

**SLOVENIA** luxury cycling tour (07/7/2018 – 13/07/2018)

Wander through undisturbed mountain villages and alpine lakes, explore dense forests and cycle over quiet, shaded roads. Be the first of your friends to discover the gem that Slovenia is on a cycling tour through untouched mountain views and turquoise rivers, reminiscent of Italy, Switzerland, and Austria all at once. Cycle through the wine country of Goriška Brda and Italy, tasting its impeccable offerings, and meet the wonderful and friendly people. Complete restoration awaits us at regal accommodations nestled away in the mountains and vineyards.

**Day One: Welcome to Slovenia (7.7.2018)**

Upon arriving in Ljubljana, you will meet our representative and transferred to Ljubljana. You will stay overnight in a comfortable hotel in Ljubljana. Welcome dinner and guide/program introduction.

Meals: Dinner

Accommodation: Cubo or similar (Allegro, Antiq Palace)

**Day Two: Lakes and Triglav National Park (8.7.2018)**

Breakfast in Ljubljana. After a short transfer to Bohinjska Bistrica, we'll cycle quiet roads and visit a local cheese maker for a light lunch. Taste the local delights before riding onto the glacial Lake Bohinj. Care for a swim? Climb through calm forests and past a rushing mountain stream to the Aljažev Dom mineral spring. Arriving back at Vila Bled we'll toast the week ahead with Slovenian sparkling wine. We will have dinner at one of Lake Bled's extraordinary restaurants where the chef will prepare an amazing meal tonight alongside Slovenia's great red wines.



Meals: Breakfast/ Light Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Bohinjska Bistrica, Lake Bohinj, Aljažev Dom, Lake Bled

Accomplished: 14 miles / 23 km (Optional extra rides)

Accommodations: Vila Bled

### Day Three: Around Lake Bled and into the Mountains (9.7.2018)

We'll go for a spin this morning around Lake Bled before following the bike path to Kranjska Gora with fantastic views of the Julian Alps. Here we'll have two options: take an historical tour by van, stopping at the Russian Prisoner's Church, and enjoy a short hike around the Vršč Pass, or cycle up Vršč Pass. Either way, you can't go wrong. After lunch at the village restaurant in the mountains, we'll descend to the banks of the Soča River. Enjoy dinner on your own tonight in Bovec.



Meals: Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Kranjska Gora, Vršč Pass, Soča River, Kobarid

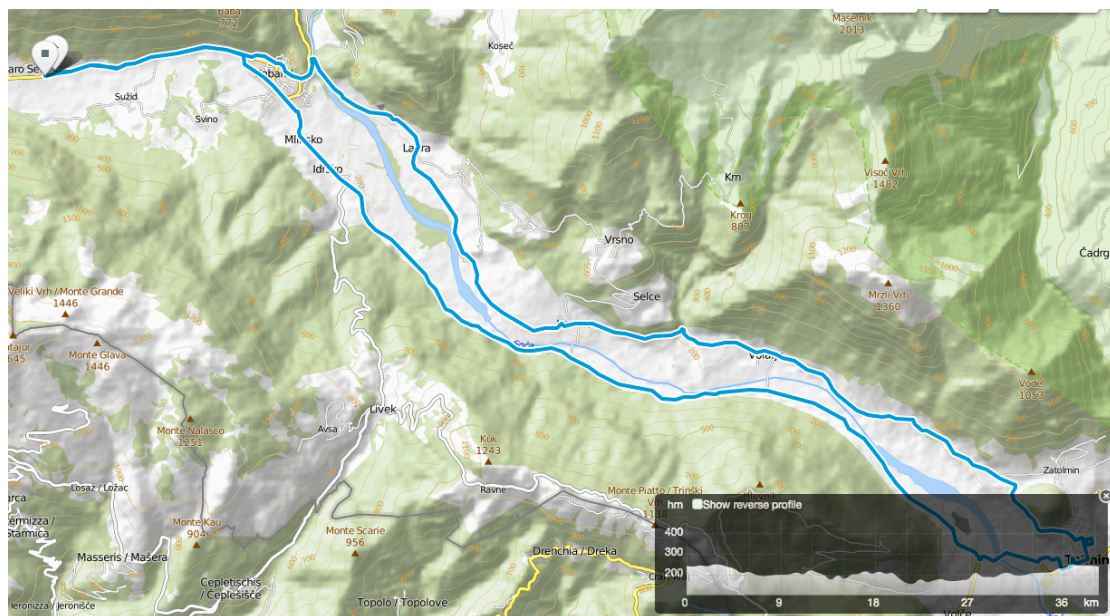
Accomplished: 29 miles / 47 km (possibility of extra ride to Vršč Pass, 10km of climbing @ 9% average)

Accommodations: Dobra Vila

**Day Four: Battle of Kobarid – Loop ride (10.7.2018)**

This historic ride known for WWI Isonzo front, described in Ernest Hemingway's novel *A Farewell to Arms*, a truly important site in Slovene heritage. Cycling in morning (around 2h) or rafting (highly recommended). We will then visit the World War I museum in Kobarid and learn the history of the area. After visiting the museum we will visit a secluded waterfall.

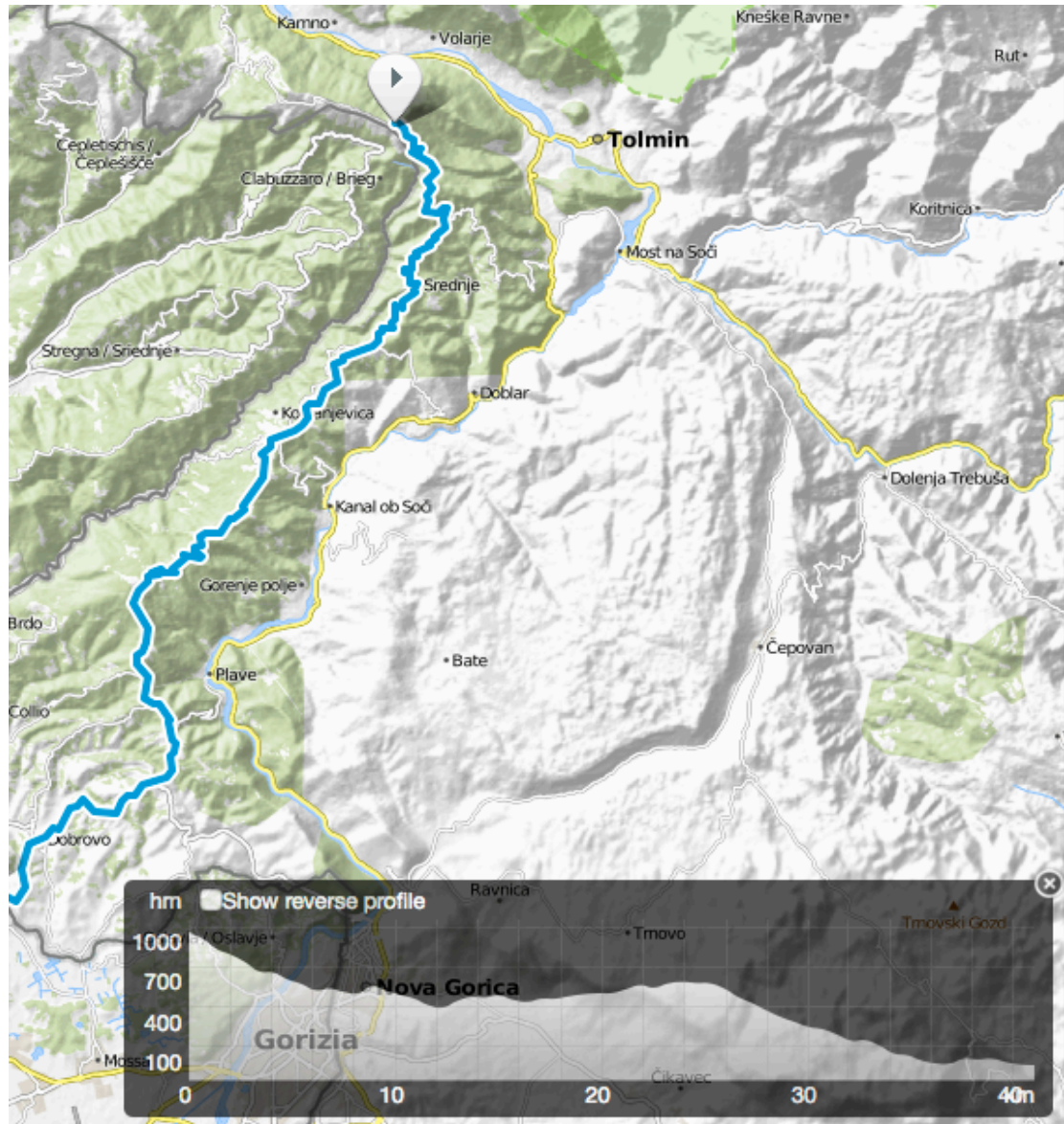
Spend the afternoon back at Dobra Vila relaxing or strolling the charming fields and forest surrounding the hotel. Tonight, be prepared for a feast of locally grown ingredients at Dobra Villa outstanding restaurant.



Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
Destinations: Soča River,  
Accomplished: 23 miles/33,5 km  
Accommodations: Dobra Vila

**Day Five: Into the Wine Country of the Goriška Brda (11.7.2018)**

This morning we transfer to Livek and explore trenches, which remain, from World War I. The beautiful scenery around us accents this historical visit spectacularly. Ride along the wooded mountain ridge on gently undulating roads down towards the Goriška Brda. We'll enjoy a fantastic picnic lunch prepared by your guide overlooking the vineyards with a view of Italy in the background. The Goriška Hills are home to some of Slovenia's most delicious wines, which we'll have the pleasure of sampling. Enjoy dinner at Hotel Gredič and toast a glass in its stylish champagne room before a memorable meal in their restaurant.



Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

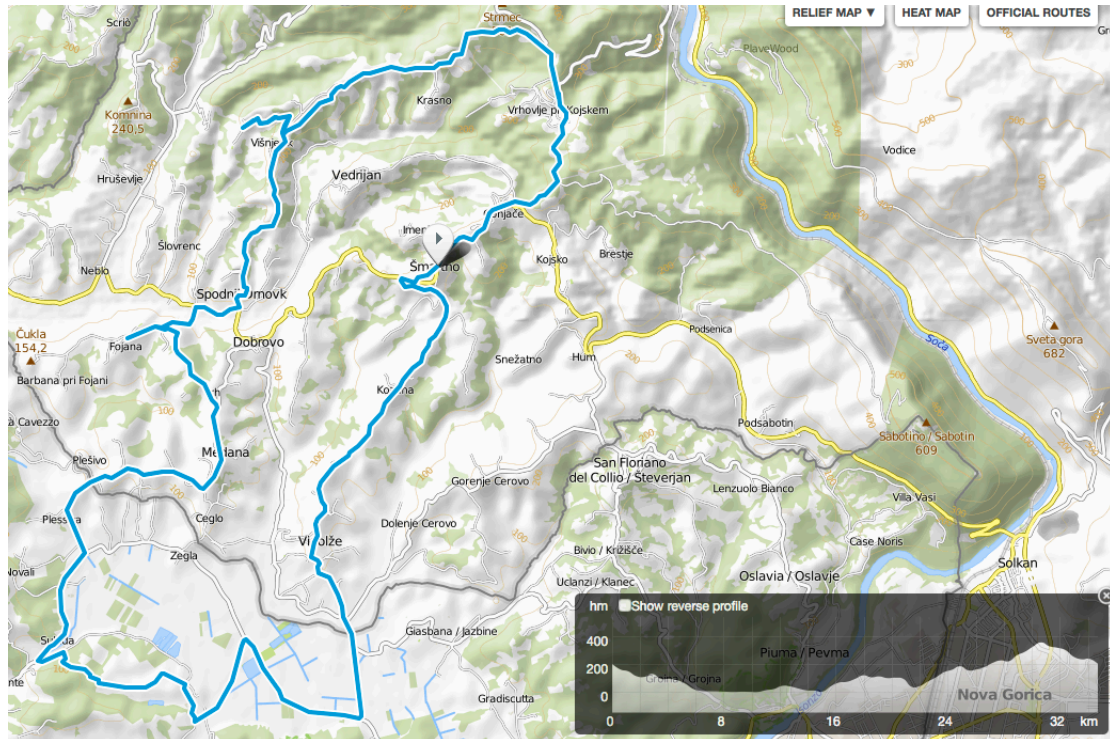
Destinations: Livek, Goriška Brda

Accomplished: 30 miles / 42 km

Accommodations: La Subida

**Day Six: Across the Border (12.7.2018)**

We'll find ourselves among the rolling hills of Italy today. Farm roads crisscross the national borders here, and we'll journey from one side to the other, tasting wines from both sides as we go. Meet some of the most internationally acclaimed winemakers of recent years. Taste the unique flavours and structure that Slovenia's soil gives to Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, as well as its native Rebula.



There is much to taste and learn there. This evening, after our international adventure, we'll celebrate the week in a stylish restaurant with the local family, overlooking the vineyards of Collio/Brda region.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Goriška Brda

Accomplished: 25 miles / 41 km

Accommodations: La Subida

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

**Destination:** Ljubljana

**Day 7: Goodbye Slovenia (13.7.2017)**

Good-bye morning. Short pre-breakfast ride in Italy. After breakfast you will be transferred to Ljubljana / airport / train station for your next destination.

Meals: Breakfast

**Cycling Tour sLOVEnia includes:**

- . Regions finest boutique accommodations
- . Daily breakfasts, all lunches, four gourmet dinners, Après vélo cocktails, and nutritious snacks
- . Expert guides with extensive local knowledge, who go above and beyond to cater to your every need
- . Complete van support every mile of the way to enjoy your vacation at your own pace (energy bars, gels, drinks, fruits during the ride)
- . Entrance fees to historic sites, fascinating museums, and scenic natural parks
- . Pick up and drop off before and after your tour from convenient locations
- . Gratuities for baggage, porters, and hotel service
- . 2 x wine tasting plus wine at the dinners and lunches
- . Non Alcoholic drinks
- . Quality bike rent (road/hybrid/e-bike) or vintage steel bike (number is limited)
- . Cycling kit (Slovenian National Team cycling kit or vintage wool cycling kit)

**~~Bike tour price: 3950€ / person~~**

**Last minute booking: Now 3160 / person – last 5 spots**

**Additional cost:**

- Airfare
- Tip
- Single supplement (400€ per week)

\*We are very flexible, if you would love to have a private / vintage bike tour program, just let us know and we will do our best to make the trip of your lifetime.

\*\*Minimum 4 guests, max. 12 guests on each bike tour.