

# EASY CYCLING TOURS

## GERMAN CYCLING TOURS

### Berlin/Potsdam – On demand



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## Full Day Tour

Full day tour from Berlin to Potsdam.

Berlin is the capital city and one of 16 states of Germany, with a population nearing 4 million (close to New Zealand's). It is Germany's largest and second most populous city and the eighth most populous urban area in the European Union. The City enjoys a temperate seasonal climate with round one third of its territory composing forests, parks, gardens, rivers and lakes.

This relaxed, full day cycling tour takes you from the centre of Berlin either through the Tiergarten or from Viktoria Luise Platz and then west through the City's affluent western suburbs to the forests to the south-west of the Capital, around Wannsee lake and on to Potsdam, famous for its magnificent castles and parks.

On the way you will cycle through the Grunewald, past Wannsee (where Berliners come to swim and relax), visit the villa which hosted the 1941 Wannsee Conference, ride over the Glienicke Bridge (where spies were exchanged at the height of the Cold War) and see and visit many other sights. Right in the middle of Potsdam is the Sanssouci Palace, the summer residence of Friedrich the Great with its English gardens. We also see the last home of the Hohenzollern family, Cecilienhof Palace in the New Garden where the Allies held their Potsdam conference in 1945 and reached agreement about the post-war shape of Europe.

Potsdam is also famous for its historic Old Town where you will discover streets, courts, baroque buildings, impressive churches and the Dutch Quarter. Around this area you will find many more 'international' sites that reveal something of the openness Potsdam is so famous for: the Russian Colony Alexandrowka, the Bohemian Weber Quarter, the Swiss Colonist Settlement as well as churches and Italianate villas.

This single page flyer is not intended to be a definitive guide to Potsdam but will give interested travellers an introduction to this amazing town. The further information on our website and the complimentary guide we give our guests provide much more detail and are an indication of our enthusiasm for this tour.

## Places of Interest we visit include:

Having entered the western suburbs of Berlin, see a number of sights, including the Funkturm, International Congress Centrum, Grunewald, Wannsee Lake, Max Liebermann Villa, Wannsee Conference Villa, Peacock Island, Wirtshaus Moorlake Restaurant, Glienicke Bridge Cecilienhof, New Garden, Sanssouci, New Palace, Botanical Garden, Picture Gallery, Chinese House, Potsdam historic centre, Potsdam's Brandenburg Gate. Then return to Berlin by train to the Zoologischer Garten, seeing the Kaiser Wilhelm Church and KaDeWe before returning to Viktoria-Luise Platz.



## Logistics

All guests are required to bring any items required for use en route, such as warm clothing, a rain jacket, water and any snack treats.

The distance cycled is moderate being about 45km at most. Guests will therefore, need to be reasonably fit although being part of the 'lycra brigade' is not a prerequisite! The terrain is flat and the weather is generally fine and sunny, however there are no guarantees that this will be the case! If it rains, you may get wet. There is not much we can do about the weather. We return to Berlin by train.

## Summary

Guided full day cycling tour from Berlin to Potsdam.

Total: 70€ per person  
NZ\$110 per person

Extras: Lunch, any admission fees to museums, snacks, etc.

Upgrade to a motorised bicycle: 35€. NZ\$55.

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