

GBI Europe – Mighty mountains and roaring rivers



This unique cycling tour with several hundreds of international participants will bring us this time from the northern Alps region along the Lake Constance, across the Black Forest and the Palatinate Forest to Saarbrücken

We offer a large variety of service to enable all interested cyclists to participate in this event. Even less trained cyclists can handle the routes in the team. And if you cannot finish a stage, our pickup team will be ready to take you to the day's destination.

The Global Biking Initiative (GBI) wants to show you the most interesting places in Europe the sportive way. We are proud of our international participants that make it easy for everybody to make new friends from

other countries. Our main goal is the continuous support of charity projects worldwide. We achieve this by engaging the participants to raise funds that support charity projects in their home countries.

Tour highlights

- ✓ Discover the beauty of Lake Constance
- ✓ Say good night on top of the Feldberg in Germany's highest village
- ✓ Visit the Alsace and the European metropole Strasbourg
- ✓ Get wet at the Rhine Falls of Schaffhausen
- ✓ Enjoy tasty Allgäu titbits
- ✓ Pedal relaxed along the mighty river Rhine
- ✓ Make new friends with many like-minded people

At a glance

Date: 13. – 19. June 2021

Duration: 7 days / 6 nights (7 cycling days)

Event type: guided charity cycling holiday

Participants: max. 200 cyclists

Distance: approx. 650 km (track 1) / approx. 800 km (track 2)

Several optional accommodation packages, bus transport, bike transport, pre-nights, etc. available

Minimum donation: depending on your home country

Online registration (1. March - 30. April 2021) on

www.gbi-europe.org

Included Services

- ✓ Quick and easy online registration
- ✓ Luggage transport each day
- ✓ Service busses along the route for pick-up service
- ✓ Several fast, intermediate & leisure speed groups to suit all abilities & preferences
- ✓ 2 different stage distances each day available
- ✓ Experienced team leaders with GPS devices
- ✓ All kinds of bicycles are welcome (roadbike, MTB, touringbike, pedelecs, etc.)
- ✓ GPX tracks of all days for download
- ✓ Official tour jersey & GBI bike bottle
- ✓ Online media service
- ✓ Route information and daily news
- ✓ Detailed and up-to-date event information
- ✓ Nutrition points on each stage (with energy drinks, bars and fruits)
- ✓ Refreshments at the GBI Camp
- ✓ Technical bike support on all stages
- ✓ Medical support with mobile paramedics
- ✓ Secured bike park
- ✓ Opening ceremony
- ✓ Closing event with music, refreshments & donation cheque handover
- ✓ A lot of fun, unforgettable moments, great international and cross-cultural companionship, challenging moments and radiant eyes

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Tour description

After the opening ceremony and the obligatory team photo the cycling teams start their tour individually. We start cycling flat through the Alpine Rhine Valley and soon we reach Bregenz and pass the Lake Constance. We cross the hilly Allgäu area and head towards the Black Forest. We climb the Feldberg, the highest mountain of the Black Forest and several other hills in that region. We get some international flair while detouring into Switzerland and the Alsace region in France. After crossing the Palatinate Forest the tour finish in Saarbrücken is not too far away.



Route characteristics & topography

We cycle mainly on cycle paths and minor roads. If inevitable we may use also major roads. Whenever a cycle path is available, please use it!

On our route the topography is changing frequently. You may expect mostly flat areas along rivers and at the Lake Constance. But there will be for sure also many hilly areas with multiple ups and downs each day.

We cycle for charity

Every participant commits to raise a donation for a charity project in his home country. The minimum donation depends on your country and varies between 150 – 250 €. For more details please contact your local country champion (www.gbi-event.org -> About us).



The ambitious hobby cyclists can expect some really challenging days in the mountainous areas of that region. After crossing the Allgäu, Black Forest & Palatinate Forest we are quite sure that you will not reach the camp locations unexhausted.

This year for the first time we will not sleep in cozy sports halls, but we will set up the GBI camp in different kinds of interesting group accommodation and camp sites. We can expect some more convenience as in previous years and can sit together with the teammates, have some drinks and food and can enjoy the evenings together.

Travel information

Plane: Airport St. Gallen-Altenrhein is nearby, Zürich is the nearest international airport for the tourstart, Frankfurt and Luxemburg are the closest international airport to the tour finish

Train & bus: good connections from Austria, Germany and Switzerland to Dornbirn and from Saarbrücken

GBI bus: optional bus service from Düsseldorf or Frankfurt to the tour start location the day prior to tour start, return bus from the tour finish to Düsseldorf via Frankfurt after the tour closure