

SMILTYNĖ – gateway to the Curonian Spit

4-hour guided cycle tour to the CURONIAN SPIT from Klaipėda, Lithuania (GX2)

Rider profiles: 17 km (11 miles) or 25 km (16 miles) easy riding even for non-experienced people

Don't miss an opportunity to explore this unique part of Lithuania – the **Curonian Spit National park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site**. This guided bicycle tour begins with a short ride on the **Dane River promenade** to the Old Ferry Terminal close to the **Old Memel Castle area** with its new **sailing marina, cruise ship & navy terminals**. After the short ferry crossing to Smiltynė, the cycling begins through the pine woods on the Curonian Spit to the sea harbour's gate which is famous for its **long moles (manmade sea-defences)**. En route we'll enjoy beautiful views of the **Baltic Sea, the Curonian Lagoon** and changing panoramic face of Klaipėda city with its modern skyscrapers. Explore an exhibition of **ancient wooden boats** and former **soviet trawlers** as well as a traditional **fisherman's smallholding** & say "hello" to the **Baltic seals** guarding the newly renovated Maritime Museum. Relax for a break on a fine, **sandy beach, go for a swim** in the sea and, perhaps, discover a **piece of amber** washed ashore.



When? at 9:30 am (July-August/weekdays, May-June & September/daily) or at other times by request (in any case a booking min. 24 hrs in advance is required)

Where? From DURATAI bike rental centre in Klaipėda, Naujoji Uosto str. 3 (Memelio Miestas / Memel City near car parking lot at a crossroad with Naujojo Sodo Str.)

Duration: 4 hours

Cycling distance: 17 km (11 miles) or 25 km (16 miles), most of the time you will cycle on bike paths and bicycle streets which are mainly flat, with some gentle undulations.

Price per person (standard time): 49 EUR (min. 4 people in group) or 89 EUR (min. 2 people in group)

Price per person (other time): 59 EUR (min. 4 people in group) or 99 EUR (min. 2 people in group)

The tour price includes:	Discounts:*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rent of good quality trekking bike - English speaking guide escort - A return ferry to Smiltynė - A bottle of drinking water (0.5 l) - Cycle map - Helmet and raincoat (on request) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 100% (for free) for children up to 5 years old in baby seat!* - 50% for children with child bike (24" wheels) and trailer bike* - 15% for group from 12 people or for people with own bikes - 10% for group from 8 people <p>* valid only when there are min. 4 participants paying a standard price, a few discounts are not summarised!</p>

Optional extras:

- E-bike/Pedelec (VDV – velo-de-ville.com, Kalkhoff) rental supplement - 20 EUR
- Bike rent after the tour (until 19:00 / 7:00 pm) – 10 EUR
- Food stop at the seaside coffee-bar is available (bigger groups have to be reserved in advance)
- The tour might be shortened, expanded by the needs of all participants of the tour.