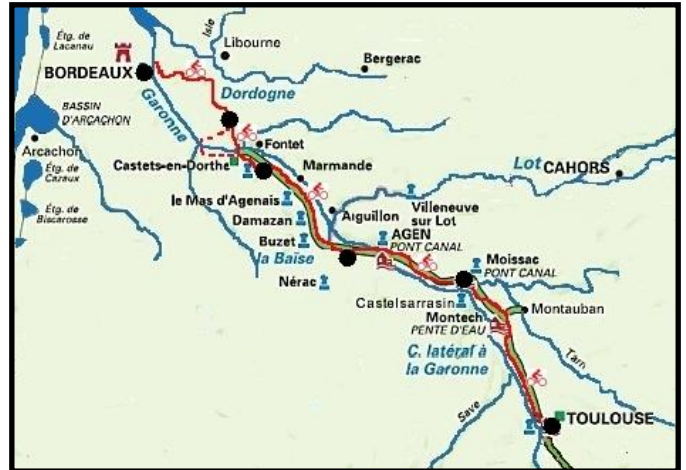


Cycling Safaris

"BORDEAUX TO TOULOUSE" 2017

Self guided Tour

Approx 260-300 km | 7 days / 6 nights



This trip has something for all appetites of nature, culture, recreation and sports, gastronomy and conviviality. You will follow the Canal de Garonne, classified as World Heritage by UNESCO. This trip, alternating cycle paths and minor roads in flat relief, will delight you with its diversity of landscapes.

The Canal, often lined with plane trees, allows to discover various landscapes, vineyards, groves, orchards, villages and numerous works of art and historical monuments.

Bicycle paths, greenways and trails are opening the way to other landscapes: The canal, the locks and the beauties of Bordeaux and Toulouse.

You will be greeted every night *** in hotels or guesthouses.

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 Arrival in Bordeaux "city listed as Unesco World Heritage"

Accommodation in charming guesthouse or 3 stars hotels in the heart of Bordeaux. You will get your bike as well as your route notes, which will indicate your circuit.

Bordeaux, the former "Burdigala" Roman, inseparable from its vineyard ... radiates plenty of stones in her dress to provide fireworks. The Garonne River, heart of the city, welcomes walkers on the banks or boat trips. Everyone can take ownership of the docks, hoping to see the landing of a cruise ship, "amazing sight" a giant of the seas in the city center.

Night and breakfast.



Day 2 From Bordeaux to the Entre-Deux-Mers

50 to 60 Km

This route allows you to discover the Entre-Deux-Mers region of 55 km of track / greenway and lanes ... Enchanting!

You will leave Bordeaux with the track that runs along the Garonne River and its beautiful landscaped quays, then you will follow the greenway trail, winding through the hillsides of the Entre-Deux-Mers through Creon and Sauveterre de Guyenne, which are magnificent fortified walled towns. Finally, by small roads surrounded by vineyards, you will drive to your accommodation. Night, dinner and breakfast in bed and breakfast of charm.



Day 3 The beginning of the Canal de Garonne

25 to 55 km depending on variations



The greenway is royal: it alternately crosses vineyards and forests and crosses several small stations refurbished in houses.

Despite some minor false flat, the track is easily and offers a breath of nature.

In this step a little shorter you can enjoy the many stops that are available to cyclists throughout the course. In the late afternoon, you will be greeted by charming guest room or Hotel*** in Marmande or 10 km before.

Dinner, bed and breakfast.

Day 4 The valley of the Garonne and its wealth

60 Km

The tour continues in the rich valley of the Garonne and orchards. This lovely route, especially between Buzet and Meilhan-sur-Garonne and under large plane trees, will pass by Buzet-sur-Baise, Le Mas d'Agen and many other pretty small towns.

The water spot of Sérignac is a haven of tranquility on the canal. In the village, visitors discover a thirteenth century village and friendliness that prevails.

Night in hotel ***. Dinner and breakfast

Day 5 Sérignac sur Garonne in Moissac

60 km (depending on variant)

This step is one of the most beautiful as points of interest are numerous. The easy stretch and secure well in the shade of plane trees healthy will help you discover great sites such as: The canal bridge on the Baise, the aqueduct Agen Auvillar, Lake Saint-Nicolas-de-la -Grave and finally Moissac.

For your last accommodation along the canal you can enjoy the quiet and splendor of a hotel with panoramic views of the Garonne Tarn meeting precisely at this point. Overnight in *** hotel with spa and piano bar. Dinner and breakfast



Day 6 "Between the Capitol and Abbey"

64 Km

The Canal de Garonne emphasizes here the charm of rural villages in Tarn-et-Garonne, dominated by churches built in the Gothic style of Toulouse. You could for example visit Montech, valued for its marina and its "water slope" unique in the world. This peaceful stage, shaded by plane trees, ends by a little less calm few miles to enter Toulouse but it provide access to the heart of the city, a real comfort!

Toulouse needs a long visit, with its famous Place du Capitole and the site of the riverbanks. City with a distinctive architecture, Toulouse is nicknamed the "Pink City" because of the clay brick used to build houses. His other nickname is the "City of Violets" flower which can be enjoyed in all its forms!

Night and breakfast in 3stars hotel.

Day 7 Departure

Departure after breakfast.

2017 TOUR DATES

Arrival daily from 1 April to 31 October

2017 TOUR PRICE

€975.00 per person sharing

€1225.00 for single occupancy

€1335.00 for solo traveller

WHAT THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- 6 nights hotel accommodation with breakfast
- 4 dinners
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Route details and maps (one per room)
- 24 speed hybrid touring bike
- 24 hours service hotline

Not included:

- E-bike: an additional €18 per day
- Extra night in Bordeaux or Toulouse: €75 per person in double room
€125 for single room

BIKE / FITNESS

The bicycle (VTC : Hybrid bike for men or women). Replaced every year

Locks, reparation equipment, saddle bags, helmet, bar bag

Assistance for the bike (for big damage)

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Aer Lingus offers direct flights from Dublin to Toulouse.

From Toulouse you can either take a bus or a train to Bordeaux (approx 3 hours).