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Cycle Route / Fietsroute:
Klausen – Dolomites Region
Seiser Alm/Alpe di Siusi

Cycle Route variant / Fietsroute:
Montiglier See lake
Montiglier meren-fietsroute

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Cycle Route / Fietsroute:
Fleimstalbahn

Bremer/Brennero – Brixen/Bressanone

Cycle Route / Fietsroute

If the cultural bug has bitten, then you might as well stop at the artist's town of Klausen/Chiusa. The cycle route leads right to the old town centre, with its Municipal Museum. Before resuming your ride through the Eisacktal valley, try a glass of the excellent local white wine. Despite its proximity to the highway, the last leg of the route to the provincial capital is surprisingly calm. Before reaching Bolzano, as the valley gets narrower, the cycling route passes through a series of disused railroad tunnels – enriching the overall experience.

★ Walk to the imposing Säben Monastery, the short 'Chestnut Trail' detour leads to the villages of Pardell/Pradello and Feldeithurns/Velturino. If you happen to be in Klausen in autumn, this ride through mixed golden forests offers something extra. It's the 'Törggelen' harvest season, so you can stop at a traditional tavern for a glass of the new wine and chestnuts!

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★ From Brixen, take the cable car up the Plose mountain to one of the MTB trails on top. Or leave your bike behind and go hiking.

Vanuit het noorden van de regio, langs de spoorlijn, daalt de route lichtjes naar Sterzing/Vipiteno. Bijzonder spannend is het slingerende, dalende gedeelte voor Gossensass/Coll/Isarco. Gedeeltelijk vlakke en licht stijgende delen voeren je door dorpen en gehuchten aan de imposante vesting Franzensfeste. Het is de moeite waard om hier een omweg te maken naar de expositierruimtes van de vesting. Deze werd gebouwd als fort in geval van oorlog, maar werd nooit als zodanig gebruikt. Het fietspad leidt vervolgens langs de Vahrner See en daarna fiets je naar de middeleuuwse bisschoppstad Brixen/Bressanone. Daar kun je bij een glas witte Eisacktal-wijn je feesttocht nog eens nabespreken, onder de arcaden slenteren, een culturele ontdekkingstrail maken en, als je daar genoeg van hebt, weer snel terugkeren naar de natuur.

★ Als je op je bestemming nog verder omhoog wilt, neem dan de gondelbaan naar de Plose en fiets op een MTB-trail of volg een van de vele wandelroutes.

Als je na de vorige etappe cultuurkriebels hebt gekregen, bekijk dan de kunstenaarsstad Klausen eens van dichtbij. Met de fiets kom je direct in het historisch centrum en bij het stadsmuseum Klausen. Neem voordat je verder gaat een moment om te genieten van een glas Eisacktaler witte wijn. Dan fiets je door het smaller wordende dal langs de Eisack naar de provinciehoofdstad. Dit laatste stuk is erg rustig en ondanks de nabijheid van de snelweg, nauw verbonden met de natuur. Voordat je Bolzano bereikt, kom je door enkele spectaculaire tunnels waar ooit de trein doorheen reed.

★ Een van de etappes van de 'Keschtnweg' gaat van het centrum van Klausen via klooster Säben en Pardell/Pradello naar Feldeithurns/Velturino. Vooral in de herfst is deze route door de goudkleurige mengende bossen en langs kastanjebossen een lust voor het oog – en stop vooral bij een van de buschschänke om te 'törggelen'.

★ **Voor Bolzano en omgeving:** De kabelbaan van Ritten/Renon brengt je vanuit Bolzano rechtstreeks naar een bergpunt met een geweldig uitzicht. Hier kun je naar de 'aardpiramides' wandelen. De oudste personenkabelfaat ter wereld brengt je naar de 1.100 m hoge Kohlerer Berg met talrijke wandelmogelijkheden.

★ **Voor het Uнтерland:** Ben je gefascineerd door bedevaartsplaatsen? Dan is de Maria Weissenstein echt iets voor jou – te voet bereikbaar vanuit Leifers/Laives. Vanuit Margreid/Magré kun je naar de Fennbergsee wandelen.

The temperatures in this area of South Tyrol are optimal for cycling at all seasons. Not by chance, it was here that the first route in the valley was created. Cypress trees and fig trees tell you that you are heading further south. The cycle path is on flat terrain and leads you past historical sites unique to this area. In Neumarkt/Egna, at the foot of Castelfeder - an enchanting place - it plunges into a thriving trading post of the Middle Ages. Through mixed forests, apple orchards and wine fields, it takes you to wineries and Auer/Ora, where you can lightly touch its vineyards and stroll down its narrow streets. And you end up directly at the national and linguistic border with neighboring Trentino in Salurno, the last South Tyrolean village, where the cycle path crosses into Trentino and the Italian intertwines with the South Tyrolean dialect.

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In a mixed forest not far from the provincial capital of Bolzano lie the two spectacular Montiglier Seen natural swimming lakes. The tarred cycle track along the Etsch river takes you from Bolzano/Bozen to Frangart/Frangarto, where the road winds gently uphill through the vineyards and fruit orchards. After about 20 kilometres you will reach the shore of the lake. In hot weather, its sparkling waters help you cool down. Afterwards, enjoy a glass of fine local wine, caressed by the gentle Mediterranean breeze.

★ With the lakes open year-round, bring your towel and swimsuit to cool down after the ride. Marvel at the 19th Century Seeschlössl Castle on the Great Montiglier See lake.

★ After St. Anton just before Völs am Schlern/Fie allo Sciliar, the fragrant waft of fresh coffee leads you to the Coroma roastery, where you can enjoy an authentic Italian espresso. If you feel like hanging around, you can see how coffee beans are roasted and more besides.

★ This detour is mainly about the scenic views of the Schlern. Together with Santner Peak, the Schlern is the unique emblem of South Tyrol. To reach the Seiser Alm, the largest high Alpine plateau in Europe, use the Seiser Alm cable car.

This excursion to the Kalterer See lake offers you the opportunity to see more of the countryside. The track initially runs along a disused railway line and under some old tunnels beneath Sigmundskron Castle, before crossing over the old First World War railroad, which supplied the Imperial Austrian army on the battle front. Today, an accessible cycle track leads along the disused line to a scenic lookout point. Running on a gentle gradient, the undulating cycle track offers you stunning views of the South Tyrolean lowlands, dominated by vineyards and apple farms. It passes through some of the best Pinot Noir and autochthonous Lagrein wineyards before reaching Castelbeder. Due to its beauty, it's said that in pre-Christian times this was believed to be the domain of the gods. The final stretch to the provincial boundary with Trentino runs through an interesting tunnel system to San Lugano, the town on the eponymous pass.

★ Immerse yourself in history. There are about 150 historic castles, palaces, and country manors in the district of Eppan/Appiano. Three of these lies on the Eppaner Burgendreieck circuit trail beneath the Gantkofel mountain.

This 100-year-old trail takes you from the Etschradroute cycling trail through scenic vineyards and fruit farms across the Trudner Horn Nature Park to a scenic hill. The disused Fleimstalbahn railway line is all that remains of the old First World War railroad, which supplied the Imperial Austrian army on the battle front. Today, an accessible cycle track leads along the disused line to a scenic lookout point. Running on a gentle gradient, the undulating cycle track offers you stunning views of the South Tyrolean lowlands, dominated by vineyards and apple farms. It passes through some of the best Pinot Noir and autochthonous Lagrein wineyards before reaching Castelbeder. Due to its beauty, it's said that in pre-Christian times this was believed to be the domain of the gods. The final stretch to the provincial boundary with Trentino runs through an interesting tunnel system to San Lugano, the town on the eponymous pass.

★ From Kaltenbrunn/Fontanafredda continue uphill to Truden/Trodena, a small village after which the Trudner Horn Nature Park is named. Those on mountain bikes can use the forest tracks to reach the Alpine huts higher up. Alternatively, ride from Altrei/Anterivo to Molina (TN), and further east along the old Fleimstalbahn railroad line to Predazzo (TN).

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Other Cycle Routes in South Tyrol
Meer fietsroutes door Zuid-Tirol / Südtirol

Cathedral of / Domkerk van Brixen/Bressanone

Charming towns and cultural attractions

This cycling route stretches from the Alps to the threshold of the Mediterranean: from the Brenner Pass on the Austro-Italian border to the provincial capital of Bolzano/Bozen. Divided into stages, the 96 km cycling route along the old railway line on the banks of the Eisack river passes through historic settlements. Medieval towns, such as Sterzing/Vipiteno with its Zwölfturm tower, Brixen/Bressanone with the 11th Century cathedral and the Hoburg Diocesan Museum, and the artists' town of Klausen/Chiusa with the imposing Säben Monastery are all worth visiting. Besides the built-up areas, there are also longer stretches of countryside, peppered with rural hamlets. The route leads to Bolzano/Bozen, the provincial capital of South Tyrol: a cultural meeting ground of north and south. At the bustling fruit and vegetable market in the old town centre, traders and customers haggle in German and Italian, while nearby restaurants serve dumplings and pasta alike. And garden walks and promenades are lined with palm trees – all this and more under the gaze of the majestic Dolomites.

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