



## TOUR ITINERARY

RIDING  
LEVEL

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Europe / Italy / Puglia

# Puglia Bike Tour

The Breadbasket of Italy: the Beginning of Something Delicious



## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Cycle along Italy's most stunning coastal road to the lighthouse of Leuca at the tip of the Italian peninsula
- In the UNESCO-listed town of Alberobello, visit our friend Mimmo for lunch at his family's *trullo*—the conical stone dwelling unique to Puglia
- Taste fresh mozzarella at a family-run farm
- Take a cooking class at our friends' *masseria* and learn to make *orecchiette* pasta
- Stay at a boutique hotel in the heart of Valle d'Itria that conveys a sense of place through its design and construction





## ARRIVAL + DEPARTURE

### Arrival Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**  
Bari or Brindisi, Italy
- 📍 **Pick-Up Location:**  
Lecce (Porta Napoli)
- 🕒 **Pick-Up Time:**  
11:00 am

### Departure Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**  
Bari, Italy
- 📍 **Drop-Off Location:**  
Bari Airport
- 🕒 **Drop-Off Time:**  
9:30 am

**NOTE:** DuVine provides group transfers to and from the tour from the pick-up and drop-off locations stated on the itinerary. In the event your train, flight, or other travel falls outside the arrival or departure times or locations, you may be responsible for extra costs incurred in arranging a separate transfer.

### Emergency Assistance

For urgent assistance on your way to tour or while on tour, please always contact your guides first. You may also contact the Boston office during business hours at +1 617 776 4441 or [emergency@duvine.com](mailto:emergency@duvine.com).



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## Tour By Day

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### Welcome to Puglia

Our guides meet you in Lecce for a transfer to the start of our Puglia tour near the enchanting seaport of Otranto. After a bike fitting and safety talk, we'll set off on our bikes through a sea of olive trees. You'll soon realize why Puglia is the biggest olive-producing region in Italy as you cycle through this stunning landscape. Stop in Otranto to explore the town before completing the loop back to the hotel. Tonight, head to a small winery to experience the legendary hospitality of Southern Italy during our first Pugliese dinner.

**Meals:** Lunch / Dinner

**Destinations:** Otranto, Minervino, Uggiano la Chiesa

**Accomplished:** 19 miles / 30 km, elevation gain: 731 feet / 223 meters

**Shorter Option:** 12 miles / 19 km, elevation gain: 377 feet / 115 meters

**Accommodations:** [Palazzo Ducale Venturi](#) or [Le Capase](#) or [Masseria Muzza](#)

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### Seacoast, Sanctuaries, and Seafood

Today we'll ride one of the most stunning coastal roads in Europe with breathtaking views of cliffs, bays, and the endless sea. Pass through fishing villages like Porto Badisco and Santa Cesarea Terme. Our destination is Leuca, a lighthouse and sanctuary that has drawn pilgrims for centuries. Here the land ends as we reach the heel of the Italian boot. This afternoon, take a swim, challenge yourself with some extra miles and stop for a seafood lunch at our friend's restaurant overlooking a small fishing port. This evening, explore historic Otranto; your guides are happy to recommend their favorite local restaurants for dinner.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch

**Destinations:** Porto Badisco, Santa Cesarea Terme, Castro, Tricase Porto, Santa María di Leuca

**Accomplished:** 30 miles / 49 km, elevation gain: 1,637 feet / 499 meters

**Longer Option:** 40 miles / 65 km, elevation gain: 2,453 feet / 748 meters

**Accommodations:** [Palazzo Ducale Venturi](#) or [Le Capase](#) or [Masseria Muzza](#)

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### Locorotondo and the Valle d'Itria

This morning we'll transfer north to the stunning Itria Valley. Our first destination is a small farm that produces mozzarella: before we begin biking, we'll taste some life-changing cheese and other farm-fresh products. Today's ride takes us to the picturesque village of Locorotondo, known for its maze of white-washed streets and considered one of the most beautiful villages in Italy. Stop for lunch at our friend Roberto's local *trattoria*, then ride through the lush farmland of the Valle d'Itria to our hotel. The design of the property is anchored by its restored *trulli*, the conical stone structures unique to Puglia. Spend the afternoon relaxing by the pool before we regroup for dinner.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

**Destinations:** Pascarosia, Locorotondo, Trito

**Accomplished:** 20 miles / 32 km, elevation gain: 1,168 feet / 356 meters

**Longer Option:** 29 miles / 47 km, elevation gain: 1,853 feet / 565 meters

**Accommodations:** [Ottolire Resort](#) or [Borgo Canonica](#)

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### Alberobello, Mimmo, and Masserie

Ride across the Itria Valley through pastures and vineyards until you arrive at the enchanting heart of Cisternino, recognized as one of the most picturesque villages in Italy. Our route will pass more and more *trulli* houses on our way to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Alberobello. Here, our friend Mimmo will show us around his town before inviting us to a home-cooked lunch in his family's *trullo*. After lunch, transfer or cycle with spectacular views of the coast to our final hotel, a five-star luxury resort here on the coastal plain. Tonight, we dine alongside locals at an unforgettable traditional restaurant.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

**Destinations:** Cisternino, Locorotondo, Alberobello, Savelletri

**Accomplished:** 18 miles / 29 km, elevation gain: 1,220 feet / 372 meters

**Longer Option:** 38 miles / 62 km, elevation gain: 1,653 feet / 504 meters

**Accommodations:** [Masseria San Domenico](#) or [Borgo Egnazia](#) or [Torre Maizza](#)

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### Cooking and the Coast

Cycle along the coast through the quaint fishing village of Savellettri, past the Roman ruins of Egnazia, and down tiny roads that wind through endless, centuries-old olive groves. We'll visit the beautiful *masseria* of our friends Chiara and Filippo where we'll taste their olive oil and prepare our own lunch at a cooking class. After lunch opt to go directly back to the hotel, or bike up the ridge for a stunning view of this colorful canvas: the bright blue Adriatic set against the rich brown and vibrant olive green hues. This evening we'll celebrate this amazing region with a farewell dinner at our hotel.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

**Destinations:** Savellettri, Torre Canne, ruins of Egnazia, Pezze di Greco

**Accomplished:** 27 miles / 44 km, elevation gain: 1,138 feet / 347 meters

**Shorter Option:** 13 miles / 21 km, elevation gain: 535 feet / 163 meters

**Accommodations:** [Masseria San Domenico](#) or [Borgo Egnazia](#) or [Torre Maizza](#)

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### Goodbye to Puglia

After breakfast on the terrace, enjoy a stroll on the grounds of the *masseria* or take a morning dip in the pool, relax at the spa, or visit the beach. We will then transfer you to the Bari Airport as you head on to your next destination.

**Meals:** Breakfast

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