

Main river biketour | Self-guided | Bamberg to Würzburg - 5 Days

Cycle route through Bavaria: The long-distance cycle route through Bavaria promises a high-quality experience from start to finish, offering exemplary signposting, breathtaking scenery, and cyclist-friendly accommodations throughout. Beginning in the historic city of Bamberg, renowned for its UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town, the route winds its way through Bavaria's picturesque Steigerwald Forest and the charming Hassberg hills before reaching Schweinfurt. As the route follows the course of the River Main, cyclists are treated to the stunning landscapes of Franconian wine country. The destination of your tour is the vibrant city of Würzburg, known for its impressive architecture and rich cultural heritage. cyclists will find themselves immersed in Bavaria's diverse landscapes and vibrant culture.

Highlights

- Low- traffic bike routes on quiet paths along the river
- Lovely boutique accommodations
- Historic towns like Volkach, Kitzingen and Sommerhausen
- World cultural heritage in Bamberg and Würzburg
- Breweries and wineries along the way

Itinerary

- Day 1: Arrival in Bamberg
- Day 2: Bamberg - Haßfurt | 26 mi. (42 km)
- Day 3: Haßfurt - Volkach | 23 mi. (55 km)
- Day 4: Volkach - Würzburg | 40 mi. (65 km)
- Day 5: Departure in Würzburg

All distances are approximate. Due to circumstances beyond control, weather conditions or provisions issued by local authorities, the itinerary may be subject to some changes before and/or during your holiday. For example, along the way you may find temporary deviations/detours caused by roadwork. In this case, please follow the directions posted on site.

Main cycle path from Bamberg to Würzburg:

- 5 days / 4 nights
- Individual bike tour with luggage transport
- Departure: Daily departure between April and October
- Approx. 89 mi | 162 km by bike

services:

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- Accommodations for 4 nights in a double room with breakfast in lovely boutique hotels
- 4 x continental breakfast
- Luggage transfer from accommodation to accommodation during your cycle tours
- 1 package with maps and information material per room (in English language)
- 24-hours-service-hotline during your cycling holidays
- GPS-tracks for navigation via a smartphone app or Garmin
- CO2 compensation in the region
- What's Not Included
- Rental bike or rental Ebike
- All beverages other than those offered at breakfast
- Meal other than those mentioned
- Helmet (due to Covid hygiene protocols, you must bring your own helmet)
- Ferry & train fares not mentioned as included
- Gratuities
- Bike protection
- Travel Insurance

added options / discounts:

Rental bike (7-gear-touring bike with back pedal)	85 €
Rental bike (21-/24-gear-touring bike with free-wheel)	85 €
Rental Ebike	195 €
Extra night in Bamberg in a double room / per person Standart Cat.	75 €
Extra night in Bamberg in a double room / per person Premium Cat.	105 €
Extra night in Bamberg in a single room / per person Standard Cat.	95 €
Extra night in Bamberg in a single room / per person Premium Cat.	145 €
Extra night in Würzburg in a double room / per person Standart Cat.	75 €
Extra night in Würzburg in a double room / per person Premium Cat.	105 €
Extra night in Würzburg in a single room / per person Premium Cat.	145 €
Extra night in Würzburg in a single room / per person Standard Cat.	95 €
Private Transfer from the airport Frankfurt to Bamberg:	360 €
Private Transfer from the airport Frankfurt to Bamberg:	495 €

- Difficulty level 1 of 5

ITINERARY

Day 1: Individual Arrival in Bamberg

Bamberg, nestled in the heart of North Bavaria's Upper Franconia region, is a town of authentic beauty and rich history that beckons visitors to explore its charming streets and historic landmarks. Built across seven hills, each crowned with its own church or castle, Bamberg's architectural splendor is truly remarkable. As one of Germany's largest medieval towns, Bamberg boasts a remarkably well-preserved old town, earning it UNESCO World Heritage status in 1993. With one of the largest ensembles of historic buildings in Europe, Bamberg offers a fascinating glimpse into the past, with its medieval architecture, cobblestone streets, and picturesque squares. Visitors can explore the town's many landmarks, including the majestic Bamberg Cathedral, the historic Old Town Hall located on an island in the middle of the river Regnitz, and the charming Little Venice district.

After a day of exploration, travelers can indulge in the culinary delights of Franconian cuisine, savoring traditional dishes and locally brewed beers in one of Bamberg's many restaurants or beer gardens. Whether wandering through the old town's narrow alleyways, admiring its architectural treasures, or simply soaking in the atmosphere of this historic gem, a visit to Bamberg promises an unforgettable experience. Overnight stays in Bamberg offer the opportunity to fully immerse oneself in the town's unique charm and ambiance.

Day 2: Bamberg – Hassfurt | Approx. 26 miles / 42 km

Today marks the beginning of your cycling journey along the picturesque Main Cycle Path, renowned for its stunning scenery and well-maintained trails. While it may not be possible to explore every picturesque site along the route today, there is one landmark that shouldn't be missed: the pilgrim church of Maria Limbach, designed by the renowned baroque architect Balthasar Neumann. Located along the cycling route, this magnificent church showcases Neumann's signature style and architectural mastery, making it a must-visit destination for travelers seeking to immerse themselves in Bavaria's rich cultural heritage.

After exploring the pilgrim church and soaking in its beauty, continue your cycling adventure along the Main Cycle Path, taking in the scenic landscapes and charming villages that dot the route. As you pedal through the idyllic countryside, you'll soon arrive in Hassfurt, where you'll spend the night. Nestled along the banks of the Main River, Hassfurt offers a peaceful retreat for weary cyclists, with its quaint streets, historic buildings, and welcoming atmosphere. Take some time to unwind and relax after a day of exploration, perhaps enjoying a delicious meal at one of the town's cozy restaurants or cafes before retiring for the night. With one day of cycling behind you and many more adventures ahead, Hassfurt provides the perfect starting point for your Bavarian cycling adventure.

Day 3: Hassfurt - Volkach | Approx. 34 miles / 55 km

As you continue your cycling journey along the flat and easy-to-ride path alongside the river, you'll have the opportunity to marvel at several castles and estates that are still privately owned, managed, and inhabited. These historic landmarks add to the charm and beauty of the scenic route, offering glimpses into Bavaria's rich cultural heritage and aristocratic past. Upon arriving in the beautiful village of Volkach, take some time to explore its charming streets and historic landmarks. A city walk through Volkach will lead you to the Baroque palace known as "Schelfenhaus," a true gem of Bavarian architecture. Alternatively, you can discover other hidden treasures and architectural wonders that dot the village, immersing yourself in its rich history and culture.

After your tour, treat yourself to a taste of the region's excellent local wines, which are renowned for their quality and flavor. Whether you prefer a crisp white wine or a full-bodied red, Volkach offers a wealth of options to satisfy your palate and indulge in the flavors of Bavaria's wine country. With one night in Volkach, you'll have the chance to fully immerse yourself in the village's enchanting ambiance and unwind after a day of cycling. Relax and savor the moment as you reflect on the day's adventures and look forward to the experiences that lie ahead on your Bavarian

dates & prices:

31.03.2026 - 29.04.2026 - Accommodations - Selfguided
Biketour Main 5 days

Price per Person in a Double room / Categorie Premium	835 €
Price per Person in a Double room / Categorie Standard	695 €
Price per Person in a Single room / Categorie Premium	935 €
Price per Person in a Single room / Categorie Standard	795 €

30.04.2026 - 05.10.2026 - Accommodations - Selfguided
Biketour Main 5 days

Price per Person in a Double room / Categorie Premium	935 €
Price per Person in a Double room / Categorie Standard	745 €
Price per Person in a Single room / Categorie Premium	995 €
Price per Person in a Single room / Categorie Standard	835 €

06.10.2026 - 30.10.2026 - Accommodations - Selfguided
Biketour Main 5 days

Price per Person in a Double room / Categorie Premium	835 €
Price per Person in a Double room / Categorie Standard	695 €
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cycling journey.

Day 4: Volkach - Würzburg | Approx. 40 miles / 65 km

As you continue your cycling journey, you'll encounter famous wine villages that are like pearls on a chain, each offering its own unique charm and beauty. Among the most beautiful places to consider for a visit or a lunch/coffee break are Sommerach, Dettelbach, Marktbreit, or Ochsenfurt. These picturesque villages are renowned for their historic architecture, quaint streets, and, of course, their excellent local wines. After exploring the wine villages, your journey will lead you to the vibrant city of Würzburg, where a wealth of cultural treasures awaits. For those visiting Würzburg for the first time, it's highly recommended to plan at least half a day to explore the sights of the old town.

One must-see attraction in Würzburg is the Residence Palace, one of Europe's most renowned Baroque castles and a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site. Explore the palace's opulent interiors, including the breathtaking staircase and the lavish royal apartments, and marvel at the masterful craftsmanship and architectural splendor of this historic landmark. From the old bridge "Alte Mainbrücke," you'll be treated to fantastic views of the Fortress Marienberg, the pilgrimage church "Käppele," and the famous vineyards that line the riverbanks. Whether you're admiring the city's historic landmarks, strolling through its charming streets, or sampling its world-class wines, there's plenty to see and do for the interested guest in Würzburg. Spend the night in Würzburg, soaking in the city's vibrant atmosphere and reflecting on the day's adventures. With its rich history, cultural heritage, and scenic beauty, Würzburg promises an unforgettable experience for travelers exploring the Main Cycle Path.

Day 5: Departure in Würzburg

You decide if you want to spend more days in Würzburg or depart today.



- **ROUTE EVALUATION:** The stages are flat on traffic-free cycle paths.
Bike kilometers: Approx. 89 mi | 162 km. Approx.

- **Our Hotels Standard**

It sounds like you have a keen eye for quality and authenticity when it comes to selecting accommodations for your cycling tours. Your emphasis on maintaining a high standard while also ensuring a regional atmosphere is commendable. By prioritizing hotels that align with the culture and character of each region, you're offering travelers a more immersive and authentic experience. In the Bavarian Main Valley, where casual, cozy, and down-to-earth hotels predominate, you'll find the perfect blend of comfort and local charm. These family-run establishments, often passed down through generations, offer a warm and welcoming atmosphere that reflects the hospitality of the region. With modern amenities and comfortable rooms, guests can relax and unwind after a day of cycling, knowing they're in good hands.

By consistently providing hotel names and ensuring that each accommodation meets your high standards, you're setting a benchmark for quality and ensuring that your guests have a memorable and enjoyable experience throughout their journey. It's clear that you prioritize the overall satisfaction and comfort of your travelers, and this attention to detail sets your tours apart.

- **Departure**

Daily departure

Accommodations - Selfguided Biketour Main 5 days

Our Trip-Designers are making sure that you are staying at the ideal places to experience the best of the towns along the river Main. Our standard when choosing a hotel is high. Our partner-hotels should not only be functionally perfect, but above all offer a pleasant and regional atmosphere. Only now and then does the route force a compromise. We don't accept a cheaper hotel just to get what appears to be a cheap tour price. terranova always mentions the hotel names. You are welcome to check our rating in Michelin or on tripadvisor.

Hotelcategory A - Premium Hotels: On this trip you will stay with terranova in selected hotels and pensions of the 3 and 4 star categories.

- **Bamberg:** [Romantik Hotel Messerschmitt****](#)

For over a hundred years, the Hotel Restaurant Weinhaus Messerschmitt has stood for exceptional hospitality in the center of Bamberg. We offer you everything for a perfect stay. Among other things: An excellent restaurant, our historic wine cellar with adjoining wine shop and café as well as our unique rooms in a historic context.

- **Hassfurth:** [Altstadt Hotel****](#) | [LandPension Stützenmühle****](#)

- **Volkach:** [Romantik Hotel zur Schwane****](#)

"Stay a while...", the golden swan seems to whisper above the gate of our hotel in beautiful Lower Franconia. For more than 600 years, the historic "Zur Schwane" hotel in the heart of Volkach, not far from the banks of the Main, has been welcoming discerning travelers. Guests can enjoy contemporary and exquisite cuisine in the Franconian tavern and in the gourmet and Michelin-starred Weinstock restaurant and stay in elegant, authentic rooms. Exclusive wines from the family's own Prädikatsweingut wine estate skillfully complete the culinary taste experiences and make the Schwane one of the most beautiful wine hotels in Franconia.

- **Würzburg:** [Maritim Hotel Würzburg****](#)

Our team at the Maritim Hotel Würzburg welcomes you directly on the banks of the Main, with a fantastic view of the Marienberg Fortress. Whether it's a city trip, a short stay with overnight accommodation, an event in the adjoining Congress Centrum or a business trip - from here you can take the city of Würzburg by storm.

Hotelcategory B - Standard: Different hotels or wineries in 3 star category.

Tourist taxes, if due, are to be paid on site on this trip.



