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SARDINIA

Italian Dreaming

Live life like you've won the lotto on a cycle tour revealing the picturesque coastline and wild hinterland of this magical island.

From white sandy beaches to its rugged hinterland, this island is one of Europe's finest gems. Mediterranean cuisine, celeb-worthy waters and quaint towns will all be revealed on this cycle tour.

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Day 1 Costa Smeralda

Transfer to your hotel in Costa Smeralda in the island's north. Its capital, Porto Cervo, is a town with just a few hundred residents. In the summer, it sees an extraordinary procession of hundreds of yachts and famous personalities. Visit San Pantaleo, set between the mountains and sea and known for its popular Thursday morning market.

Overnight: Hotel Airone or similar

Day 2 Porto Cervo

Cycle through fishing villages now transformed by tourism. You'll pass Baia Sardinia and visit Porto Cervo, the heart of the Costa Smeralda. On average, you'll cycle up to 60 kilometres a day.

Overnight: Hotel Airone or similar

Day 3 La Maddalena

From the port of Palau explore the Maddalena archipelago. Crossing the Passo Della Moneta, a dam bridge that connects the Island of La Maddalena with Caprera, you will reach the Garibaldi White House. Later, visit the coves of this unspoiled corner of Sardinia.

Overnight: Hotel Airone or similar

Day 4 West Sardinia

There's no cycling today as you transfer across the island to Nuoro and Orgosolo. Nuoro, with its well preserved traditions and culture, is considered the heart of Sardinia. Orgosolo is known for its murals, which represent the social unrest and a silent protest against the government during the late 1960s. In Orgosolo, sit with the shepherds and enjoy a traditional open-air lunch.

Overnight: Hotel Mariano IV or similar

Day 5 San Giovanni

Enjoy being by the sea while you explore the fascinating Sinis peninsula, Mari Ermi's white quartz beaches and the ruins of Tharros, a city founded by the Phoenicians around 800 BCE. This is where the city of Oristano originated.

Overnight: Hotel Mariano IV or similar

Day 6 Oristano

Explore little towns famous for their agricultural productivity, medieval churches and deeply rooted traditions. These charming villages are surrounded by the two famous hills covered in Nuragic sites and cultivated fields from where locals derive their delicacies.

Overnight: Hotel Mariano IV or similar

Day 7 Terralba

Today, you'll utilise bus and back. First, you're off to Pula and the ordered city of Arborea, where two-storey Art Nouveau and Neo-Gothic houses are surrounded by greenery. There's also a chance to enjoy the lively city of Terralba, known for its gavina watermelons and communal winery. In Guspini, see how agricultural activities and industrial archaeology come together, before heading to your hotel in Pula.

Overnight: Lantana Resort or similar

Day 8 Pula

Cycle along the pristine coastline, taking some time out for a swim. Head past tree-lined avenues that lead to the archaeological park of Nora.

Overnight: Lantana Resort or similar

Day 9 Sant'Antioco

Experience a mix of history and religion at Nebida and on the island of Sant'Antioco, with its museum and unique handicrafts.

Overnight: Lantana Resort or similar

Day 10 Depart

Spend today enjoying some well-earned free time until your transfer to Cagliari Airport for your departure. If your flight is later in the day, enjoy the historical districts with sea views, elegant shopping streets and panoramic terraces, including the Bastione di Santa Croce.

Inclusions

- 3x BB in Costa Smeralda area, in four-star bike hotels like Hotel Airone, Parco degli Ulivi, Cormorano or similar
- 3x BB in Oristano area, in four-star bike hotels like Hotel Mariano IV, La Baia or similar
- 3x BB in Pula area, in four-star bike hotels like Hotel Lantana Resort, S. Lucia or similar
- Authorised and specialised English-speaking bike guide
- 24-gear bike rental from second to ninth day
- Ferry Palau-La Maddalena Islands-Palau for passengers and bus
- Transfers/excursion/round trip on an air-conditioned bus, parking fees, tolls and fuel included
- Round-the-clock telephone assistance with at least two emergency numbers

Exclusions

- Entrance fees
- Personal costs and tips (e.g. tour leader/guide, driver, porter)
- Personal donations to religious and/or socio-cultural facilities
- Extra fees for optional visits or excursions
- Beverage and optional meals (when not clearly mentioned on itinerary)
- City tax in the hotels