

Germany- Denmark Hamburg to Copenhagen Bike Tour (2025)

14 Days/ 13 Nights

Individual Self-guided



This cycle tour from Hamburg to Copenhagen connects two major Nordic metropolises. The Elbe, Kiel Canal, Holstein Switzerland, the sunny Baltic Sea island of Fehmarn and the tranquil islands of Lolland and Falster are on your way. From here you follow the famous Berlin-Copenhagen cycle route to the chalk cliffs of the island of Møn, to Stevns Klint and finally to the capital of cycling



Day by Day

Day 1: Individual arrival in Hamburg

In the Hanseatic city of Hamburg, you can see and discover a lot. Therefore, we recommend an early arrival. You have a particularly good view of the hustle and bustle of the city from the cities landmark – the tower of St. Michael's.



Day 2: Hamburg – Glückstadt, approx. 55 km

You leave Hamburg along the Elbe. Following the course of the Elbe, you reach Glückstadt. The town was founded in 1617 by the Danish King Christian IV. The aim was to compete with Hamburg. However, it did not come close to the flourishing trade of the Hanseatic city. The town's trademark is matje, which is famous beyond the borders of Schleswig-Holstein.

Day 3: Glückstadt – Schafstedt / St. Michaelisdonn, approx. 50 / 40 km

Today's stage takes you first to Brunsbüttel on the Kiel Canal. Marvel at the large ocean liners and cruise ships that pass through the Brunsbüttel canal locks. Follow the Kiel Canal inland through Dithmarschen. Locals also call the municipality of St. Michaelisdonn the "bridge between Marsch and Geest".

Day 4: Schafstedt – Rendsburg, approx. 50 / 65 km

Relax and follow the Kiel Canal. On the way, you will pass idyllic forest and meadow landscapes close to the shore. Occasionally you change sides of the canal by ferry. The landmark of your destination for the day, Rendsburg, is the railway bridge. It spans the Kiel Canal and is one of the longest railway bridges in Germany. Leave your bike behind and explore the historic old town.



Day 5: Rendsburg - Kiel, approx. 45 km

The last stage of your cycle tour on the NOK route takes you to Kiel. Get to know the state capital of Schleswig-Holstein on a walk. Watch the ships in the harbor and at the Norweger and Schwedenkai quays from the Hörnbrücke, a folding bridge, visit the Maritime Museum and relax in the Ratsdienergarten. If you would like to spend some more time on the Baltic Sea, grab your bike. It is only a few kilometers from Kiel city center to Falckensteiner Strand.

Day 6: Kiel – Eutin, approx. 55 km

From Kiel, follow the River Schwentine, which takes you through a gently undulating landscape and a region characterized by small lakes. The shoemaking town of Preetz is the gateway to Holstein Switzerland. Pay a visit to the Preetz monastery and treat yourself to a swim in Lake Lank before continuing on to Plön. The town's landmark is the Renaissance-style castle. An equally interesting castle awaits you in Eutin. In addition to a stroll through the cozy old town, you can also take a dip in the Great Eutin Lake.

Day 7: Eutin - Heiligenhafen, approx. 60 km

Today's stage of your cycle tour from Kiel to Copenhagen takes you to the Baltic Sea. Past the Kellersee lake, through meadows, fields and forests, the cycle route takes you to Oldenburg in Holstein. Visit the Wall Museum, which shows the history of the Slavs in East Holstein. Continue along the Baltic Sea Coast Cycle Path to your destination for the day, Heiligenhafen. Take a stroll along the pier promenade and watch the many surfers jetting over the waves on the beaches.

Day 8: Heiligenhafen – Maribo / Bandholm, approx. 60 / 65 km + ferry ride

Not far from the Baltic Sea, you cycle towards Fehmarn. You reach Germany's third largest island via the Fehmarnsund Bridge. Cycle past the Burger See lake to Burg, the main town on the sunny island. Enjoy a coffee in the center of Burg before you make your way to the landing stage in Puttgarden. Take the ferry to the port of Rødby on the Danish island of Lolland. You cycle along flat paths to the cozy little town of Maribo. A little further north you reach the harbor town of Bandholm. You spend the night in Bandholm or in Maribo.

Day 9: Maribo - Nykøbing / Marielyst, approx. 30 - 50 km

Today's stage of your bike tour from Odense to Copenhagen is also pleasantly flat. Take another look at the sea in Bandholm and stroll through the cozy alleys of Maribo before you make your way to Falster. Via the Guldborgsund, you will reach the harbor town of Nykøbing Falster, the sixth largest Danish island. Worth seeing half-timbered houses characterize the townscape as well as the monastery church and the water tower. Visit the Middelaldercentret, located just outside the city, which takes you back to the late Middle Ages in its open-air museum.



Day 10: Nykøbing – Stege, approx. 70 km + ferry ride

After breakfast, a pleasantly flat stage awaits you again today. First, the bike path leads you to the coast in the east of Falster. Enjoy beautiful views of the sea not far from the Baltic Sea and the one or other jump into the water. For example, on the beach in Hesnæs. The small fishing village is characterized by its characteristic houses, whose walls are wrapped with straw. In Stubbekøbing, a few kilometers away, you can take a ferry ride to the island of Bogø and cycle to the island of Møn. With Stege you reach the island capital of Møns.

Day 11: Excursion to Møns Klint, approx. 55 km

The island of Møn is a popular vacation destination and rightly so. Møn has a variety of different landscapes in a very small area. Flat meadows and rocky-forested mountain ranges characterize the image of the island. Especially Møns Klint, the highest cliff in Denmark, stands out. Through the beech forest Klinteskoven you reach the up to 128 meters high chalk cliffs - a natural spectacle in a class of its own. Via stairs you reach the pebble beach, ideal for an extended walk, before you cycle back to Stege.

Day 12: Stege - Rødvig, approx. 70 km

Voday's stage of your bike tour from Odense to Copenhagen takes you from the island of Møn to Zealand. Via the Dronning Alexandrines Bro you will reach the largest island in the Baltic Sea. On slightly hilly cycle paths you will go via Præstø to Faxe Ladeplads. The sandy beach there is perfect for a long swim in the sun. Or how about a short cool down in the sea? The journey continues to Rødvig. From the harbor you can already see the Stevns Klint cliff, which you will get to know better tomorrow.





Day 13: Rødvig – Kopenhagen, approx. 80 km or 35 km + train

After breakfast, your cycle tour starts with the impressive Stevns Klint cliff. You can take a break in Højerup. The church there now lies directly on the very edge of the cliff, having been eroded by wind and sea over the centuries. We continue to the medieval harbour town of Køge. The town was once built by royal order and developed into a flourishing harbour town. Numerous half-timbered houses from the 16th and 17th centuries characterise the townscape. One particular gem is located in Kirkestræde: the oldest house in Denmark. From here, you can either follow the cycle path along the sea to Copenhagen or take the train for a shortcut (not included).

Day 14: Individual departure

After breakfast you start your individual return journey home or extend your stay.

Route

700 km Average to relatively difficult Due to the more demanding stages, we recommend this trip only for people with good stamina.

Travel dates

Arrival Wednesday 30.04. - 24.09.2025

- Season A 30.04. 24.09.
- Season B 07.05. 14.05. 10.09. 17.09.
- Season C 21.05. 11.06. 02.07. 20.08. 03.09.
- Season D 28.05. 04.06. 09.07. 13.08.

Not bookable during Kieler Woche (21.06 – 29.06.2025) – Not bookable during Wacken Festival (31.07.– 03.08.2024)



Price Prices per person in Euros-subject to confirmation on booking

Double room, Season A	1799,-
Double room, Season B	1999,–
Double room, Season C	2299,-
Double room, Season D	2499,-
Additional fee single room	549,-
Additional services per person	
Additional nights	On request
E-bike / Pedelec*	269,-
Teenager's bike*	49,–
Rental bike (27-gear)*	99,–
Sporty rental bike (30-gear)*	169,-

^{*}including rental bike insurance

Included

- ¬ 13 nights with breakfast, national 3*-level and Danish inns and guest houses
- ¬ Ferry trip Puttgarden − Rødby incl. bike
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Copenhagen, max. 20 kg / piece
- Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- ¬ Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. − 08.00 p.m.)

Not included

- ¬ Ferry Stubbekøbing Bogø, approx. 13 Euro per person incl. bike
- Citys or visitors tax, if payable



Bikes

Equipment on rental bikes

Comfortable saddle – Bike lock – Luggage rack – Odometer – Air pump – Hub dynamo – Breakdown kit (1 x per booking) – Unflat Schwalbe Marathon Plus tyres or comparable – Waterproof pannier – Waterproof handlebar bag with map holder

Hybrid/Trekking bike

- 8-gear -hub gears with back-pedal brakes
- 27-gear derailleur gears with free-wheel Sizes
- Unisex bikes with low step-through: suitable for heights between 1.45 m and 1.90 m
- Men's bikes: from a height of 1.75 m

E-bike

- 8-speed electric bike with freewheel and hub gears
- Unisex frame: suitable for heights from 1.45 m
 Minimum age for e-bike rental: 16 years

Sporty 30-gear bikes

- Sporty seating position
- 30-speed Shimano XT derailleur gears
- Hydraulic disc brakes
- Suspension seat post
- Trapezoidal frame: suitable for body sizes from 1.60 m to 1.80 m
- Diamond frame: suitable for body sizes from 1.80 m to 1.95 m

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