

Spain - Valencia and the Costa Azahar Bike Tour (2025) Individual Self-Guided 8 days / 7 nights



Two nights in Valencia to explore the city and visit the famous City of Arts and Science. Cycle through the Albufera de Valencia Natural Park, a wetland of international importance for the protection of birds. Explore quiet country roads and discover little Spanish towns with few foreign tourists. In Montanejos you can enjoy bathing in its hot springs as did the 13th century Arabic king and his favourite wives! Follow the river Millars downstream as it descends to the coast. A delightful coastal path awaits you on the last two cycling days with fantastic views over the Mediterranean Sea. Lose yourself in the cobbled streets of Peñiscola before taking a dip in the Med and relaxing on the beach! Why not treat yourself to an extra night, or two.



## **Itinerary Day to Day**

## Day 1: Arrival to Valencia

Airport transfer to your modern hotel in Valencia where you will spend the next two nights. A chance to explore the historic city centre and the spectacular, iconic City of Arts and Science a few minutes away.

# Day 2: Circular Route - the Albufera Natural Park 40 km + 181 m

This morning you'll be given your bikes and you'll set off along cycle lanes out of the city. Explore the internationally renowned Albufera Wetlands while enjoying cycling along the beachfront and stopping along the way for a swim.

## Day 3: Barracas - Mora de Rubielos 37 km + 439 m

Private transfer for you and your bikes to the interior of Valencia. Delightful cycle along a dedicated cycle track amongst beautiful landscapes and later along quiet country roads to reach the charming town of Mora de Rubielos with its many monuments dating back to the 14<sup>th</sup> century.



# Day 4: Mora de Rubieros - Montanejo 40 km + 468 m

An easy cycle along pretty winding country roads following the course of a river to finish in the spa town of Montanejo with its delightful thermal waters where you can take a dip it its crystal clear turquoise mineral waters which allegedly rejuvenate and cleanse the skin. You'll also see some of the original 13<sup>th</sup> century stone structures built by the Arab king Abu-Ceit.



# Day 7: Alcossebre - Peñiscola 20 km + 215 m

## Day 5: Montanejos - El Grao de Castellón 39 km + 453 m

Another cycling day amongst mountains, mostly downhill as you follow a beautiful river valley to the sea. You will end your day in El Grao de Castellón where you can spend the afternoon on the beach followed by a seafood feast in its port!

## Day 6: El Grao de Castellón - Alcossebre 49 km + 214 m

Fantastic cycle beside the sea along the maritime walk and on small coastal roads with a chance to stop and enjoy the beautiful beaches along the way. Don't forget to pack your suntan lotion and swimming things today!

Today's route takes you through wild tracks criss-crossing the marine Sierra de Irta Natural Park. You'll cycle through undisturbed virgin beaches, cliff tops and rocky outcrops and enjoy breathtaking views with glimpses of seabirds and other marine wildlife. The route picks its way along coastal paths to finish in the picture postcard town of Peñiscola for one last night beside the seafront.

## Day 8: Departure or extra nights

Why not treat yourself to an extra night or two to relax and explore Peñiscola or Valencia. **OK Cycle & Adventure Tours Inc.** - 666 Kirkwood Ave - Suite B102 – Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1Z 5X9 <u>www.okcycletours.com</u> Toll Free 1-888-621-6818 Local 613-702-5350



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#### **Technical Characteristics:**

**Tour Profile**: Easy/Moderate. Predominantly flat route with a few small ascents each day. Tarmac: 65.1% Cycle track: 21.6% Dirt road: 13.3%

Distance: 226 km

**Travel Season:** Departures daily from April 1 to June 30 and September 1 to October 30 Season 1 April, May, October Season 2 June, September

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## **Price per Person: prices in Euros,** all prices subject to confirmation on booking

	Season 1	Seaon 2
Double Occupancy B&B	€1100	€1240
Single Supplement	€320	€330
Solo Traveler Supplement	€578	€588
Bike Rental	€110	
E-Bike Rental	€190	
Extra Nights Valencia Double or Single Occupancy	On request	
Extra Nights Pensicola Double or Single Occupancy	On request	
Transfer Pensicola to Valencia (maximum 4 people)	On request	

An extra fee may be applicable in specific dates coinciding with bank holidays, local holidays or other events taking place. An extra fee may be applicable in Hotel La Trufa Negra when prices are unusually high.

## Accommodation:

Days 1 - 6: Carefully selected 3\* hotels, all conveniently located. Day 7: Fabulous 4\* hotel overlooking the Mediterranean

## Included:

- 7 nights' accommodation
- 7 breakfasts
- Luggage transfer between hotels
- Transfers on day 3 from Valencia to Barracas and on day 5 from Onda to Grao de Castellón.
- Detailed maps with your trail clearly marked
- Itinerary description, full of recommendations for things to do and places to visit, advice and suggestions and information about your accommodation etc
- GPS tracks and Navigation app for your phone
- Emergency support

## Not Included:

- Bicycle and equipment rental
- Extra night/s in Valencia or Pensicola
- Transfer from end point to Valencia

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#### Bikes

#### **Touring bikes**

Designed to withstand heavy loads and provide high safety and comfort even after long hours of riding in the saddle, these adventure bikes will serve you well both on and off-road.

The downside to all these extra features and equipment is weight, but on a long distance tour, reliability, comfort and safety, win the day.



#### **Characteristics:**

- Time tested components to stay maintenance free during the tour.
- Broad range of gears.
- Stable carriers for luggage transport.
- Permanently mounted lights with a hub dynamo.
- Comfortable sitting position and straight, adjustable handlebars.
- Other comfort features include bike stand, mudguards and bottle holder.
- High bar and low bar models and sizes xs to XL.

#### **Equipment provided:**

Mobile phone carrier, Odometer, Rear pannier, Map carrier, Helmet, Water bottle, Lock, Pump, Puncture repair kit and Multitool set



# **E-bikes**

Not every type of electric bike is suitable to use in a cycling tour. Most e-bikes are actually designed for city cycling rather than long distances routes.

Experience allows us to choose e-bikes with the most suitable features for touring: reliability, simple operation, long battery life and short charge time.



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