



Niagara Wine Region Cycling 5 Days

Summary

Length

5 days/4 nights with 3 days of cycling

Dates

Start any Sunday, Monday or Thursday between May 1 and October 15

Contact us if you would prefer to start on another day

Level

This is an easy tour

Average daily distance is 55km/ 35 mi and the terrain is mainly level

"We returned on Sunday and wanted you to know that we had an amazing trip! The accommodations were fantastic, the scenery was breathtaking, Steve (our coordinator) was great, and the biking was superb. It was one of the best vacations ever. We can't wait for our next trip!!!"

- L. Booth

Our tour to the Niagara Region is the perfect introduction to this lovely corner of Canada. Explore historic landmarks and towns, pedal past traditional red brick farmhouses sheltered by stately maple trees, and trace the course of the fascinating Welland canal. Bask in the warmth of the sun as you wind your way through vineyards and orchards, savour fine wine and superb cuisine, and every night settle into cozy accommodations.

Itinerary



Day 1

Arrive in **Niagara-on-the-Lake**, one of the prettiest towns in Canada. Take a stroll along shady streets lined by lovely 19th-century houses, many

of them proudly displaying heritage plaques. Then explore the shops and treat yourself to dinner in one of the town's excellent restaurants. This might be the perfect time to take in a play at the Shaw Festival.

Day 2

Learn about life in 1812 at Fort George, then head off through the vineyards to the Welland Canal. Soon you're rolling over hills, lush and green in the summer and blazing red in the fall. Take some time to walk in Short Hills Provincial Park, then glide down the Escarpment. Ahead of you is the blue vastness of Lake Ontario and, on a clear day, you can see the CN Tower in Toronto. Arrive at the charming village of **Jordan**, where you'll spend two nights.

Day 3

Start with a short climb up the Escarpment, wander in to Ball's Falls, then ride through the vineyards. Visit some of the province's best wineries and enjoy a bit of wine tasting. Be sure to treat yourself to a spectacular lunch at one of the winery restaurants. Fol-

low tiny roads that meander along Lake Ontario and through apple and peach orchards, then return to Jordan.



Day 4

Head for Port Dalhousie, on the shore of Lake Ontario. Browse through the shops and stroll along the harbour. Follow the waterfront trail, then pedal along the Welland Canal bike path. At Lock 3 you can climb up to a viewing stand and almost touch the huge ships that pass by. Ride all the way to Thorold to the Twinned Flight Locks where ships climb up and down the Niagara Escarpment. Then it's back to wine country, as you approach Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Day 5

Take a final stroll around Niagara-on-the-Lake or do some last minute souvenir hunting, before departing for another adventure.



Randonnée Tours

How to get there?

Your tour starts in Niagara-on-the-Lake, located at the mouth of the Niagara River. Access is easy by car.

The nearest international airports are Lester B. Pearson Airport near Toronto and Buffalo Niagara International Airport near Buffalo.

Taxis, limousines, and buses are available for transfers between the airports and the tour start and end.

Accommodation

Classic



Jordan house, Jordan

Jordan House is a contemporary and stylish hotel located in the charming village of Jordan. All rooms have queen beds, comfortable linens, flat screen tvs, AC and operable windows. Jordan is one of the treasures of the Niagara with vineyards nearby.



Gatehouse Hotel, Niagara-on-the-Lake

Located only steps away from exclusive shops and historic sites. The Italian style restaurant, *Ristorante Giardino* has experienced chefs that will create memorable meals.

B & B



Vintage House B&B, Jordan

This historic home provides a romantic, century home setting. The surrounding gardens have a gazebo to relax in.



Abel Thomas House B&B, Niagara on the lake

Set amidst mature trees in an English style garden, Abel Thomas House Bed & Breakfast is situated only a one-minute walk from the elegant shops, restaurants and theatres of Queen Street in the heart of the Heritage District of Niagara-on-the-Lake. Delicious three course breakfast, perfect for cyclists!



The price includes:

- 4 nights hotels
- All breakfasts and 1 dinner
- Use of a top quality 21-speed hybrid bike complete with handlebar bag, pump, and all the necessary accessories for changing flats. We recommend that you bring your own helmet for safety and hygiene reasons
- Detailed route instructions and map
- Luggage transfers
- Area Manager available throughout the tour

Accommodation

Luxe



Pillar and Post,

Niagara on the Lake

Voted the best hotel in Ontario by *Condé Nast Traveler*, and Ontario's only 5-star country inn. Each room has been individually designed and furnished. Guests can also visit the spa or two excellent restaurants.



Inn on the Twenty

Jordan

This is a charming, 24-room inn, featuring suites with fireplaces and Jacuzzi tubs and a full service Spa. The excellent restaurant here, *Dine on the Twenty* features regional cuisine.

Randonnée Tours

SELF-GUIDED CYCLING + WALKING VACATIONS

SINCE 1989