

GBI Europe – From Copenhagen to Berlin



This unique cycling tour with several hundred participants from all over the world takes us finally back to Scandinavia. From the Danish capital we pedal through the Swedish region of Skane and we cross the Baltic Sea. After a short detour in Poland, our route leads through northern Germany and to the metropolitan region of Berlin, where we celebrate the end of the tour.

On this tour we offer a wide range of services in order to offer the participants a very special experience. Even unexperienced cyclists will be able to cycle the routes in a team. And if a stage cannot be completed, our pick-up team is ready to take you to your destination for the day in a relaxed manner.

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 the Danish capital and world-capital of cycling
- ✓ Enjoy Scandinavian hospitality
- ✓ Sleep on a ferry on the Baltic Sea
- ✓ Cross the country of thousand lakes
- ✓ Get fascinated by ancient GDR relicts and modern contemporary witnesses
- ✓ Visit the recreational area of ‚Tropical Islands‘
- ✓ Make new friends with many like-minded people

At a glance

Date: 12. – 18. June 2022

Duration: 7 days / 6 nights (7 cycling days)

Event type: guided charity cycling holiday

Participants: max. 300 cyclists

Distance: approx. 700 km (track 1) / approx. 850 km (track 2)

Several optional accommodation packages, bus transport, bike transport, pre-nights, etc. available

Minimum donation: depending on your home country

Online registration (1. Jan. - 31. March 2022) on

www.gbi-europe.org

Included Services

- ✓ Quick and easy online registration
- ✓ Luggage transport each day
- ✓ Ferries (night ferry only incl. with GBI accommodation package)
- ✓ Service busses along the route for pick-up service
- ✓ Several fast, intermediate & leisure speed groups to suit all abilities & preferences
- ✓ 2 different stage distances each day available
- ✓ Experienced team leaders with GPS devices
- ✓ All kinds of bicycles are welcome (roadbike, MTB, touringbike, pedelecs, etc.)
- ✓ GPX tracks of all days for download
- ✓ Official tour jersey & GBI bike bottle
- ✓ Online media service
- ✓ Route information and daily news
- ✓ Nutrition points on each stage (with energy drinks, bars and fruits)
- ✓ Refreshments at the GBI Camp
- ✓ Technical bike support on all stages
- ✓ Medical support with mobile paramedics
- ✓ Secured bike park
- ✓ Opening ceremony
- ✓ Closing event with music, refreshments & donation cheque handover
- ✓ A lot of fun, unforgettable moments, great international and cross-cultural companionship, challenging moments and radiant eyes

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Tour description

Day 1: Copenhagen (DK) - Elsinore (DK)

We start cycling through the Danish capital on almost perfectly maintained bicycle infrastructure. Photo stops at the numerous sights and the city's landmark, the Little Mermaid, are a must and can be scheduled easily as the day's distance is quite unchallenging.

Day 2: Helsingör (DK) - Höör (S)

Shortly after the start of the stage, a ferry takes us across the Öresund to Sweden. From here we pedal into the Swedish hinterland of the Skane region. Our destination for the day in Höör is located close to an idyllic lake.

Day 3: Höör (S) - Ystad (S)

Today we cycle through southern Sweden towards the port city of Ystad. In the evening we board onto the night ferry to Swinoujście in Poland, on which we spend the night together on the Baltic Sea.

Day 4: Swinoujście (PL) - Neubrandenburg (D)

In the early morning the ferry arrives at the port city on the Szczecin Lagoon. After a short detour through the Polish border area, we reach the island of Usedom in Germany. Our way to Neubrandenburg leads through the wonderful landscape of Western Pomerania.

Route characteristics & topography

We mainly cycle on well-maintained bike paths and minor streets. If unavoidable, we may cycle partially on sections of the route along main roads with heavy traffic. In Mecklenburg and Brandenburg in particular, the route may follow some short cobblestone areas.

The entire route is very flat and there are no real hills to cycle. However, especially near the coast, a steady and sometimes quite fresh wind must be expected.

We cycle for charity

Every participant commits to raise a donation for a charity project in his home country. The minimum donation depends on your country and varies between 150 – 250 €. For more details please contact your local country champion (www.gbi-event.org -> About us).



Day 5: Neubrandenburg (D) - Eberswalde (D)

After seeing a lot of sea water on the first days of the tour, the following days we travel through areas with countless small and large lakes. Today's destination in Brandenburg is also located on a lake.

Day 6: Eberswalde (D) - Storkow (D)

East of Berlin and not far from the border to Poland, this stage takes us to the destination of the day at another small lake.

Day 7: Storkow (D) - Tropical Islands (D)

The last, relatively short stage ends at Tropical Islands south of Berlin. Before that, all participants gather to cycle the last few kilometers to the destination accompanied with music and marshalled by police.

Travel information

Plane: International airport Copenhagen, very close to tour start location

Train & bus: good connections from Germany to Copenhagen

GBI bus: optional bus service from Düsseldorf to the tour start location the day prior to tour start, return bus from the tour finish to Düsseldorf after the tour closure