

The Great Mountain Bike Crossing of the Jura From Montbéliard to La Pesse

6 days - 5 nights including 6 days of mountain biking, Comfortable accommodation in a double bedroom

Level: 2/5



Straddling France and Switzerland, the Jura Massif offers one of the most beautiful mountain biking routes. Let yourself be tempted by an unforgettable journey, enjoy landscapes composed of deep gorges, forests that could be straight out of Canada and magnificent green open spaces. With high plateaus that stretch from the Cluse de Santa to the Plateau du Retords. Between Montbéliard and La Pesse, you enjoy around 289km of routes, and, from the Crêts en Val, between 300 and 1500m of altitude.

With accommodation every night in hotels, or comfortable and friendly B&Bs, you will have the opportunity to taste local products, such as wine and cheese, coming from a long tradition of local dairy farming, and, in particular, Montbéliard cows.

Strengths

- A north to south crossing of the Jura on routes which are perfect for mountain biking.
- Enjoy the most magnificent forests and rivers of the Jura Massif.
- Visit places known by all cyclists, such as Métabief and Prémanon

SCHEDULE

Day 1 : From Montbéliard to St-Hippolyte : 45 km - Elevation: + 1040 m - 980 m

Departing from Montbéliard, follow the Allan, along roads and countryside tracks to reach Mandeuve. During this first stage, from Montbéliard to Pont-de-Roide, you enjoy tracks and paths along the banks of the River Doubs. From Pont-de-Roide to St-Hippolyte, a slightly more challenging route, with beautiful paths through the forests and across fields.

Night in a hotel in a double bedroom, on a half-board basis.

Hotel

Day 2 : From St-Hippolyte to Fournet-Blancheroche : 48 km - Elevation: + 1480 m - 1000 m

Today you will meet the River Doubs and Switzerland. Setting off from St-Hippolyte, you pass through Fessevillers, the gateway to the Gorges du Doubs. You will also cross the village of Gaumois, a local Mecca for trout fishing. A pretty stage along the River Doubs, between France and Switzerland, offering you beautiful landscapes.

Night in a hotel or B&B on a half-board basis.

48km Alt: +1480m – 1000m with a shortcut of 35km Alt: +1060m – 500m

Bed & Breakfast

Day 3 : From Fournet-Blancheroche to Pontarlier (ou La Perdrix) : 51 km - Elevation: + 1000 m - 1060 m

Another beautiful stage, continuing along the River Doubs and passing by the waterfall of the same name, where the meanders of the river offer you the welcome chance to slow down. Along the way, you will pass over more than 18 barriers, without getting off your bike. Swing by Morteau, home to the famous smoked sausage. A solid and pleasingly quick stage. You arrive in the land of absinthe, on the plateaus above Pontarlier.

Night in a hotel or hostel in a double bedroom and on a half-board basis.

Auberge

Day 4 : From Pontarlier (ou La Perdrix) to Mouthe : 54 km - Elevation: + 1170 m - 1200 m

Under the gaze of the Château de Joux, guardian of the Doubs Valley, you cross the République de Saugeais with its frontier monitored by a border guard.

Halfway through the day, you arrive at Métabief, mountain biking hotspot since 1993, where you can experience the descent of Mont D'or (optional). At the end of the day, a bucolic arrival at the source of the River Doubs.

Night in a hotel in a double room, on a half-board basis.

Hotel

Day 5 : From Mouthe to Rousses : 44 km - Elevation: + 890 m - 700 m

Pass through the heart of the Upper Doubs, via a rolling route where you overlook the Lac de Bellefontaine, a Natura 2000 classified site, the most protected wetland in Franche-Comté. You can also take a moment to admire the magic of the arctic vegetation. Next, cross the large Risoux Forest to reach Rousses.

Night in a hotel in a double bedroom on a half-board basis.

Hotel

Day 6 : From Rousses to La Pesse : 43 km - Elevation: + 990 m - 930 m

After admiring the Fort of Rousses, built in the 19th Century, a remnant of the battle between the Napoléonic and Austrian armies, you then have the opportunity to visit the area's high coombs, forest meadows and sumptuous woods, with technical and playful tracks. Arrive by mountain bike in La Pesse, and the end of the trip.

TRAVEL CONDITIONS

Formalities :

- A valid official ID
- We recommend travel insurance with repatriation included

Difficulty level :

Physical level: 2/3

You have a good physical condition and regularly practice mountain biking. From 25 to 51 km per day with maximum positive gradients of 1490 m.

Technical level: 2/3

You master well the braking in descent and the trajectory of the bike. You will ride on paths or paths sometimes rolling, sometimes technical (steeper, with small obstacles).

Accommodation :

Double room formula: you sleep in comfortable rooms for 2 people in hotels or guest rooms selected. Bed linen and towels are provided.

A bathroom and toilet are reserved for you in the vast majority of cases.

Accompanying :

SUPERVISION: 4 formulas to choose from:

Mountain bike in freedom with carrying luggage by taxi: From 2 people.

Equipped with guidance material that we give you: detailed topo-guide GTJ, GPS tracks.

You go alone to discover circuits designed by our team. The use of GPS is essential for a fluid and pleasant orientation.

Possibility to rent it in LaRébenne depending on availability: 40 €

Free ATV with assistance vehicle: From 6 people.

The assistance vehicle joins you at different times during the day's stage, and transports your picnic, water, extra clothes and a complete toolbox in case of mechanical problems. Enjoy your day with a light bag. The driver of the vehicle also gives you advice for each step, helps you manage your effort, and can most of the time answer your questions about the region visited.

Mountain bike with certified instructor with luggage carrying taxi: From 6 people.

Accompanied by a professional mountain bike certificate, you ride without worrying about the route to follow. Our instructor, specialist of the region, guides you and gives you, if you wish, the right advice to make you outstanding mountain bikers. Thanks to his knowledge of the route, he adapts to your group to manage schedules and effort throughout the day. Freed from group management, your only concern is to please you on your mountain bike.

ATV with state certified instructor and assistance vehicle: From 8 people.

Attendees :

From 2 people.

DEPARTURE AND MEETING POINT :

Departure from Montbéliard (25)

How to get there:

By car: highway A36.

By train: Montbéliard train station.

By plane: Mulhouse Basel airport then train to Montbéliard.

Food :

No question of dieting during your stay but it is rather an opportunity to taste the local cuisine. We attach great importance to the quality of food: dietary balance, energy intake and specialty of the country are the ingredients of each meal.
Picnics (lunch) are not included.

Luggage :

You only carry the business of the day and the picnic. Luggage is carried by vehicle (or assistance vehicle). 1 piece/person and limited to 15kg/piece.

Options :

- Transfer back by private minibus to Montbéliard,
- Custom program from the steps you choose yourself,
- Additional accommodation before or after the stay,
- Single room supplement.

RATES

Freedom package - hotel	
Registration for 2 people	990€
Registration for 3 people	940€
Registration for 4 people	880€
Registration for 6 people	780€

Package with assistance vehicle and luggage storage - hotel	
Registration for 6 people	1260€
Registration for 8 people	1160€

Formula with qualified instructor - hotel double room	
Registration for 6 people	1180€
Registration for 8 people	1060€

Formula with state-certified instructor and assistance vehicle - double room	
Registration for 8 people	1395€

The price includes :

- Reservation of accommodation,
- The card holder,
- The detailed guidebook of the GTJ VTT,
- GPS electronic tracks (in .gpx format),
- Half board from dinner on day 1 to breakfast on day 6,
- Daily luggage transport,
- Transfer from La Pesse to Bourg en Bresse train station,
- For the formula with assistance vehicle: 1 vehicle 9 places follows the group throughout the stay.
- For the formula with guide: no more orientation, the state-certified guide takes care of everything during the entire stay.

The price does not include :

- accommodation the day before departure,
- Beverages,
- Picnics,
- Personal expenses,
- Personal ATV equipment (helmets, gloves),
- ATVs,
- GPS and GPS holder,
- Transportation to the meeting point,
- The train ticket from Bourg en Bresse,
- Insurance.

GENERAL INFORMATION

How to subscribe ? :

No, no automatic forms!

At LaRébenne, we prefer to keep in touch with our travelers. We like to talk to you about our travels, and we want to maintain this relationship with you. Exchange, sharing and pleasure remain our ambition for LaRébenne travels.

Don't hesitate to contact us directly to talk about hiking or biking.

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Registration, deposit and validation

Once you've chosen your trip, it's quick and easy to register!

* Either go directly to your tour's page on our website and click on registration.

* Or we can work with you to create a tailor-made tour, and send you a personalized link to your registration form.

The registration is effective when we receive your registration form with your acceptance of the general terms and conditions of sale, accompanied by the deposit of 30% of the tour price. You will then receive an acknowledgement of receipt of your registration.

100% secure payment

You can pay by credit card (faster) or bank transfer.



Payment of balance

The balance must be paid one month before the departure date. You will find your invoice on your My LaRébenne space, as well as a payment link to the balance of your stay.

Invitation to depart

On receipt of payment of the balance, your travel diary will be available in your customer area on My LaRébenne, where you will find all the information you need for your trip, as well as your invoice.

Insurance :

In accordance with regulations, each participant in a LaRébenne trip must hold individual civil liability as well as individual multi-risk cover to protect themselves against incidents or accidents that may occur before or during the tour or bike trip.

Assistance mainly covers search and rescue, repatriation and medical expenses. It comes into play as soon as a medical report makes it possible to decide on repatriation. Repatriation, known as "premature return", can also be arranged for reasons other than the insured's own, such as the death of a family member (see cases in the insurance booklet). Beforehand, in regions far from medical facilities and difficult to access, you must agree to the organization of first aid using local resources (4X4, porters, horses, etc.).

This contract also covers loss, theft or delayed delivery of baggage, as well as interruption of stay.

The insurance protects against the financial risk of cancellation. It is very important to have this type of insurance in case of cancellation due to a health problem or for professional reasons.

We suggest you take out one of the three policies we have selected, bearing in mind that we only act as an intermediary

between you and the insurer. Any additional insurance is invoiced per person and must be taken out on the day of booking:

- "Multirisque" contract (4.5%), minimum premium 15 euros:
Repatriation assistance + tour interruption + luggage + cancellation.

[See the complete contract](#)

- "Cancellation" contract (2.5%), minimum premium 10 euros:
Cancellation only.

[See the complete contract](#)

- "Repatriation assistance" contract (1.6%), minimum premium of 10 euros:
Repatriation assistance + tour interruption + luggage.

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As far as "civil liability abroad" is concerned, only French residents are covered.

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