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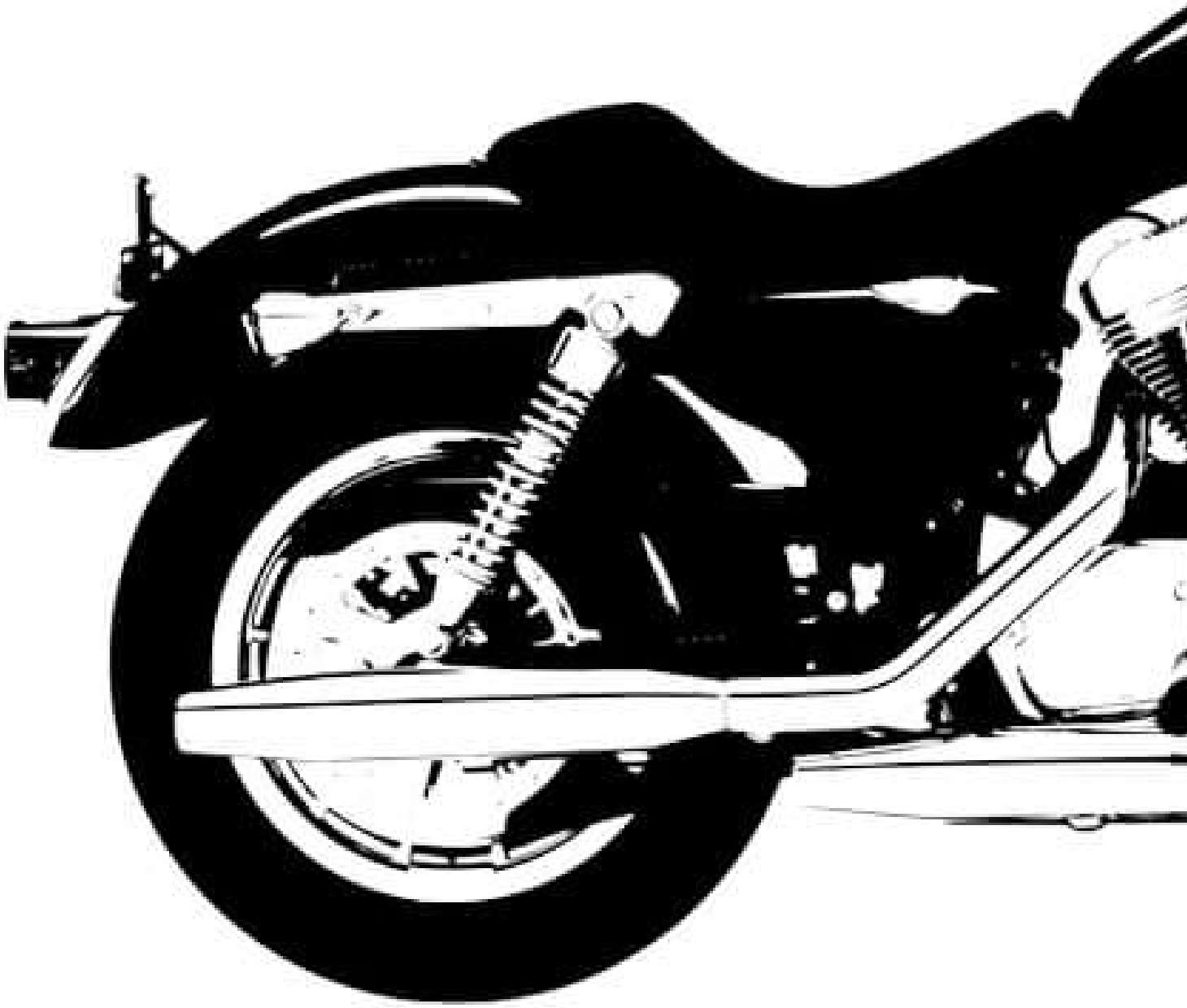

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Duration	Difficulty	Support vehicle
11 días	Easy	
Language	**Guide**	
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Life moves at a different pace here. Explore Hiiumaa, Saaremaa and the western reaches of Estonia with this 10 day self guided tour. Sights include Sääre tirp (the mythical bridge to Saaremaa), Angla windmills, Kaali meteorite crater, Haapsalu, Kärdla, Kuressaare and Estonia's summer capital Pärnu. Quiet and flat roads.

This tour can be modified according to your needs - some days can be cut into half, you can have rest days in between or stay more than one night in some places. Just let us know how many days you have and how much you would like to cycle per day and we will come out with an itinerary for your needs.

HIGHLIGHT

The impressive landscape, huge coniferous and beech forests.

The wonderful old town of Tallinn.

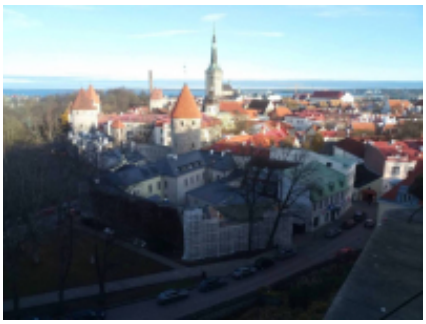
The magnificent islands of Saarema and Hiiumaa.

The cities of Haapsalu and Pärnú, two pearls of the Baltic.

Route without technical difficulties (a hybrid or mountain bike is supplied) and in remarkably flat territory.







1 - Tallinn - Tallinn -
Arrival at Tallinn airport. It is easy to get to the city center: by taxi it costs around €15, by Uber around €6 and by bus (line 2) or by tram (line 4) around €2. Once at the Hotel, it is well worth visiting the old town of Tallinn. It is a wonder!



2 - Tallinn - Padise - 65
After breakfast, you have to go to the old town of Tallinn, where the bike is delivered. After the corresponding settings, the adventure begins! The tour follows the Northen coast of Estonia. Cliffs are followed by sandy beaches. After some up's and down's you will get to Türisalu cliff. Enjoy the view to to the Island of Naissaar and Vääna-Jõesuu. Take a break to enjoy Keila-Joa waterfall, the third most powerful waterfall in Estonia. Enjoy dinner in beautiful Padise Manor, located next to the mystic ruins of Padise Monastery. Accommodation in hotel.



3 - Padise - Haapsalu - 55
This day is just riding day. Enjoy Estonian diverse nature: the route goes through forests and fields, you will pass some bogs. For such a small country, the diversity of Estonia's landscapes is unique in Europe. Day's highlight is Haapsalu – a charming seaside resort famous for its range of spa hotels and fine beach. The old town is popular too and Haapsalu Castle, haunted by a white lady, hosts many events including various music festivals. Accommodation is in small hotel.



4 - Haapsalu - Kardla - 38
This day the tour takes you to the second largest island in Estonia – Hiiumaa. Formed as a result of a meteorite explosion Hiiumaa is one of the oldest islands in the world. Hiiumaa is known for its lighthouses, unspoilt nature, Kassari and the sense of humour of its inhabitants. After about 1.5 hrs on ferry, the route takes you to Hiiumaa's capital Kärdla, known of it's cozy islander atmosphere. Accommodation is in very small guesthouse.



5 - Kardla - Saaremaa - 58
From Kärdla, route takes you to the South-Hiiumaa and first to Kassari island. On your way is Vaemla Wool Factory, where the yarn is made using authentic machineries from last century. Visit romantic Kassari chapel and take a walk (gnarled junipers all around) to well known Sääre tirp peninsula. In the evening ferry takes you to the largest island in Estonia – Saaremaa. Overnight is in romantic guesthouse. If you love nature, beach and sea, this is the place where to spend more than one night.



6 - Saaremaa - Kuressaare - 51
Windmills are considered to be the symbol of Saaremaa. On that day road takes you to Angla Windmill Mount, where you can see the windmills characteristic of the island of Saaremaa, watch a miller at work and taste homemade bread. Make a stop in Kaali field of meteorite craters -the rarest nature wonder in Estonia, being at the same time the most spectacular in Eurasia. Your destination – Kuressaare, is small and charming summer resort known for its medieval castle. Accommodation is in small hotel next to the castle, sea and beach.



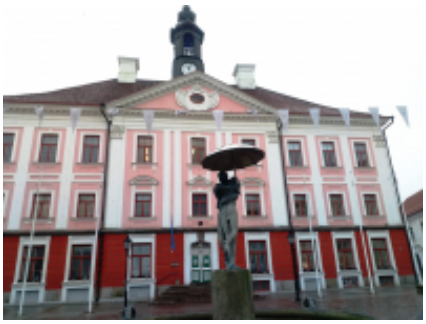
7 - Kuressaare - Koguva - 78
This day road takes you to Muhu island. Muhu is the place where time rests – authentic sleepy fishing villages, working windmills, thatched cottages. Make a stop to look at some rare animals – emus, nandus and Kangaroos in Nautse. The day's highlight is authentic Koguva village and museum - the best preserved 19th century village in Estonia, where all of the buildings are architectural landmarks. Overnight is in authentic tourism farm.



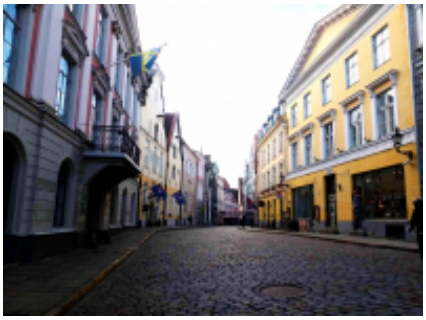
8 - Koguva - Varbla - 51
From Koguva road takes you through Muhu island. Make a stop in Liiva to visit beautiful, early Gothic style Muhu St Catherine's Church. Make a little detour to visit the luxurious Pädaste Manor. Ferry takes you back to mainland. Follow the cycle route 1 to the seaside to Varbla. Accommodation is in guesthouse next to the sea.



9 - Varbla - Pärnu - 70
Quiet road goes through some very small villages and turns to seaside. Enjoy break in Valgeranna beach and continue to Estonia's summer capital Pärnu. Pärnu is famous for it's beach life and made it's way to the list of Russian imperial resorts already in 1890. Long, white sandy beaches, shallow waters and "the best Sun in Estonia" attract Estonians and visiting guests alike. Make a walk on beautiful beach promenade, visit the old town, take a cup of coffe in Ammende Villa and just enjoy the atmosphere. Overnight in hotel, just next to the river, short ride from beach.



10 - Pärnu - Tallinn -
After breakfast at the Pärnu Yacht Club Pension, we will leave the bikes at the hotel and with our luggage (which has been transferred from hotel to hotel) we will take a public bus (€12) to go back to Tallinn. Back in the capital (and after leaving the luggage at the hotel), the afternoon is used to finish visiting the magnificent city.



11 - Tallinn - Tallinn -
After breakfast at the Hotel, there are several options to get to the airport.

Bicycle



My own bicycle
+ $0.00



Crossway 20 Lady
+ $18.44



Crossway 20 Man
+ $18.44



Touring Hybrid 500 Easy Entry
+ $34.57



Touring Hybrid 500 Easy
+ $34.57



Touring Hybrid 500 One
+ $34.57

Dates & prices

Options

Alquiler de par de alforjas Ortieb para 9 días de ruta
$28.81

Alquiler de bolsa de manillar impermeable Ortieb para 9 días de ruta
$17.28

Transporte de equipage diario durante la ruta en bicicleta (precio por persona)
$316.87

Included

Basic insurance

Breakfast

Hotel

Maps & Roadbook

Not included

Guide	Support vehicle
Alcoholic beverages	Damage deposit
Dinner	Enduro body protection kit
Extreme cold protection kit	Ferrys
Flights	Local taxes
Lunch	Mechanic
Bicycle rental	Bicycle return to origin
National parks tickets	Non-Alcoholic beverages water-coffee
On route snacks	Parking
Petrol & oil	Photo-video souvenir
Spare bicycle	Tips
Transfers	Visas

Other information

1.- The return from Pärnu to Tallinn by regular bus (approximately €12) is not included.
2.- The ferries in Estonia (not included) have very cheap prices: between €3 and €4/person and between €2 and €3/bike. In total 3 ferries are taken.
3.- The entire route runs along bike lanes, roads in very good condition and small local roads.
4.- The bicycle route (day 2 of the program, since day 1 is the day of arrival) can start on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.
5.- Thanks to the tranquility and patience of Estonian drivers and the low population density of the country, there are few accidents with cyclists.
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Important notice, in case of cancellation:
The flight tickets, supplements and optional services subscribed in this tour regardless of the basic program, are subject to 100% of early cancellation costs.