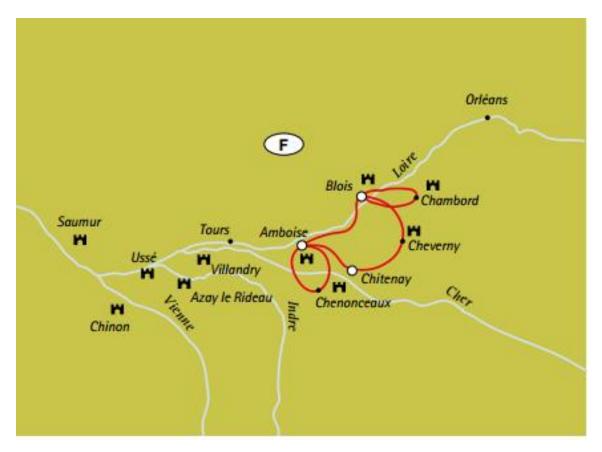
Today's stage leads us to one of the most famous and majestic of all Loire castles: Chambord. Leaving the hotel, we head for Saint-Dyé-sur-Loire, an ancient hamlet perched on the river. From here we continue southwards into the heart of the countryside until we reach the castle's surrounding forest.

Day 7: Blois

After breakfast, end of tour.







### **Technical Characteristics:**

**Route Profile:** Easy. Routes are devised with the younger traveler in mind and are predominantly on cycle ways and quiet roads. They are designed in loops and can thus be modified at will. Terrain is 90% asphalt, 10% unpaved. Train connection among the overnight stays on day 2. Possibility to shorten the itinerary by taking the train on day 2 and 3.

Distance: 205 km

Travel Season: Departures Saturdays between April 26- September 9



Prices Per person: all prices in Euros and subject to confirmation on booking	
Double Occupancy- one double bed	€750
Double Occupancy- twin room	€750
3 <sup>rd</sup> person in room 14 and over	€580
3 <sup>rd</sup> person in room 4- 14 years old	€300
Under 3	Baby cot to be paid on site
Bike Rental	€110
E-Bike Rental	€270
Child Bike	€100
Child Seat- rear max 22kg	free
Child Trailer	€90
Family Tandem	€200
Helmet	€15

### Accommodation:

Category A: 3/4\* Hotels with swimming pools. Category B: 3\* Hotels (with swimming pool in Amboise and Chitenay). All rooms have en suite facilities.

#### Included:

- 6 nights hotel accommodation with breakfast
- App including maps, points of interest and GPS tracks
- Digital tour information
- Luggage transportation
- Hotline service
- Hotel taxes



#### **Bikes**

## <u>Unisex Bike</u>



**Child Trailer** 



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