

France- Germany Alsace Beer Cycling Tour (2025)

8 Days / 7 Nights

Individual Self-Guided



Welcome to a unique cycling tour in Northern Alsace, where each pedal stroke brings you closer to the region's renowned craft breweries, including the famous Villa Meteor. Alsace is a land of passion and brewing expertise, rich with a long historical tradition. Starting from Strasbourg, this cross-border route invites you to explore both sides of the French-German border, across the Rhine. Cycle along the fields of "Green Gold," pass through the picturesque alleys of Alsatian villages, and ride through the lush forests of the Northern Vosges Regional Nature Park and the Haguenau region. The bike paths and small roads invite you to a gentle and immersive exploration. So, what are you waiting for? Hop on your bike and let yourself be carried away by the rich brewing cultures of Alsace and Germany. Each sip of beer tells a centuries-old story, and meetings with passionate brewers will immerse you in the heart of their ancestral craft.



Highlights

- The cities of Strasbourg, Rastatt and Karlsruhe
- Visits to local breweries
- The Vosges du Nord-Pfälzerwald transboundary biosphere reserve and the exceptional forest of Haguenau
- Beautiful cycle paths through the forest, along the Rhine and canals
- The historical heritage

Day by Day

Day 1 : Arrival in Strasbourg (France)

Welcome to Strasbourg! Upon arrival, check in to your hotel and get ready to explore the city's wonders. Discover the magnificence of the Gothic cathedral, wander through its historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Explore the city's many breweries and restaurants, where you can taste a wide variety of local beers and enjoy delicious Alsatian cuisine.



Day 2 : Strasbourg - Rastatt (Germany) ≈ 65 km

A nice cycle path runs through Strasbourg to the banks of the Rhine. Enjoy a leisurely ride through the Rhine plain, relishing the riverside scenery. In Drusenheim, a ferry will take you across to the other side, and you will continue in Germany through charming alluvial landscapes to Rastatt and its old baroque town. After your first day in the saddle, you can relax in a beer garden or one of the city's



microbreweries, savoring a locally brewed beer while observing the brewing vats. This is the perfect opportunity to discover German brewing specialties and enjoy the friendly atmosphere of Rastatt.

Day 3 : Rastatt - Ettlingen (Germany) ≈ 45 km

If you didn't have the chance the previous day, be sure to visit Rastatt Castle, the oldest baroque residence on the Upper Rhine, and its beautiful gardens. On the way to Karlsruhe, take a break in Malsch, where you will find Hausbrauerei Alter Bahnhof, a local brewery located in the town's old train station. Continue your journey through charming villages to Karlsruhe and take the time to stroll through its elegant streets. You can then head to your hotel located a few kilometers away..



Day 4 : Ettlingen – Wissembourg region (France) ≈ 40 km

Today, you have the opportunity to visit the lovely medieval town of Ettlingen and the picturesque district of Durlach before heading back to France. The day's stage is mostly flat and largely follows the FrancoGerman cycle path that winds through beautiful, wooded areas and fields along the Lauter Valley. Upon your arrival in Wissembourg, be sure to visit the Saint-Pierre-et-Saint-Paul Abbey, a magnificent Gothic building that reflects the town's religious significance in the Middle Ages. The Westercamp Museum, located in a former chapel, houses a diverse collection ranging from religious art to archaeological artifacts, offering a fascinating glimpse into local history..

Day 5 : Wissembourg region – Haguenau ≈ 50 km

Today's stage offers you a succession of gentle hills through villages, vineyards, meadows, and orchards. In Cleebourg, cross the northernmost vineyard in Alsace, then take the time to admire the floweradorned half-timbered houses in the village of Hunspach, voted "village préféré des français » in 2020.



Along the way, make a detour to the Fort of Schœnenbourg to visit this impressive Maginot Line fortification or to enjoy the view from the fortress domes. Finally, discover the Haguenau Forest: designated a "Forêt d'Exception," it offers a preserved and authentic natural setting. At the end of the stage, you will reach Haguenau. This city, which was among the ten free cities of the Alsatian Decapolis in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, still boasts a pleasant and lively historic center. You can notably see the Hop Hall, an emblematic building that was once used for drying and storing hops. 3 out of 5



Day 6 : Haguenau - Saverne ≈ 50 km

Today, discover La Brasserie d'Uberach. Take the opportunity to book a guided tour to learn about the brewing process and taste some beers. Your route continues through slightly hilly bucolic landscapes. You can stop in Neuwiller and admire the beautiful Romanesque abbey church of Saint-Pierre-et-Saint-Paul. Your destination for the day, Saverne, was the residence of the bishops of Strasbourg, known for its Château des Rohan, nicknamed the "Petit Versailles Alsacien", and is traversed by the picturesque MarneRhine Canal. Saverne combines historic charm and natural beauty at the foot of the Vosges.

Day 7 : Saverne - Strasbourg ≈ 60 km

Embark on an easy and flat stage, following EuroVelo 5 along the Marne-Rhine Canal cycle route. Take in the beautiful landscapes and charming villages that line the canal as you pedal towards Strasbourg. Consider a must-visit stop at France's oldest independent family-run brewery, Villa Méteor, in Hochfelden, for an exceptional brewery tour and tasting. As you approach Strasbourg, pass by the European institutions district, where you can admire the headquarters of the European Parliament.

Day 8 : Departure or extension of your stay



Route



About 310 km. You'll cycle mainly on cycle paths, tarmac farm roads and low-traffic secondary roads. Days 5 and 6 are hilly. Moderate difficulty

Dates:

Every Thursday and Saturday between 29.03. and 11.10.

Season 1: 29.03. – 11.04.

Season 2: 12.04. - 30.04. | 12.05. - 30.05. | 27.09. - 11.10.

Season 3: 01.05. - 11.05. | 31.05. - 26.09.

Prices

Price is person in Euros- all prices subject to confirmation on booking

Double Occupancy Season 1	€1039
Double Occupancy Season 2	€1119
Double Occupancy Season 3	€1179
Surcharge for single room	€419
Bike rental- 21 gears	€99
E-bike rental	€269
Additional nights in Stasbourg	On request



Included

Accommodation in 3* hotels

- Breakfast
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Visit at the Villa Meteor on day 7
- Box with 3 Beers to test
- Well-prepared route guidance
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (FR, EN, DE) or digital route book (-20 € per room)
- Mobile App
- Own signposting
- GPS data available
- Service hotline

Not Included

Diners

- Drinks, lunch
- Bike rental for our bikes
- Round-trip transportation
- Visits and tastings
- Possible repairs
- Tourist tax



<u>Bikes</u>

Hybrid Bikes Mens or Unisex

The ultimate versatile bike, both strong and light, equally suited to the city and country roads, the hybrid bike is your comfort ally.

Freewheel bikes

- 21 speed, with Shimano Acera derailleur
- Shimano V-Brakes front and rear

Types of frames offered

• Unisex aluminum frames.



• Possibility of a men's frame with horizontal bar, only on request when booking (for heights between 1m65 and 2m).

When booking, our team is at your service to advise you on the bike best suited to your size.

Children's Equipment (on request)

Electro Bikes Unisex

28 inches, unisex frame, 3 possible frame sizes (45, 50, 55), 3 levels of electric assistance, 8 speeds integrated into the hub. Bosch power pack 500 battery with an average range of 90 km. Shimano Déore front and rear disc brakes, backpedal. The whole thing guarantees maximum comfort during your hikes.

all bikes are equipped with high-end accessories:

- Vaude Waterproof Handlebar Bag with Map Holder
- Vaude waterproof rear bag
- Repair kit with small tools and spare inner tube
- Bike pump
- Key or combination padlock
- Odometer



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