

SELF-GUIDED CYCLING TOUR ALONG THE LITHUANIAN SEASIDE

8 days / 7 nights, from/to Klaipėda

The Baltic Sea coast in Lithuania with Palanga Resort and the Curonian Spit National Park, designated by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site, explored individually by bicycle on very scenic cycling routes. Experience traditional Lithuanian country life when cycling with storks in the Nemunas River Delta region. This tour partly covers the Seaside Cycle Route which is still only officially signposted, good quality cycle route in Lithuania. The tour begins & ends in the historic coastal town of Klaipėda (known as Memel for many years) which boasts a rich, turbulent history from 13thC. Nowadays, it's a bustling, modern town offering many excellent leisure options ranging from history tours, to water sports. There's a wide range of cafes & restaurants & many annual festivals, e.g. jazz, folklore. You can choose to spend extra nights here either at the beginning or end of the tour. During the tour you will spend 2 nights in Nida, the largest settlement on the Curonian Spit. It's the perfect place to enjoy a relaxing seaside break or explore on foot, by cycle or canoe its unique surroundings; its geology, birdlife, the influence of the Lagoon etc.



Cycling grade: We rate this trip Easygoing to Moderate. You will cycle on low traffic roads (a few stretches on gravel/sandy road) and separate cycle paths (half of the tour), including the Lithuanian Seaside Cycle Route. The terrain is dead flat most of the tour, except a few hills on the Curonian Spit.

Arrival & departure information

Ferry terminal: Klaipėda (DFDS ferries from Kiel, Germany & Karlshamn, Sweden; TT-Line ferries from Travemünde/Rostock, Germany & Karlshamn/Trelleborg, Sweden)

Airport: Klaipėda/Palanga (35 km/22 mi. away from Klaipėda, www.palanga-airport.lt). Regular flights from Amsterdam (NL), Copenhagen (DK), Riga (LV), London Stanstead (GB), Oslo and Bergen (NO). Due to many connecting flights (SAS, Air Baltic) it is easy to reach this airport from many cities in Europe via Copenhagen, Riga and Amsterdam.

Parking: car parking is available for extra charge in fenced car parking lot at the arrival hotel (4*) or close to the hotel (3*).

Tour code:	From Wednesday*	To Wednesday	Price per person in EUR (3* hotels x 7 nights)	Price per person in EUR (3* hotels x 4 nights + 4* hotel in Klaipėda x 3 nights)
27/SG1-01-III	May 19	May 26	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-03-III	June 2	June 9	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-04-III	June 9	June 16	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-05-III	June 16	June 23	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-06-III	June 23	June 30	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-07-III	June 30	July 7	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-08-III	July 7	July 14	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-09-III	July 14	July 21	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-10-III	July 21	July 28	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-11-III	July 28	August 4	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-12-III	August 4	August 11	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-13-III	August 11	August 18	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-14-III	August 18	August 25	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-15-III	August 25	September 1	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
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27/SG1-01-IV	May 20	May 27	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-03-IV	June 3	June 10	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-04-IV	June 10	June 17	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-05-IV	June 17	June 24	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-06-IV	June 24	July 1	DBL 695 SGL 1055	DBL 775 SGL 1195
27/SG1-07-IV	July 1	July 8	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-08-IV	July 8	July 15	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-09-IV	July 15	July 22	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-10-IV	July 22	July 29	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-11-IV	July 29	August 5	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-12-IV	August 5	August 12	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-13-IV	August 12	August 19	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-14-IV	August 19	August 26	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295
27/SG1-15-IV	August 26	September 2	DBL 755 SGL 1195	DBL 845 SGL 1295

* The tour can be started on any other dates May-September on request for the same Low season (01.05 - 25.06 & 27.08 - 30.09.2027) or High season (26.06 - 26.08.2027) rates:

- with minimum 4 people when a scheduled boat across the Curonian Lagoon is available;
- or with minimum 6 people when a charter boat across the Curonian Lagoon is booked.

ITINERARY – from/to Wednesday

(~250 km/156 mi., by minivan/bus ~ 40 km/25 mi./40 min,
by boat ~ 14 km/9 mi.)

Day 1 Wednesday: KLAIPĖDA

Arrive in Klaipėda. Individual transfer to the hotel (not included).
Check-in at the hotel.

OVERNIGHT: Klaipėda;

HOTEL: THE OLD MILL*** www.oldmillhotel.lt or

EUTERPĖ**** <http://euterpe.lt/> or similar

Day 2 Thursday: Along the Seaside Cycle Route to Palanga Resort (~58 km/36 mi.)

Information meeting at your hotel where you will be greeted by a BALTIC BIKE TRAVEL representative. Cycle along the Lithuanian Seaside Cycle Route to Palanga resort. The route leads you through Giruliai Forest and the Seaside Regional Park, a former soviet military polygon area. En route explore the Dutchman's Cap – a 24-meter-high coastal cliff and Plazė Lake. In Palanga you can visit the Botanical Park and Amber Museum, explore J.Basanavičius pedestrian street with many cafes & restaurants and the 470 m pier heading into the Baltic Sea. Return to Klaipėda using the same or slightly different route.

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Day 3 Friday: Cycling with storks on country roads to Šilutė (~47 km/29 mi., by minibus ~40 km)

Take a short transfer by minibus to the inland and start your cycling ride on picturesque country roads to Šilutė. This region has one the largest population of storks in Europe. The White Stork truly deserves its place as Lithuanian's national bird. En route stop in Švėkšna village to explore the estate with its beautiful park and impressive neo-gothic church of St.Jacob the Apostle. Arrival in Šilutė, check-in at the hotel.

OVERNIGHT: Šilutė; HOTEL: GILIJA*** www.silutesgilija.lt or similar.

Day 4 Saturday: RUSNĖ Island & the NEMUNAS River Delta (~44 km/28 mi.)

Explore Šilutė town and go for a return ride to Rusnė Island, which is the only Lithuania's island located in the Nemunas River Delta Regional Park. Be sure to visit Rusnė village and find a new monument of famous Indian leader Mahatma Gandhi and his intimate friend Hermann Kallenbach. From there you can see the Russian oblast of Kaliningrad just 100 metres across the Nemunas river. Cycle around the island and explore its wild nature and beautiful views from birdwatching towers and the 19th C lighthouse in Uostadvaris Harbour.

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Day 5 Sunday: Cycling to VENTĖ Cape & crossing the Curonian Lagoon to NIDA (~33 km/21 mi., by boat ~14 km/9 mi.).

Cycle to Ventė Cape where you may visit a museum of ornithology and one of the first bird ringing stations in Europe, the 19th C lighthouse which has a panoramic view of the unique landscape - glistening waters of the Curonian Lagoon and the great sand dunes. Today, one million birds pass through Ventė Cape each migratory year. Take a boat to cross the Curonian Lagoon. Arrival in Nida followed by a bike ride to the hotel. Check-in at the hotel.

OVERNIGHT: Nida; HOTEL: NERIJA*** <https://neringahotels.lt/en/> or similar.

Day 6 Monday: NIDA – leisure time by the Baltic Sea (~10 km/6 mi.)

Free day to explore Nida which is a former old fishermen's village on the Curonian Spit washed by the Baltic Sea on one side and the Curonian Lagoon on the other. Today Nida is the largest settlement in Neringa region and one of the most beautiful resorts in Lithuania. Cycle or walk along impressive sand dunes, visit the most popular places of interest – the Fisherman's House, the summer house of famous German writer Thomas Mann and the Amber Gallery.

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Day 7 Tuesday: Along sand dunes of the Curonian Spit NIDA-JUODKRANTĖ-KLAIPĖDA (~57 km/36 mi.)

Follow an asphalt bike path of the Seaside Cycle Route which takes you along the Curonian Spit to Klaipėda. En route you can stop to explore on foot the "Dead" sand dunes, watch a colony of grey herons and cormorants, visit the Hill of Witches which houses a hundred fanciful and folksy wooden sculptures of Lithuanian legends scattered along a forest path, or just relax, swim in the Baltic Sea and take the sun on golden beaches. Finally, take a local ferry from Smiltynė to the Old Town of Klaipėda and cycle to the hotel. Check-in at the hotel.

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Day 8 Wednesday: KLAIPĖDA

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THE TOUR INCLUDES:	THE TOUR EXCLUDES:
- 7 nights stay at the hotels including all hotel taxes - Breakfast daily - Luggage transport Klaipėda – Šilutė, Šilutė – harbour – Nida & Nida – Klaipėda - Transfer by minibus Klaipėda – Veiviržėnai - Boat trip across the Curonian Lagoon to Nida - Individual information package (city guide, maps, program & route description) - GPS Tracks - Emergency contact numbers	- Arrival and departure transfers - Bicycle rent - Lunches & dinner - Tips

OPTIONAL EXTRAS:

A. RENTAL

- Rental of trekking bicycle (KTM, VDV) with 8-speed Shimano Nexus hub gears & back-pedal break or 24-speed Shimano derailleur gears & free-wheel (optionally), equipped with a waterproof back pannier (20 litres, Ortlieb) – 89 EUR per person, 15 EUR for extra day
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- Rental of E-bike/Pedelec with Bosch driving system (*VDV*) equipped with a waterproof back pannier (20 litres) – 199 EUR per person, 35 EUR for extra day
- Rental of E-bike/Pedelec with Bosch driving system (*VDV*) equipped with a waterproof back pannier (20 litres) + **handlebar bag with map/smartphone holder (Ortlieb)** – 219 EUR/person, 37 EUR for extra day
- Rental of E-bike/Pedelec with Bosch driving system (*CUBE*) equipped with a waterproof back pannier (20 litres) + **handlebar bag with map/smartphone holder (Ortlieb)** – 249 EUR/person, 39 EUR for extra day



- Rental of aluminum gravel bike including a **handlebar bag with map/smartphone holder (Ortlieb)** – 159 EUR/person, 26 EUR for extra day
- Rental of aluminum gravel bike including a **handlebar bag with map/smartphone holder (Ortlieb)** + equipped with a back rack and waterproof back pannier (20 litres, Ortlieb) – 199 EUR/person, 29 EUR for extra day



- Rental of light carbon gravel bike (*Silverback Siabło CF*) including a **handlebar bag with map/smartphone holder (Ortlieb)** – 199 EUR/person, 35 EUR for extra day
- Rental of light carbon gravel bike (*Silverback Siabło CF GRX*) including a **handlebar bag with map/smartphone holder (Ortlieb)** + equipped with a back rack and waterproof back pannier for luggage up to 15 kg (20 litres, Ortlieb) – 239 EUR/person, 39 EUR for extra day

- Rental of bicycle tachometer (*min. 4 functions*) and it's installation on the bicycle – 10 EUR per bicycle
- Rental of waterproof handlebar bag with map/smartphone holder (*Ortlieb*) or waterproof back pannier (20 litres, Ortlieb) – 15 EUR per bicycle

- Rental of helmet (size S, M, L, XL) – 10 EUR per person

B. TRANSFERS (20% surcharge for late and early hours from 23:00-07:00):

- Arrival transfer by car (1-3 people) – 89 EUR per transfer (Palanga Airport) or 59 EUR per transfer (Klaipeda central ferry terminal);
- Departure transfer by car (1-3 people) – 79 EUR per transfer (Palanga Airport) or 49 EUR per transfer (Klaipeda central ferry terminal);
- Arrival transfer by minivan (4-7 people) – 139 EUR per transfer (Palanga Airport) or 89 EUR per transfer (Klaipeda central ferry terminal);
- Departure transfer by minivan (4-7 people) – 129 EUR per transfer (Palanga Airport) or 79 EUR per transfer (Klaipeda central ferry terminal);

C. PRE/POST TOUR ACCOMMODATION IN KLAIPĖDA

Hotel in Klaipeda **OLD MILL HOTEL***** www.oldmillhotel.lt or similar

SGL 115 EUR per room per night, including breakfast

DBL 125 EUR per room per night, including breakfast

Hotel in Klaipeda **EUTERPE****** <http://euterpe.lt/> or similar

SGL 135 EUR per room per night, including breakfast

DBL 145 EUR per room per night, including breakfast

D. GUIDE SERVICES

- English speaking local tour guide services for 5 days (Days 2-7 excluding a free day in Nida), including guide's hotel in Šilutė, rental of trekking bike (extra charge for an e-bike for the e-bikers group), ferry across the Curonian Lagoon, tickets for public buses from/to Nida and local ferry in Klaipėda – 1695 EUR for a group of 1-10 people

OTHER RATES AND CONDITIONS:

- Tour price from 3 years old in extra bed in DBL room – 15% discount from the tour package price in DBL room
- For children up to 3 years old in parents' room without extra bed – no cost
- Minimum group size on fixed departure dates – 2 people, on any other dates May-September on request for the same Low season (01.05 - 25.06 & 27.08 - 30.09.2027) or High season (26.06 - 26.08.2027) rates:
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