

# **Italy Piedmont 2024**









- 7 overnight stays with breakfast (Sunday to Sunday)
- 5 multiple course, selected dinners
- 1 multiple course lunch
- Water at dinner
- All visitor's tax and tourism levies
- All intermediate transfers according to programme
- All admission fees according to programme
- Rotalis Pedelec incl. a waterproof double-sided luggage bag
- Rotalis support vehicle
- Rotalis luggage service
- Rotalis drinking bottle
- 2 Rotalis travel guides
- Additional (city-) tours in Turin and Cherasco
- Wine tasting in Barolo
- Spumante tasting in Canelli
- Wine accompaniment at one dinner









# **Tagesablauf**

#### **DAY 1: SUNDAY**

In Turin, you will be awaited by the traditional Grand Hotel Sitea\*\*\*\*\*, a centrally located hotel and one of the best hotels in the city. At 5:30pm, we will meet up in the hotel lobby for a city round tour and can learn more about the beautiful sights of the city from a local city guide. The former capital city of the Savoy will captivate you with its magnificent buildings dating back to the Baroque period as well as the glamorous cafés with a long tradition. You will then have the evening to your own disposal.

### DAY 2: MONDAY Turin - Cherasco (42 km)

In the morning, we will travel an approx. one-hour journey by bus to San Damiano d'Asti. After we have taken a walk around the picturesque village, we will begin our cycling trip. Travelling on small paths, our route leads through the Roero region, which is known for its agricultural products such as peaches, honey or the excellent white wine Roero Arneis. While travelling on desolate roads, past numerous hazelnut fields, we will approach our stage destination Cherasco. In order to avoid a very busy street, we will bridge the last kilometres there with a transfer. In Cherasco, we will then be awaited by the noble Hotel Somaschi\*\*\*\*, a hotel which was developed from a monastery complex (two overnight stays and a swimming pool). In the evening, we will enjoy the highly acclaimed hotel restaurant.

#### DAY 3: TUESDAY Cherasco - Barolo - Cherasco (38 km)

In the morning, we will travel a short journey by taxi to La Morra, the balcony of the Barolo region. We will enjoy the dream-like view in one of the most famous wine growing areas in Italy, before we cycle a long descent to Grinzane Cavour. Here we will visit the residence of Camillo Cavour (from the outside), one of the most important protagonists of the Italian reunification (Risorgimento). Our route then leads through small villages such as Serralunga or Monforte with their medieval town centres. We can enjoy splendid views of the vineyards time and again. We will make a stop in Barolo, and will visit one of the best wineries. We can learn more about the famous red wines of the region during a tour and subsequent wine tasting. We will then take a short transfer back to Cherasco. In the evening, we will dine in one of the best restaurants in the city (including wine accompaniment).

## DAY 4: WEDNESDAY Cherasco – Castiglione Tinella (49 km)

In the morning, we will take a tour with a local tour guide through Cherasco and will visit the Palazzo Gotti di Salerano, which will open its gates especially for us. We will continue to encounter the trails of Napoleon, who spent the night in Cherasco in the Palazzo Salmatoris at the end of his Italian campaign and rearranged the map of Italy here. We will then travel by taxi to Belvedere Langhe. Travelling via the places Murazzano and Bossolasco which are known for their cheese, our path then leads on a ridgeway through the Alta Langha. In good conditions, dream-like views continue to open up in the direction of the Maritime Alps with the striking Monviso (3481 m). At the end of the cycling day, we are awaited by the family run Hotel Castiglione Langhe\*\*\* (two overnight stays and a swimming pool). We will enjoy our evening in the hotel.





### DAY 5: THURSDAY Castiglione Tinella – Barbaresco – Castiglione Tinella (49 km)

In the morning, we will leave Castiglione Tinella during a descent and will soon arrive at the picturesque Neive. We will take the time to explore this small municipality, which is one of the borghi più belli d'Italia, before we continue our cycling journey and arrive at Barbaresco, the principal place of the wine growing region of the same name. We can enjoy a dream-like view of the vineyards, the Tanaro River and the hills of the Roero region from the landmark of Barbaresco, the Sarazenen tower. Travelling via Treiso and Mango, our path leads back to Castiglione Tinella. One can enjoy the rest of the afternoon at the lovely pool, before we meet up for dinner in the local Osteria.

#### DAY 6: FRIDAY Castiglione Tinella – Asti (51 km)

After breakfast, our path leads through San Stefano Belbo, the birth-place of Cesare Pavese, who created several literary monuments for the Langhe. In Canelli, we will visit one of the renowned sparkling wine manufacturers and will take a tour through the impressive underground wine cellar. We will also be able to test the quality of the Spumanti during a tasting. Afterwards, we will travel through vineyards and desolate villages to Asti. Here we will be welcomed by the Hotel Aleramo\*\*\*\*, situated in a prime location. We can enjoy a stroll through the old town, with its squares, Geschlechtertürmen (tower structures) and countless restaurants. As tomorrow's lunch is included in the travel price, you will have the evening to your own disposal. Numerous restaurants can be found near to our hotel.

#### DAY 7: SATURDAY Asti – Turin (54 km)

In order to avoid the early traffic, we will travel for a few minutes by train to Baldichieri d'Asti. Here we will mount our bikes and after a short journey, we will arrive at the San Secondo church, a country church worth seeing, which dates back to the Romanesque period. Travelling through the hilly Monferrato, our path leads to the north up to the pilgrimage church of Castelnuovo Don Bosco. The imposing building can already be seen from afar and was constructed in the honour of the town's most famous son. Born in severe poverty, Giovanni Bosco was to set new standards in child upbringing and was sainted by the Vatican in 1934. We will then travel a 30-minute journey by bus to our restaurant for lunch, where the best Piedmontese country cuisine awaits us (included in the travel price). We will then travel over one or two hills, before we will reach the Po valley during a long descent and cycle the remaining cycling route on the Po cycle path to Turin. Here we will be welcomed by the stylish Grand Hotel Sitea\*\*\*\*\* once again. We will have our closing dinner in a well-known restaurant and will end our journey as we enjoy our last dinner together.

#### **DAY 8: SUNDAY Departure**

As there is nothing on today's programme, your departure can be arranged individually. There are busses which travel regularly to the Caselle airport. The stop can easily be reached on foot from the hotel.

### **ADDITIONAL NIGHTS**

We gladly assist you on booking additional nights. All prices are on request. Please note, that it can be cheaper, when you book additional nights by yourself.





# **Dates and prices**

**19.05.24[\$afte**]2.299 € **26.05.24[\$afte**]2.299 € **02.06.24[\$afte**]2.299 € **25.08.24** / ab 2.299 €

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