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Salzburg to Vienna 2018

Cycle approximately 270 miles on this truly wonderful, and most picturesque cycling challenge from charming Salzburg to elegant Vienna. Join us as we encounter the mighty Danube for most of this journey as we make our way to the Austrian capital.

24th - 29th Sept 2018

Itinerary



Day 1 - Arrive in Salzburg

On arrival in Salzburg, you can check into the hotel from 3pm and spend your free time (flight-times/travel options dependent) exploring the city. You will meet the crew at registration together with details of the first days cycling. Your bikes will have arrived safely in advance and will be ready and waiting for you to start your challenge. As participants will be arriving throughout the day and evening, tonight's evening meal is not included (dining facilities are available throughout the day and evening at the hotel and the surrounding area)

Day 2 - Salzburg to Passau

Approximate cycling distance 115km (72 miles)

Our exciting event begins after breakfast, as we head north, leaving the hustle and bustle of Salzburg behind and cycling our way along the undulating countryside and stunning views that Austria is renowned for. Pedalling our way through many typical Austrian towns we head towards Seeham and the Obertrumer See, a bathing lake with excellent water quality. Passing through the stunning, undulating terrain, we continue north for a while before crossing the border of Austria into Germany. Changing our direction slightly, we head north east and begin to hug the River Inn for a short spell to Obernberg, before finally reaching Passau; the city of three rivers and our stop for the evening. Here you can enjoy the Spa and indoor pool at the hotel, or explore all that Passau has to offer!

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Itinerary cont...

Day 3 - Passau to Linz

Approximate cycling distance 103km (64 miles)

After a good night's rest and breakfast, we set off leaving Passau behind as we cycle our way to join the Danube River for the first time. Hugging the kind undulating cycle paths of this beautiful river, it is easy to see why this well cycled route is popular with both locals and tourists of all ages! Heading southeast, continuing along the famous Danube, the longest river in Europe; it is not long before we return to the border and back into Austria. We remain in the vicinity of the river all the way passing the quirky towns of Kastern and Schloggen, unless of course you choose not to! Around this point, you will have an option to continue along the river or take on some gentle to moderate climbing (max Category 3), before both route options reach our stop for the night in the provincial capital of Linz, with its charming historical centre of Renaissance houses. This city has a lot to see, from Baroque buildings to the old town main square.

Day 4 - Linz to Emmersdorf

Approximate cycling distance 101km (63 miles)

We set off after a good rest from Linz, continuing on a relatively flat terrain along the north side of the river. We then cycle east crossing the river to the south side, heading through the country's largest wine producing province in lower Austria. Totally spoilt by the romantic mountainous scenery, we savour all those sublime views and memories...which just keep getting better! Taking in the distance sights of many amazing architectural buildings, monasteries and castles we continue along the cycle paths. It's a shame to not explore those distant mountainous views a little closer right? So once again you can choose to take our hillier option just off the river, and experience several hills (Category 2 to 5), before rejoining the river as we head for our stop for the evening and a well earned rest, in the delightful small town of Emmersdorf, situated very close to the river banks in the district of Melk.

Day 5 - Emmersdorf to Vienna

Approximate cycling distance 120km (75 miles)

This morning, after breakfast, we embark onto the final leg of this outstanding adventure. Continuing our journey along the north side of the Danube, we encounter the pretty sunflower and wheat fields, as we cross to the south side for the final time whilst enjoying this delightful countryside towards Tulln. Continuing through the beautiful terrain, the excitement begins to build as we cycle to Austria's capital and our event finish in the artistic and intellectual city of Vienna. We will savour the final miles of this incredible journey together, through the city streets and onto our fitting finish, at Hofburg Palace; where we will celebrate our wonderful achievement and toast to a successful Genesis Charity ride!

Day 6 - Departure

After a leisurely breakfast, the event comes to an end. Your bikes will be safely transported back to the UK leaving you hassle free to continue with your onward arrangements or spend further days in this truly magnificent capital, the choice is yours!

Chapeau Events reserves the right to change the route or itinerary for safety reasons should local conditions dictate

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Frequently Asked Questions



What's Included?

- Transportation service for bikes from UK to Salzburg for the start of the ride and from Vienna back to the UK at the end of the event. Participants are responsible for their own travel to Salzburg for the start of the event and from Vienna at the end of the Event.
- Accommodation and transportation of luggage, from the start of the event on 24th - 28th September
- 3 meals per day and 2 water stops for each day of riding, from breakfast on 25th Sept until breakfast on 29th Sept 2018.
- Full trip support including mechanics, first aid, drivers and full route support
- Water stops
- Crew members for the duration of the ride both cycling with participants and in vehicles.

What's Excluded?

- Flights and transfers, both inbound and outbound. Participants are responsible for their own travel to Salzburg for the start of the event and from Vienna at the end of the Event.
- A bicycle
- Evening meal on the first arrival day, 24th Sept, as cyclist will be arriving at different times during the day.
- Personal travel insurance
- Drinks, personal items or entry to any optional tourist sites you may wish to visit.



How much does it cost?

You will need to pay a £120 registration fee to secure your place on the challenge and we then ask you to raise a minimum of £1700 for Prevent Breast Cancer, £850 of which needs to be raised eight weeks prior to the event, since part of your sponsorship will be used to pay for your place on the ride. For cyclists requesting to fund their own place, this is not a problem and can be arranged.

How will I get my bike back from Vienna?

When you arrive at your hotel in Vienna your bikes will be loaded onto transport and taken safely back to the UK for you. There will be pre-arranged drop of points in the UK to be determined. This will give you a lot more flexibility in your return travel.

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What food is included and does it cater for all diets?

Evening meals and breakfasts will be provided at the hotels, apart from the evening of day 1 as specified in the itinerary above. Lunches are provided by Chapeau Catering and are a generous buffet-style (cold) with plenty of energy food to keep you going! We will provide refreshments at each cycle checkpoint of which there will be 2 each day, in addition to lunch of course and consisting of water, juices and high-energy snacks - 1 in the morning and 1 in the afternoon.

Chapeau can cater for all special dietary requirements provided you let us know well in advance of the trip; however, if you have unique dietary requirements it is advised that you bring some of your favourite snacks with you for riding, as choice can be limited across European countries.

Who will be there to support me during the event?

Your trip will be led by experienced Chapeau Events crew. Our crew are selected for their experience in cycling events around the world, their friendliness and approachability, sense of humour and ability to safely and effectively deal with any situation that arises. Our crew leaders are also trained in expedition first-aid. You are in very safe hands with the Chapeau Events crew. The number of crew and support vehicles looking after you will depend on the final size of your group, but the team will be looking after every aspect of your trip whether that's transporting your luggage, sorting out any mechanical problems or giving you a lift in our back vehicle - our "Love bus". At Chapeau Events we pride ourselves on our high crew: cyclist ratio and believe it leads to greater trip enjoyment as well as excellent trip safety.



What happens to my luggage each day?

Our support vehicles are with the group all of the time. All luggage and spares will be carried in them as we travel to each destination. On reaching our hotels, at the end of each day, you will hand over your bike for safe overnight keeping and collect your luggage. Each morning, you will hand over your luggage and collect your bike. Obviously space is limited and hard-sided luggage is not suitable, so it is essential that your kit is packed in a soft sailing bag, rucksack or expedition kitbag.

Client Testimonials:

"It's been a brilliant trip and the team have been superb. Lots of support as we left en-route at each drink and feed station and at the end of every day."

"I've just come back from an incredible trip with Chapeau – what an unforgettable experience. Dave and his team are absolutely fantastic and provide the most wonderful experience."

"It wasn't just the location, weather and cycling, but the team you have which really made it stand apart. The organisation, catering & general helpfulness / professionalism of the Chapeau crew was really impressive"