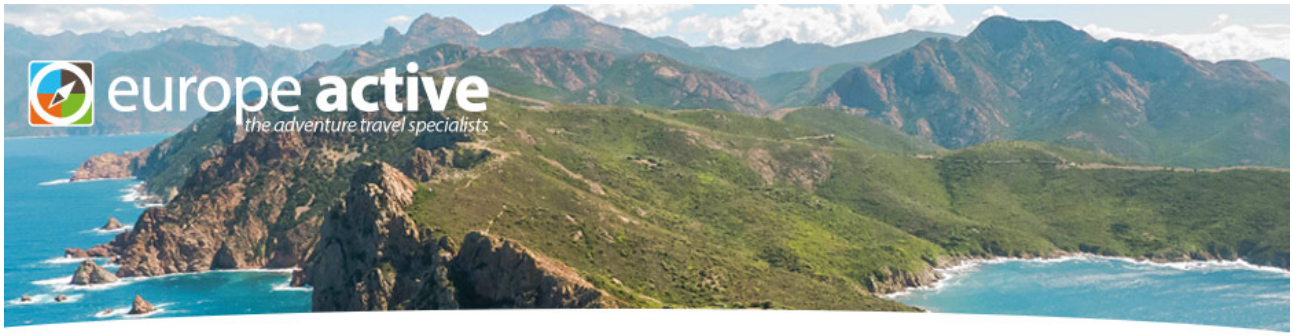

The welcoming lands of the Ardèche and the Drôme

7 days/ 6 nights

Grab the wheel and ride onto the most scenic roads in the Drôme and Ardèche departments! This trip will offer you a fantastic itinerary and nights in biker friendly gîtes and environment. Embark on a journey rich in natural beauty, adventure and exploration with majestic mountains and beautiful gorges as your daily backdrop. This trip is a great opportunity to meet friendly locals and ride on enchanting roads.

YOUR PROGRAM

Day 1 - Arriving in the hills of the Drôme

Arrival at 6.00pm.
Upon your arrival, the gîte owner will serve you welcome drinks.
Dinner in a table d'hôte and night in a guestroom.

Day 2 - Vercors, a natural fortress

During today's stage, you will ride for 270km along the roads of the Vercors. This Natural Regional Park will offer you splendid views over the gargantuan walls of the 'Combe Laval'. The Vercors is a fantastic piece of road with the Col du Rousset and its nice hairpins followed by short straights. It is undoubtedly the most extraordinary natural site in the Drôme department, with spectacular views and majestic cliffs.

Dinner in a table d'hôte and night in a guestroom.

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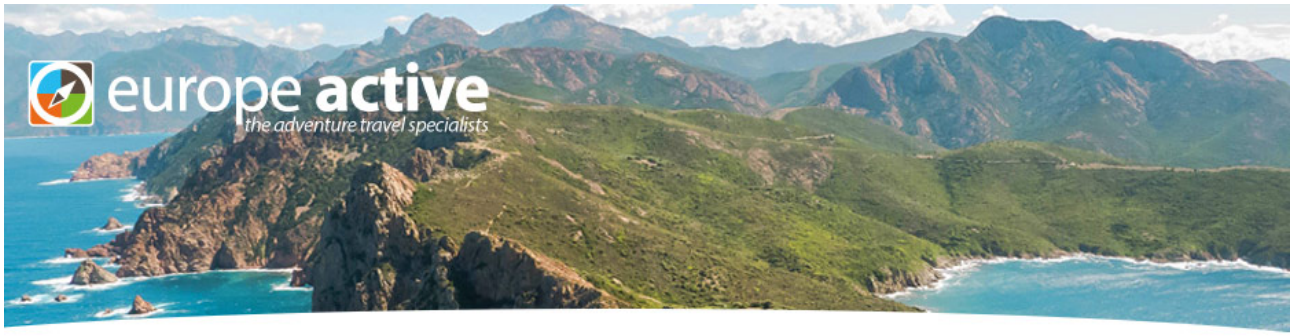


Day 3 - The Ardèche volcanoes

Today's journey of discovery will lead you to ride in the direction of the Natural Regional Park of the Ardèche Mounts and the splendid Mont-Gerbier-de-Jonc. The Loire River, which is the longest in France, has its source in the springs of the side of this mount, located in the south of the Cévenne hills. Speed off onto delightful meandering roads for sensational thrills, with peaceful and protected natural landscapes in the background.

Dinner in a table d'hôte and night in a guestroom.

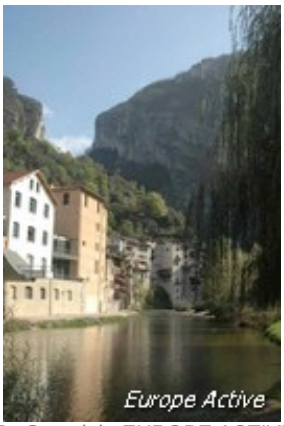
Distance: approximately 230km.

Day 4 - The Diois

Hop on your motorbike and cruise down to the Diois and the south of the Drôme to discover villages nestled at the foot of a mountain or perched on green rolling hills. On your way there, you will be able to stop at Crest, admire the highest dungeon in Europe, and get to taste the 'Clairette de Die', a local and natural sparkling white wine. The roads of the 'Gorges des Gas' and the 'Col de Cabre' will give you a handful of scenic views and good fast sweepers, before reaching the waterfalls of the 'Saut de la Drôme' at Luc-en-Diois.

Dinner in a table d'hôte and night in a guesthouse.

Distance: approximately 180km.



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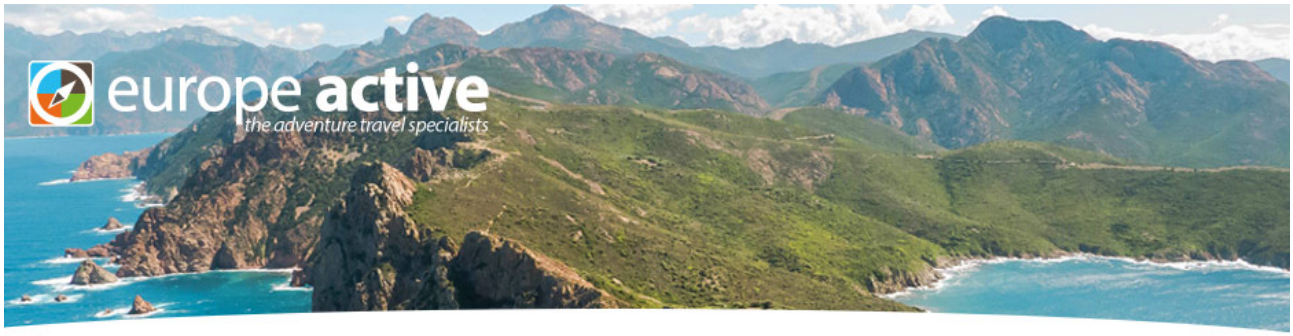

Day 5 - The Mont-Ventoux, a symbolic feature of Provence

Ride on to discover the south of the Drôme. Authentic and charming little villages abound in this part of the region, such as Nyons with its olive groves and lavender farms or Grignan and its sumptuous castle. Once you arrive at the Col d'Ey, you will discover the windswept summit of the 'Giant of Provence'. Culminating at 1912m, the Mont-Ventoux will sweep you away to dreamy lunar landscapes. A smooth road will take you there, with nice curves through beech groves and cedar tree forests, sprinkled with limestone boulders.

Dinner in a table d'hôte and night in a guesthouse.

Distance: approximately 200km.

Day 6 - The Ardèche Gorge, a beautiful 'natural reserve'

A spectacular ride back in time awaits you today. Starting from cliff tops, dominating the Ardèche River, you will continue to ride along roads where you will be able to admire natural caves, some of which are of great geological or archeological importance. The Chauvet Cave for instance contains some of the earliest known cave paintings in the world. Enjoy this wonderful and rather surreal experience!

Dinner in a table d'hôte and night in a guesthouse.

Distance: approximately 290km.

Day 7 - Your trip ends near Buis les Baronnies

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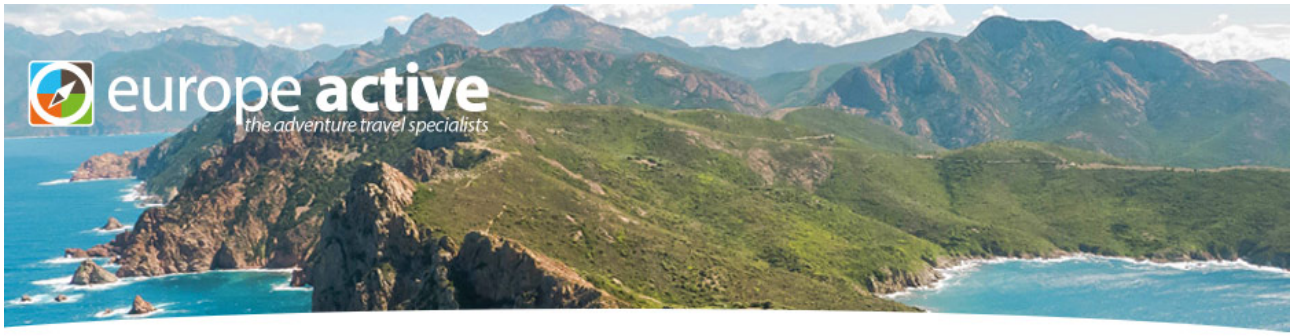

Your trip ends after breakfast.

Additional information

TARIFFS
Price from 530 euros per person.

OPTIONS
Supplement for single bedrooms : 250 euros per person.
Off season discount (October to April) : 30 euros per person.

INCLUDED
Nights in comfortable guestrooms (double or twin bedrooms), breakfasts and evening meals, information package with maps and road-books.

NOT INCLUDED
Transfers which are not included in the tour, personal travel insurance, beverages, motorbike rental, repair costs, fines and speed tickets, visits of tourist sites, optional activities which are not included in the tour, personal expenses.

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY
Approximately 290km a day.

ACCOMMODATION
Nights in Gîte de France guestrooms. As gîtes only have few rooms we may have to change the itinerary a bit to find availability.

SIZE OF GROUP
From 2.

DEPARTURES
Every day from April to October. ,after on request.

DEPARTURE
In the Drôme.

DISPERSION
Near Buis les Barronies.

EQUIPMENT TO TAKE
Bike Trousers.
Bike Jacket.
Bike Gloves.
Bike Boots.
Helmet (can be hired)

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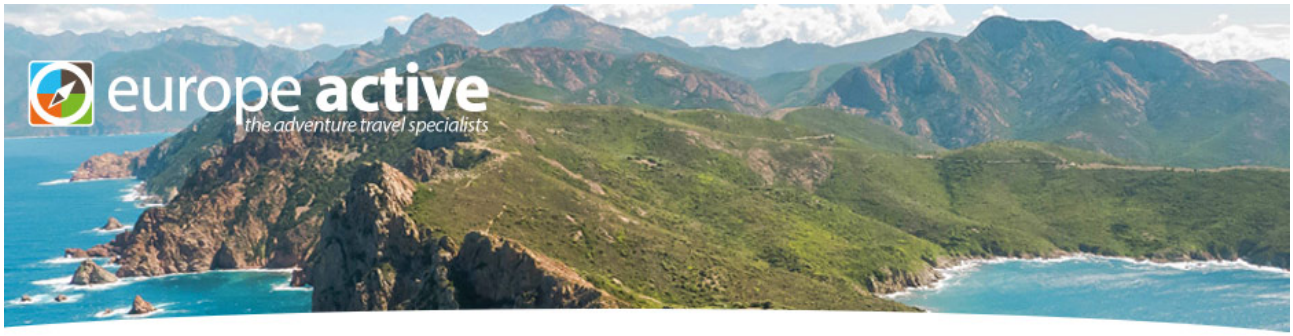

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