



## Tour description

### Best of Pyrenees & Auvergne



9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS  
1790 KM



MAY TO OCTOBER



FRANCE  
BASQUE-COUNTRY

*The French Ride*  
MOTORCYCLE TOURS



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*"A motorcycle journey is a return to the essentials"*



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From the Massif Central to the Atlantic Ocean, set off on this thrilling motorcycle tour in the Pyrenees & Auvergne to discover not only the magnificent France but also the Basque Country's breathtaking landscapes! Enjoy the ride from the green Volcanoes of Auvergne to the high summits of the Pyrenees. On your way, ride the mythical passes of the Tour de France, visit the most beautiful villages in the Basque Country and the stunning fortified hilltop town of Carcassonne. From the Auvergnate cuisine to the Basque tapas and from the South West specialities to the Mediterranean cuisine, these diverse regions will bring you an ocean of flavours...



## Highlights

**Pyrenees - Volcanoes of Auvergne Regional Park (UNESCO)**  
**Legendary passes of the Tour de France - Biarritz - Rocamadour**  
**Landes forest - Basque Country - Carcassonne (UNESCO)**  
**Southwest, Auvergnate, Spanish & Mediterranean Cuisine**

# Itinerary

## DAY 1 : ARRIVAL IN CLERMONT-FERRAND



### Transfers, meet & greet, relax, visit and briefing

Wash away some jetlag in the peaceful atmosphere of the Volcanoes of Auvergne Natural Park. By the end of the day, enjoy your first evening filled with familiarizing yourself with the excitement of what lays ahead whilst enjoying a taste of the Auvergnate Cuisine...

## DAY 2 : CLERMONT-FERRAND → ROCAMADOUR



**260 km / 5h**

Stunning ride across the Auvergne volcanoes sleeping for more than a million years. Cross the Pas de Peyrol with its breathtaking panoramas. Take a break in the little streets of Salers, ranked as one of the most beautiful villages in France. End up this superb day with a South-West speciality dish and a regional glass of wine in the picturesque medieval village of Rocamadour, hanging from a rock above the Alzou Canyon...

## DAY 3 : ROCAMADOUR → BIARRITZ



**360 km / 5h15**

Cross the Causses du Quercy towards the gigantic Landes forest and its huge straight lines that will rapidly lead you into the Basque Country with its green landscapes and jagged coastline carved by the powerful waves of the Atlantic Ocean. Enjoy the French "Art de Vivre" (art of living) in Biarritz, the Pearl of the Basque Coast...

## DAY 4 : BIARRITZ → GOURETTE



**210 km / 4h30**

Great start of the day through the Basque Country. The typical villages of Ainhoa, Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port & Espelette are worth a stop! Keep riding through the preserved landscapes of the Pyrenees and its deserted roads, summits and valleys. Overnight in the heart of the Pyrenees National Park...

## DAY 5 : GOURETTE → OUST



**240 km / 5h30**

Stunning motorcycle ride on the legendary roads of the Tour de France through the highest passes of the Pyrenees! Overnight in the heart of the mountains...

## DAY 6 : OUST → CARCASSONNE



**230 km / 5h**

Another series of high mountain passes leads you to the stunning Old-City of Carcassonne. This UNESCO World Heritage site is one of the largest surviving medieval walled cities in Europe. Enjoy a cold beer and a delicious dinner inside the 3 km of defensive ramparts...

## DAY 7 : CARCASSONNE → CANYON OF BOZOULS



**240 km / 5h**

Your motorcycle day starts with a stunning ride up the Pic de Nore and its breathtaking 360-degree panorama. Keep riding on the deserted back roads of Southern France through the Haut-Languedoc Natural Park and the Lacaune Mountains. In the evening, visit the surprising village of Bozouls located on the edge of a horseshoe-shaped canyon cliff. Also called "Trou de Bozouls" this natural canyon is 400 meters across and more than 100 meters deep...

## DAY 8 : CANYON OF BOZOULS → CLERMONT-FERRAND



**250 km / 5h**

Great start of the day through the wild landscapes of the Aubrac plateau... Ride the Volcanoes of Auvergne Natural Park from South to North on a series of stunning passes. Your breathtaking motorcycle journey ends at the foot of the Puy de Dôme... WHAT A RIDE!!

## DAY 9 : DEPARTURE FROM CLERMONT-FERRAND



**Breakfast and transfers**

All good things must come to an end...  
See you next time!

*The daily riding kilometres are approximate distances and may vary. Route and overnight places may change due to unforeseen events. The first and last days are the arrival and departure days; there is no riding on these days.*

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