

GBI Deutschland – Germanys beautiful center



This time we are focusing on the center of Germany. From Erfurt we start to a four-day round trip through the most beautiful areas of Thuringia. Visit the defiant castles and medieval cities, pedal relaxed along the rivers and conquer the Thuringian Forest heights. And don't forget to enjoy the culinary highlights of this region.

The Global Biking Initiative (GBI) wants to show you the most interesting places in Europe the sportive way. We are proud of our international participants that make it easy for everybody to make new friends from other countries. Our main goal is the continuous support of charity projects worldwide. We achieve this by engaging the participants to raise funds that support charity projects in their home countries.

Tour highlights

- ✓ Discover old and new sites in Erfurt
- ✓ Visit the house of Goethe in Weimar
- ✓ Pedal relaxed at the rivers Werra & Unstrut
- ✓ Enjoy the Thuringian cuisine
- ✓ Stroll on the traces of Martin Luther at the Wartburg
- ✓ Climb the Thuringian Forest summits

At a glance

Date: August 6 – 9, 2021
 Duration: 4 days / 3 nights (4 cycling days)
 Event type: guided charity cycling holiday
 Participants : min. 15, max. 25 cyclists
 Distance: approx. 420 km (track 1) / 550 km (track 2)
 Participation fee: from 389,- €
 Single bedroom supplement: 80,- €
 Pre-Night: from 89,- €
 Bike transport: 50,- €
 Rental bikes: MTB 69,- €, roadbike 129,- €
 Minimum donation: 50,- €

Details & online registration: www.gbi-event.org

Services

- ✓ Accommodation in hand-picked hotels with breakfast
- ✓ 2 x dinner, incl. Lutherschmaus (dinner with entertainment) in Eisenach
- ✓ Luggage transport from hotel to hotel
- ✓ Service car with bike repair toolset
- ✓ Pickup service
- ✓ Fast and easy online registration on our website
- ✓ Several cycling teams with different speed levels (min. 2 teams)
- ✓ Any kind of bicycle welcome (Roadbike, MTB, ATB, Pedelec, etc.)
- ✓ 2 different distances per day possible
- ✓ Team leads with GPS navigation
- ✓ GPX tracks for download
- ✓ Route information and daily news
- ✓ Personal support during the tour
- ✓ Nutrition point with energy bars, fruits and drinks every day
- ✓ GBI bike bottle
- ✓ Online photo service
- ✓ International participants
- ✓ Support of charity projects worldwide
- ✓ A lot of fun, unforgettable moments, great international and cross-cultural companionship, challenging moments and radiant eyes

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Day 1: Erfurt – Nebra

After the official welcoming we start from our tour hotel in Erfurt to this cycling tour. Soon we reach Weimar, the city of Germanys famous poets Goethe and Schiller. We follow the rivers Ilm & Saale to Naumburg with its famous cathedral. Here we meet the Unstrut cycling path, that will bring us to the wine city of Freyburg and finally to our destination in Nebra.



Day 2: Nebra – Mühlhausen

Our route follows the river Unstrut mainly flat. Not far from Nebra we pass nearby the findspot of the famous Nebra sky disc and we visit the ancient Memleben monastery. At Heldrungen we can see the Kyffhäuser mountains in a distance. With a quite challenging detour the mountain and Emperor Wilhelm monument can be visited. After cycling through Porta Thuringia, we leave

Route characteristics

This tour has flat and hilly sections. In particular track 2 will follow several challenging routes e.g. in the Thuringian Forest.

If possible the routes follow minor roads and cycling paths. Unavoidable sections on major roads are reduced to the absolute minimum. In any case it is recommended to use cycling paths along the streets where available.

the river Unstrut and at the latest at Wasserthaleben we observe a more and more hilly topography. We are heading towards Mühlhausen with its medieval old town and city walls, that is close to the geographical center of Germany

Day 3: Mühlhausen – Eisenach

Today we follow the Unstrut for a while to Dingelstädt, then turn onto the Kanonenbahn cycle path. At Treffurt we follow the most beautiful part of the Werra river via Creuzburt to Hörschel. From here it is not far to our destination in Eisenach, where you can detour to the UNESCO world heritage Wartburg castle.

Day 4: Eisenach – Erfurt

Today we cycle half of the day along the northern foothills of the Thuringian Forest. Track 2 can expect some challenging climbs in this low mountain landscape. Later we turn to the north and reach again Erfurt.



We cycle for charity

Each participant commits to raise a **minimum donation of € 50** to support a charity project in his or her home country. More information to the fund raising can be requested from the Country Champion of your country (www.gbi-event.org -> About us).

Travel advice

Plane: the next airport is Leipzig

Train/bus: to Erfurt main station

Car: Individual arrival to the hotel/start location

It is possible to park your car at the GBI hotel parking (with costs, limited space)