The Neckar Cycle Route

7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS, APPROX. 245 KM BOOKING CODE: NE-TH6 DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ••••• TOPOGRAPHY •••••

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Your tour

The famous university towns of Tübingen and Heidelberg mark glamorous start and end points of the tour along the river Neckar. Experience a diverse cultural programme, enjoy the beauty of the varied landscape to the left and right of the river. Try out the skills of the local winegrowers, because you can hardly buy good Württemberg wine outside the state people prefer here to drink it by themselves.

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Tübingen
Day 2	Tübingen – Esslingen, approx. 55 km
Day 3	Esslingen – Marbach / Freiberg, approx. 40 / 45 km
Day 4	Marbach – Neckarsulm / Bad Friedrichshall, approx. 50 / 55 km
Day 5	Neckarsulm – Eberbach, approx. 45 / 50 km
Day 6	Eberbach – Heidelberg, approx. 40 km
Day 7	Individual departure

Travel time

Season A	05.04.	12.10.	
Season B	06.04 11.04.	21.04 25.04.	04.05 09.05.
	21.09 11.10.		
Season C	12.04 20.04.	26.0403.05.	10.05 23.05.
	22.06 04.07.	24.08 20.09.	
Season D	24.05 21.06.	05.0723.08.	

Daily arrival 05.04. – 12.10.2025

The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

→ 6 nights with breakfast, national 3*-level

- → Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Heidelberg, max. 20 kg
- \rightarrow Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- → Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. 08.00 p.m.)

Not included services

→ Citys or visitors tax, if payable

Basic price per person

Doubleroom, Season A	729,-
Doubleroom, Season B	839,-
Doubleroom, Season C	979,-
Doubleroom, Season D	1079,-
Additional fee single room	249,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec (freewheel)*	269,-
Children's / Teenagers bike*	49,-
Trailer / Weehoo**	49,-
Child seat**	free
Rental bike (8- / 27-gear)*	99,—
Sporty rental bike (30-gear)*	169,-
Return transfer excl. bike (Saturday)	89,-
Return transfer incl. bike (Saturday)	129,-
*including rental bike insurance	

**only bookable in combination with a rental bike

Exemplary hotel list

Tübingen	Schloss Tübingen	https://www.hotelamschloss.de
Esslingen	ECOINN Am Campus Esslingen	https://www.ecoinn.de
Marbach / Freiberg	Schillerhof Marbach	https://schillerhof-marbach.de
Neckarsulm / Bad Friedrichshall	Nestor Neckarsulm	https://www.ghotel-group.de/hotels/neckarsulm/
Eberbach	Karpfen Eberbach	https://hotel-karpfen.com
Heidelberg	Kulturbrauerei Heidelberg	https://heidelberger-kulturbrauerei.de

Child reduction on basic price

0 - 5 Years	100%
6 - 11 Years	50%
12 - 17 Years	25%

Children's discount applies for accommodation in a room with two full-paying guests, no discount from the age of 18. A multi-bed room is usually a double room with an extra bed or folding sofa. No four-bed rooms possible.

Additional night prices per person

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Eberbach DBL / BB	55,-
Eberbach SGL / BB	85,-
Esslingen DBL / BB	65,-
Esslingen SGL / BB	99,–
Heidelberg DBL / BB	89,—
Heidelberg SGL / BB	125,-
Marbach / Freiberg DBL / BB	65,-
Marbach / Freiberg SGL / BB	99,-
Neckarsulm / Bad Friedrichshall DBL / BB	65,-
Neckarsulm / Bad Friedrichshall SGL / BB	99,-
Tübingen DBL / BB	89,-
Tübingen SGL / BB	125,-

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, Dutch, French

Additional note

- → All bookings are on request.
- → Twin / double rooms / separate beds are only occasionally available. We treat requests as non-binding customer requests, if above mentioned room types are a booking condition, it must be mentioned as a condition at the time of booking.

Equipment of our rental bikes

- → Comfortable saddle
- → Bike lock
- → Luggage rack
- → Odometer
- → Air pump
- → Hub dynamo
- → Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- \rightarrow Unflat Schwalbe Marathon Plus tyres or comparable
- → Waterproof pannier
- \rightarrow Waterproof handlebar bag with map holder
- → Further information and photos of the rental bikes are available: www.cycling-holiday.com/rental-bikes

Journey to Tübingen

- → Closest airports: Frankfurt am Main, Stuttgart, Karlsruhe
- → Train station: Tübingen main station; Long-distance travellers have to change trains in Stuttgart or Horb

Parking in Tübingen

- → Parking garage Altstadt Mitte, parking garage Altstadt König & parking garage Metropol, costs approx. 42 EUR per week.
- → Hotel parking spaces (available in individual hotels, chargeable, details in the travel documents)

Return trip to Tübingen

- → Optional with a minibus always on Saturdays between 09.00 10.00 am, must be specified when booking.
- → On your own by train, connection every two hours, duration approx. two hours, 1 - 2 changes

Bike handover

→ Arrival: Guests' rental bikes will be available at the arrival hotel. Departure: The guests leave the bikes at the last hotel. If an e-bike has been rented, the battery, charger and key must be returned to the reception.

Luggage transport

→ Luggage pick-up from 09.00 a.m., delivery to the next hotel by 06.00 p.m. at the latest, labeling of luggage is 1 x for the whole tour. No restriction on the number of pieces of luggage, but max. 20 kg per piece of luggage.

Travel documents

- → 1 set (per booked room) consists of: hotel list and voucher, travel information with details on daily stages, short travel guides and route descriptions, maps, luggage tags
- → Dispatched up to four weeks before arrival. For short-term bookings, delivery to the start hotel, hotel list and arrival information will be sent by email

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival in Tübingen

Tübingen is geographically speaking bang in the middle of Baden-Württemberg. It's a popular university town and has almost 30,000 students. Visit the pretty historic quarter and Hohentübingen Castle, which gives you a great view of the town. If you have enough time, try a trip by punt or visit the nearby Bebenhausen monastery.

Day 2: Tübingen – Esslingen, approx. 55 km

You leave this lively town and soon pedal past various bathing lakes - great for a refreshening swim. Downstream along the Neckar you cycle through the valley to Plochingen which features a tower by Hundertwasser. Esslingen, which escaped damage from the war, is a tempting town to visit with its special historic flair.

Day 3: Esslingen – Marbach / Freiberg, approx. 40 / 45 km

You cycle to Stuttgart first, capital of the state of Baden-Württemberg and its largest town. Take a break here and visit the Mercedes-Benz museum or the old castle. You pedal on passing vineyards to Ludwigsburg. Here you can become familiar with the Neckar valley as a cradle of poets and philosophers - Marbach is the town in which Friedrich Schiller was born.

Day 4: Marbach – Neckarsulm / Bad Friedrichshall, approx. 50 / 55 km

You follow the winding river through picturesque vineyards to Lauffen, where you should allow yourself a glass of tasty Katzenbeisser. From Heilbronn, a hub for wine-production and the wine trade, you cycle along the romantic Burgenstrasseto Neckarsulm.

Day 5: Neckarsulm – Eberbach, approx. 45 / 50 km

In Neckarsulm, it's worth visiting the NSU museum with many historic bikes and cars. This section takes you past all kinds of castles including the residence of Götz von Berlichingen. Goethe wrote a play based on him and is considered a prominent work in the "Sturm und Drang" Period. The Staufer town of Eberbach used to be known for its handicraft professions, and a speciality of the town was its sandstone quarry.

Day 6: Eberbach – Heidelberg, approx. 40 km

The Neckar winds its way through the Odenwald mountain range and forms the border between Hesse and Baden-Württemberg. The famous university town of Heidelberg waits for your arrival with a well-known castle ruin which is definitely worth a visit. You have simply fantastic views of the town from the castle.

Day 7: Individual departure

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