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PIEDMONT: The Langhe Hills

The Langhe is a cyclist's paradise, famous for its rolling hills adorned with world-famous vineyards. Quiet, low-traffic roads, pretty medieval villages, each renowned for its exceptional red wines. Off the bike, truffle hunting, church domes and the **best regional cuisine in Italy**. Imagine yourself on the crest of the hill, beneath the vineyards, with the majestic panorama of the **Alps on the horizon**.

1st day – Arrival in Italy, welcome and warm-up ride

2nd day – Barbaresco, red wine vineyards tour

3rd day – Barolo, tour of the castles

4th day – Alta Langa, between hazelnuts and sheep cheese

5th day – Roero, white wine vineyards tour

6th day – Greetings and see you soon with us on the Italian roads





Road Tour

Spring/Fall Tour

Regular itinerary: For recreational cyclist level

Total ride distance 125 miles (200 KM)

Total climbing 13,300 feet (4.050 mt)

Extended itinerary: For enthusiast or avid cyclist level

Total ride distance 165 miles (265 KM)

Total climbing 18,500 feet (5.600 mt)











1st day – Arrival in Italy, welcome and warm-up ride

Arrival in Italy. We pick you up at Milan (MPX) Airport or at the other pickup point previously agreed. Approximately two hour van transfer to Monforte in the Langhe region.

Hotel Check-in and after a light lunch you have two options: few hours to recover from the fatigues of the trip and relax in the hotel's or setup and test your bike with a short warm-up ride with our guides.

LONG TOUR: 22 miles – 2,350 feet



SHORT TOUR: 14 miles – 1,600 feet









2nd day – Barbaresco, red wine vineyards tour

We are in the Langhe, famous for the best Italian red wines: Barolo, Barbaresco, Barbera. Hills covered by vineyards with fun climbs, never very long.

Destination Barbaresco, reached after two climbs and passing through the villages of Benevello, Mango, Neive (the most beautiful village in the Langhe), to then finish the tour in Alba, the city of truffles.

LONG TOUR: 34 miles - 4,300 feet



SHORT TOUR: 26 miles - 2,950 feet









3rd day – Barolo, 6 castles tour

Barolo is the most prestigious wine area in Italy, it is made up of 11 villages, the tour we have prepared for you passes through the vineyards of 8 of these and touches 6 castles that recall the feudal past of these lands.

The tour goes around the Barolo basin, among the many points of interest the Belvedere of La Morra, the Barolo Chapel and the Village of Perno

LONG TOUR: 34 miles - 4,085 feet















SHORT TOUR: 27 miles - 3,180 feet





4th day – Alta Langa, between hazelnuts and sheep cheeses

Alta Langa is the southern part where the Langhe hills reach the Ligurian sea.

Vineyards of white grapes for sparkling wine, many cultivations of fine hazelnuts from the Langhe and grazing sheep.

After four climbs (including Fausto Coppi's training climb) you arrive at the halfway point of Murazzano, the home of the sheep's robbiola cheese of the same name, which you will taste with Cugnà (!!!)

LONG TOUR: 34 miles – 4,230 feet



SHORT TOUR: 27 miles - 3,150 feet







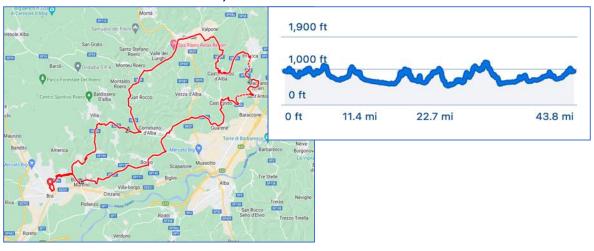


5th day – Roero, white wine vineyards tour

Roero, the secret part of the Langhe, a long ride in the less famous areas, but full of charm.

A long series of ascents takes us from the high hill of Monforte to the plain of Bra

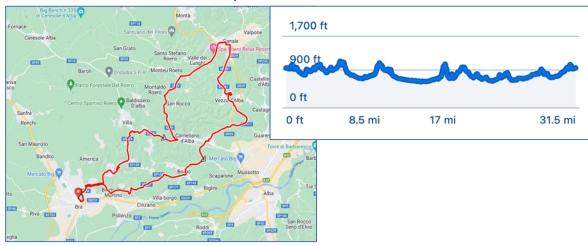
LONG TOUR: 41 miles - 3,480 feet



SHORT TOUR: 31 miles - 2,500 feet









6th day – Greetings and see you soon with us on the Italian roads



After breakfast, it's time to say goodbye and start the journey back home.

If you come back home, we will take you to Milan (MPX) airport, or if you plan to stay longer to visit Italy, we will be happy to help you.

We hope to see you soon on one of our tours on the roads of Italy



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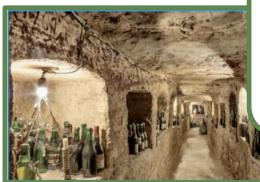
Don't want to get bored? The activities we propose for the afternoon:



The Wild Woman was in peasant society, the bearer of ancient culture and the archetype of a free and wild nature. Romano Levi, artisan grappa producer, has revived this mythological figure. This and much more in the Neive Mystery Tour.



Visit to the city of Bra (City of the international cheese fair "CHEESE BRA") with tasting of Piedmontese mountain cheese, the highlight is the spectacular mountain pasture Castlemagno cheese.



Barolo and Barbaresco are undoubtedly the best Italian red wines. They are grown on the hills of the Langhe with very strict quality rules. We will do a tasting starting with Barbera and then Barbaresco and Barolo.



Truffle hunting at sunset, following a professional truffle hunter (Trifolau) with the help of his dog (Lagotto), we go in search of one of the prized white truffles of Alba.

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DINNER IN THE GREAT ITALIAN "TRATTORIA"

OSTERIA LA TORRE (Cherasco)

www.instagram.com/osterialatorre_cherasco

Snails, snails, snails are the specialty of the village of Cherasco and above all here at the Osteria della Torre. Don't panic because there is much more waiting for you on the table, they won't leave you hungry. One of the most beautiful taverns in the Langhe with Michelin Bib Gourmand award-winning cuisine

Highlights dishes ¹

<u>Starter</u>: Piemontese-style Steak tartare with hazelnuts and Alba white truffle

 $\underline{\textbf{First course}} : \textbf{Potato gnocchi stuffed with snails grilled with}$

parsley chlorophyll and green ribs

<u>Main course</u>: Ruché wine Braised Piemontese Beef



LOCANDA DELL'ARCO (Cissone) www.instagram.com/lodarc

Locanda dell'Arco, the hidden gem, the place to rest your limbs, taste traditional dishes, made with seasonality and quality of the raw materials. Pampered by a competent service, you will not find any flights of fancy, but only reassuring frankness. There are two wine lists, Barolo and Barbaresco, depth of vintages and a convincing representation of the area.

Highlights dishes ¹

<u>Starter</u>: Pepper roll and tuna mousse with fried anchovis **First course**: Buckwheat noodles with lamb and pistachio sauce

Main course: Wild board with chestnuts



OSTERIA VIGNAIOLO (La Morra) http://osteriadelvignaiolo.it

Piedmontese tradition inspires the dishes of this restaurant that has made history in the Langa. The service is attentive and the cellar is among the most complete. The panoramic dehore in the summer offers a privileged view of the hills.

Highlights dishes ¹

<u>Starter</u>: Roasted peppers with thuna , anchovies ,capers <u>First course</u>: Typical ravioli "del plin" stuffed with meat,

vegetables and beef sauce

Main course: Jugged guinea fowl on toasted polenta with

liver patè and black cabbage





DINNER IN THE GREAT ITALIAN "TRATTORIA"

RISTORANTE AROMATARIO (Neive) www.instagram.com/aromatario_neive

We are in Neive, the most beautiful village in the Barbaresco area, perched on the hill with its castle overlooking the vineyards. It will be nice to get lost in the alleys and drink an aperitif before arriving at Aromatario. It is the restaurant run by very young friends, excellent seasonal cuisine between tradition and innovation and an excellent Langhe wine cellar. This evening it's Barbaresco's turn.

Highlights dishes ¹

<u>Starter</u>: Veal tongue with traditional red bagnet sauce,

marinated beetroot

<u>First course</u>: Tajarin, handmade egg yolk tagliolini with

sausage ragù

Main course: Local rabbit cooked in Arneis wine, agretti



RISTORANTE BATTAGLINO (Bra) www.instagram.com/ristorantebattaglino

We are in Bra, the city famous for the international "Cheese" fair and because the Slow Food movement was born here, a city dedicated to food, wine and the sustainable growth of small artisans who produce food. We couldn't take you to our favorite restaurant, Battaglino will welcome us with its haute cuisine and splendid cellar. We think you will be happy.

Highlights dishes ¹

<u>Starter</u>: "Truset» salad, low temperature cooked eel and sweet and sour peppers

First course: Meat »bollito» ravioli on creamed potatoes

and white pepper

Main course: "Toumin dal Mel» cheese with turnip tops and

Bra sausage





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SOME ACCOMODATIONS RESERVED FOR YOU

LIVING IN THE CHARM 1

We have selected some beautiful boutique hotel, historical house or vinery house, where you will enjoy to stay in relax during you holiday.

Most of them have SPA treatment available in a charming exclusive environment.

Our tours involve staying in a single hotel for the entire holiday, to avoid the commitment of transfers and to have more time to immerse yourself in the culture of the area.





CORTE GONDINA BOUTIQUE HOTEL— LA MORRA www.instagram.com/cortegondina

The Corte Gondina, a boutique hotel in the heart of the Langhe. We, together with the charming staff, will provide you with an authentic experience, designed especially for you.

VILLA BECCARIS – MONFORTE

www.instagram.com/hotel_villa_beccaris

Villa Beccaris is located in an extraordinary position near to the town of Alba and it is the ideal place, rich in history, culture and beauty, where to spend unforgettable relaxing moments. This stunning XVIIIth century Villa, surrounded by the Alps and facing the Barolo hills (part of the Unesco World Heritage List), offers to its guests breathtaking views on the Langhe vineyards and on the picturesque Monforte village.



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What's Included

ACCOMODATION

- 5 night in Historical Mansions, 4* Luxury Hotels, Villas or Wine Resort located in special places
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Concierge & suggestion service for additional vacation

TRANSPORT

- Guest pick-up / drop-off in airport or other meeting point
- All-vacation long, guests, bikes and luggage transport, as planned

MEALS

- · 5 daily breakfasts in hotel
- 5 lunches during the pedaling time
- 5 social hours aperitivo
- 5 dinners in 5 different GREAT ITALIAN TRATTORIA with the best Italian regional wines

MORNING ACTIVITIES

- 5 riding days, 2 daily itineraries with different grade of effort
- · 2 expert local certified guides multilingual will ride with you and support all day
- 1 professional mechanic with support/SAG Van during the tour
- Energy bars and sports drink during bike time
- Daily bike maintenance and daily laundry service for bike clothing
- GPX daily tours documentation
- Hirides cycling kit

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

- Usually our hotels have a swimming pool, sauna, SPA and gym where relax and unwind after cycling
- Visits of tourist cities with professional guides, and other activities as described in the tour program
- Wine tasting/oil tasting at the producers' premises. Visits to dairies with demonstration of cheese making, as described in the tour program

YOUR BELOVED BICYCLE OR RENTAL BIKE/EBIKE

Please see further ahead our bicycle policies

PERSONAL INSURANCE

• Civil Liability Insurance and Italian Health Insurance for non European citizens

Not Included

AIRFARE TO FROM ITALY

Through our partners we can organize the flight for you (ON-REQUEST)

BEFORE AND AFTER TOUR

· Meals, transportation, hotel costs or expenses in the days before and/or after the tour

HIRIDES.COM STAFF GRATUITIES

· Staff Hirides.com gratuities is not included

TRAVEL INSURANCE

· Personal Travel Protection Plan not included, but heavily suggested

HIRIDES CYCLING KIT

 We prepare you the cycling kit for you that you can find on <u>www.hirides.com/gears</u>. You can order more than one, but it will have an additional cost

LUGGAGE AND BIKE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

- Luggage service, before/after tour days (ON-REQUEST)
- Bike transport service, before/after tour days (ON-REQUEST)
- Door-2-Door bike transportation service (ON-REQUEST)

UPGRADE BIKE/E-BIKE RENTAL LEVEL

• Upgrade rental for advanced bike or dream bike

PERSONAL EXPENSES

- Cost of passport and visas
- Personal expenses while on the vacation
- Personal transportations when not included on the Tour
- · Beverages not specifically agree/included
- Additional hotel expenses, mini-bar, wellness treatments
- Optional activities not scheduled in Hirides.com Tours
- All not explicitly declared in the tour description



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CYCLIST SKILLS LEGENDA

With the e-gravel bike that we prepare for you, your pedaling will have up to 40% more assistance.

You will be able to easily keep up with the group, make the challenging climbs and enjoy the views and Italian roads.

RECREATIONAL LEVEL

For RECREATIONAL cyclists

Active vacationer, adventure rider and enjoys sightseeing. Ideal day for this cyclist:

- Average activity duration: 2/3 hours
- Average daily mileage: up to 30 miles (50 Km)
- Average daily altitude difference: up to 2600 feet (800 mt)



ENTHUSIAST LEVEL

For ENTHUSIAST cyclists

Has participated in a gran fondos or other bike charity event, adventure rider, active vacationer. Not too interested in racing Ideal day for this cyclist:

- Average activity duration: 3/4 hours
- Average daily mileage: up to 40 miles (65 Km)
- Average daily altitude difference: up to 4000 feet (1200 mt)



AVID LEVEL

For AVID cyclists

Participates in bike races, rides gran fondos, loves adventure riding and big days in the saddle.

Ideal day for this cyclist:

- Average activity duration: 4/6 hours
- Average daily mileage: over 50 miles (80 Km)
- Average daily altitude difference: over 6000 feet (1800 mt)





BICYCLE POLICIES: e-Bike

Embark on your cycling adventure your way! Whether you prefer to travel light and let us provide the perfect bike for your journey or bring along your beloved two-wheeler, we've got you covered. **Explore the tailored options we've prepared just for you below**.

Standard e-Bike (included in the tour price)

We make it easy for you to travel light and enjoy an extended vacation. Let us prepare a high-performance e-bike for your tour, ready for you upon arrival at hotel.

Bianchi e-Arcadex Carbon E-Gravel → Shimano GRX Disc 11-Speed, BOSCH CX Motor Drive with 500W Battery

Each bike is prepared for you, the rental costs are included in your tour package.

Advanced e-Bike

For those seeking even greater performance, we offer an upgraded e-bike option tailored to your preferences:

Scott Solace Carbon Performance E-Gravel → SRAM Rival XPLR eTap AXS Disc 12-Speed, TQ Mid Motor Drive with 300W Battery

This high-performance bike is designed for those who want to push their limits and enjoy a premium riding experience. A small additional fee applies for this upgrade.







BICYCLE POLICIES: Muscolar Bike

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Standard Muscolar Bike (included in the tour price)

For those who love the pure joy of pedaling, we offer high-quality muscular bikes prepared just for you. Travel light and extend your adventure—your bike will be ready and waiting at your hotel upon arrival.

Bianchi Arcadex Carbon Gravel → Shimano GRX Disc 11-Speed

Each bike is prepared for you, the rental costs are included in your tour package.

Advanced Muscolar Bike

For cyclists seeking superior performance, we offer an upgraded option tailored to your preferences:

Scott Addict Carbon Performance Gravel → SRAM Rival AXS Disc 24-Speed, Syncros Capital X40 Carbon Wheelset

This high-performance bike is designed for those who want to push their limits and enjoy a premium riding experience. A small additional fee applies for this upgrade.





BICYCLE POLICIES: Your beloved bike & Your dreams bike

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Bring Your Beloved Bicycle to Italy

Fly to Italy with your cherished bicycle by your side—no extra hassle! At Hirides.com, we'll reimburse all your bicycle transport costs, making your journey as smooth as your ride.

Your Dream Bicycle

Have you always imagined exploring breathtaking landscapes on your dream bike? Let it come true.

Together, we will create a meticulously prepared bike, perfectly tailored to your desires, ready for you upon your arrival in Italy.

Your journey begins here: make it extraordinary.

We can prepare the following bikes: Colnago, Trek, Specialized, Wilier







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