



We are now taking reservations for the 2018 Giro d'Italia. These trips sell out every year so give us a call at 866 464 8735 to reserve your spot today!

There's a reason why Italy is cycling's birthplace. There's something different here, from a culture practically born and raised on two wheels, to a terrain purpose-built for cyclists who love steep climbs, sweeping views and unbeatable roads. Maybe that's why the Giro is so special - it's a race crossing all of Italy's classic climbs with a soundtrack of cheers at every turn. This year is the Giro's 100th edition, and it promises to be extra special. You'll feel the passion of fans screaming as you climb the iconic Mortirolo and Stelvio just hours before pros battle on the same roads in pursuit of the pink jersey. You'll tackle the most famous climbs of Dolomites and some of the world prettiest roads. You'll enjoy the Official Giro VIP finish viewing, and get special behind-the-scenes access to talk strategy with the Trek-Segafredo team, tour the team bus, and check-out Trek's cutting-edge bikes and equipment! With first-class guide support, warm Italian hospitality, exquisite cuisine, and charming family-owned chalets, join us to discover why the Giro is often referred to as, "The toughest race in the world's most beautiful place!"

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Rider Type

Avid

Hotel Style

Explorer

Duration

7 days | 6 nights

Start | End

Bormio, Italy | Canazei, Italy

TRIP WOWS

EXCLUSIVE VIP EXPERIENCE at the finish line of Stage 16

VIP ACCESS TO RIDE ACROSS THE FINISH LINE hours before the pros on Stage 17

RIDE ON THE OFFICIAL RACE COURSE of Stages 16, 17 and

EXPERIENCE THE PASSION of the 100th edition Giro d'Italia

MEET THE TREK-SEGAFREDO TEAM and get the chance to tour the team bus

EXPERIENCE THIS YEAR'S FEATURED CLIMBS including Passo Mortirolo and Passo dello Stelvio

SAVOR NORTHERN ITALIAN CUISINE blending local Italian and Austrian flavors



DAILY ITINERARY

2017

DAY 1

Today's Ride:

Bormio to Torri di Fraele Return

Approximately 21 miles with 2,930 feet of climbing

Description:

Molto bello! The bellissimo world of Italy welcomes you. Your Trek Travel guides will meet you at the Tirano Train Station (Piazzale Stazione) at 11:00 AM on the first day of the trip. Your Giro d'Italia adventure begins with a scenic 45-minute shuttle to the mountainous slopes of Bormio, located in the Lombardy region of the Italian Alps. Known for both its skiing and hot springs, Bormio is becoming an increasingly popular destination for cyclists as well. You'll arrive at your picturesque hotel to find geraniums in the flower boxes, creating a truly European mountain ambiance. After a hearty lunch of local favorites, your guides will do a thorough fitting to your Trek Domane bike before you take to the open road to shake off the travel and test your legs on the first climbs in the Italian Alps. Tonight your guides will host a rousing round of introductions for you and your travel companions over cocktails and a savory welcome feast. Trade insights and updates on the race action so far before turning in to rest up for tomorrow's first full day of alpine riding.

Hotel:

Hotel Baita dei Pini
www.BaitaDeiPini.com

Hotel Variation on Select Dates:

Hotel Residence Cristallo
www.cristallohotelresidence.it

Meals:

Lunch | Social Hour | Dinner

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DAY 2

Today's Ride:

Bormio to Passo Mortirolo

Approximately 25 miles with 4,200 feet of climbing

Avid Option:

Bormio to Passo Mortirolo with Passo Gavia Loop

Approximately 75 miles with 11,100 feet of climbing

Description:

While the pros enjoy a well-deserved rest day, we will ride part of tomorrow's Alpine queen stage, tackling the Gavia first if weather allows. This long and steady climb has been featured nine times in the Giro since 1960 and

today is your opportunity to conquer it. The challenge continues once you summit Gavia, as the main climb of the day still lies ahead. Passo Mortirolo, which the pros will ride tomorrow, is a narrow, winding road with incredibly steep sections and an average grade of 10.5%. Much of the route weaves through the forest with glimpses of the majestic valley below. It's a serious challenge with an even sweeter reward at the top. Your guides will be close by to cheer you on and refill your water and snacks as needed. Then, enjoy an invigorating descent and pedal back to Bormio. Once you arrive back at the hotel, enjoy a relaxed evening in an anticipation of the big race tomorrow!

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Hotel Baita dei Pini www.BaitaDeiPini.com	Hotel Residence Cristallo www.cristallohotelresidence.it	Breakfast Dinner

DAY 3

Today's Ride:	Avid Option:	Today's Race Access:
Stelvio Pass Approximately 35 miles with 4,750 feet of climbing	Stelvio Pass via Umbrail Pass Approximately 62 miles with 11,500 feet of climbing	Ride on the Stage 16 Official Race Course Exclusive VIP Race Viewing of the Stage 16 Finish

Description:

Get ready for an adrenaline packed day at the Giro d'Italia. We will follow the official race course as we climb up Passo dello Stelvio - the highest road in the eastern Alps and considered as one of the most beautiful passes in Europe, including 48 hairpins turns on the 21.8 km climb (7.1% average). It's one of the greatest experiences cycling has to offer. Afterward, our long descent leads through the Venosta Valley to Prato allo Stelvio, crossing the borders to Switzerland and climbing over Umbrail Pass back to Italy. We will then descend back to Bormio, the finishing town of today's stage. After a refreshing shower, enjoy an official VIP race viewing at the Stage 16 finish line. You will have access to a fenced-off viewing area with big TV screens and refreshments to watch as the riders finish this grueling stage. Your exclusive access pass will allow you to meander in and out of the hospitality zone, so you may visit the various stands set up by the sponsors of the caravan.

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DAY 4

Today's Ride:	Today's Race Access:	Today's Team Access:
Bolzano to Canazei Approximately 50 miles with 6,300 feet of climbing	Ride Across the Stage 17 Finish Line	Behind the scenes with the Trek-Segafredo team

Description:

This morning we will say goodbye to Bormio and transfer east, following today's stage into the Dolomites. Our ride will join the official Giro route and climb gradually until we reach the finish line in Canazei, our home for next three nights. Here we will have the exclusive opportunity to ride across the finish line and commemorate the experience with photos together on the official podium. You will have enough time to get showered and enjoy the finish line excitement before the pros make their final attack to win the stage. Today's excitement is far from over, as tonight we'll head the team hotel to meet the Trek-Segafredo team. We'll tour the team bus, talk to race mechanics, check out the bikes and get an entirely insider's view of all the action!

Hotel:

Hotel La Perla
www.hotellaperla.net

Hotel Variation on Select Dates:

Hotel Cristallo
www.hotelcristallo.net/en/information/index/1-0.html

Included Meals:

Breakfast | Lunch | Social Hour |
Dinner

DAY 5**Today's Ride:**

Sella Ronda Loop with Passo Valparola Loop
Approximately 60 miles with 9,600 feet of climbing

Short Option:

Sella Ronda Loop
Approximately 35 miles with 5,450 feet of climbing

Today's Race Access:

Ride on the Stage 18 Official Race Course

Description:

Welcome to the Queen Stage in the Dolomites, including some of the most well-known passes of this region: Pordoi, Valparola, Gardena and Sella. These four climbs make up the famous and scenic Sella Ronda route, and today we'll follow the race course past cheering crowds as we climb. Along the way your guides will find the best spot for you to stop and cheer on the peloton as it flies by. After the caravan has passed, we will make our way back to the hotel and watch the stage finish on TV at the hotel bar. Tonight, relax in the hotel's wellness center and enjoy dinner on your own at one of the delicious local restaurants.

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www.hotellaperla.net

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Hotel Cristallo
www.hotelcristallo.net/en/information/index/1-0.html

Included Meals:

Breakfast | Lunch

DAY 6**Today's Ride:**

Canazei to Passo San Pellegrino with Passo Fedaia Loop
Approximately 55 miles with 8,500 feet of climbing

Description:

Today we'll ride the challenging Passo Fedaia, which looms in the shadow of the towering giant Marmolada, the highest peak in the Dolomites. We'll start with a descent to Moena before we begin our first climb up Passo di San Pellegrino. Upon reaching the summit we'll descend and enjoy lunch in the lake town of Alleghe before today's big challenge: Passo Fedaia. Find your rhythm as you pedal up the 12 to 15% grades, making your way to the glacier-fed Fedaia Lake at the summit. After a picturesque descent to Canazei, enjoy post-ride refreshments with your newfound friends. Tonight we'll meet for a farewell dinner and toast to new friends, stellar riding and the ultimate Giro d'Italia experience!

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www.hotellaperla.net

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www.hotelcristallo.net/en/information/index/1-0.html

Included Meals:

Breakfast | Lunch | Social Hour |
Dinner

DAY 7**Today's Activity:**

Departure

Description:

This morning offers a chance to sleep in or take a final stroll through the town of Canazei. Enjoy a relaxing breakfast with a cappuccino while taking in the views before you bid this charming town a farewell ciao! You'll say goodbye to your guides at 10:00 AM at the Hotel La Perla and then shuttle one hour to the Bolzano Train Station, arriving at approximately 11:00 AM. Trains run from here to Milan every hour, where there are easy connections to all major Italian cities. Please allow adequate connection time for any ongoing travel to accommodate possible delays.

Included Meals:

Breakfast

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WHAT'S INCLUDED

We Include More

Every moment of a Trek Travel bike trip has more than you could have ever dreamed. More romance. More scenery. More choice. It's the little additions to every Trek Travel cycling vacation that make it truly special. And that's how we help you create more memories. [See more](#)

Activities

- Gratuities for all scheduled special events, restaurants, hotels, local guides and transportation during your trip.
- Entrance fees to all group events/activities
- All luggage transfers
- All transportation during the trip, including private coaches
- Ride on the Official Race Course of Stages 16, 17 and 18
- Official VIP Finish Experience on Stage 16
- VIP Access to ride across the finish line of Stage 17 hours before the pros
- Trek-Segafredo Team Access

Lodging

- 6 nights of accommodation
- In every region we travel, we uncover the area's best and most delightful accommodations. On our Giro d'Italia trip we've found hotels that deliver precisely for the adventure travel: relaxed elegance and service dialed into the needs of cyclists and those pushing the limits of the region around them. Each hotel is carefully chosen in areas with stunning riding, which also allows our guests the best possible access to our Giro d'Italia viewings.

Dining

- Daily breakfast, 4 lunches, 3 social hours, 5 dinners, and all snacks and drinks for each day
- Trek Travel scopes out unique and delicious dining locations, and we usually leave some for you to explore on your own. If you have any special dietary preferences, be sure that you have informed your Trek Travel Trip Consultant before you leave for your trip. We will do our best to accommodate your dietary requests. On our Giro d'Italia trip, dinner courses offer a variety of Italian specialties and presentation styles. You will notice the influence of the Austrian kitchen and the heartier style of the mountain cuisine. Most of the meals throughout the trip are eaten in the hotels and they all offer choices for a wide variety of palates. We usually leave some nights for you to explore on your own. Lunch may be a bistro meal, a packed lunch to increase your flexibility during the day, or on your own to explore other options in the region.

Support

- The knowledge, support, and camaraderie of experienced guides
- Daily route support
- Paper route guides also available upon request
- Comprehensive trip literature

Gear

- The use of a Trek Domane SL 7 carbon road bike with Shimano Di2 electronic shifting
- The use of GPS cycling computer
- The use of Bontrager bike helmets and other gear and equipment to make your ride comfortable
- Trek Travel water bottles
- Coupon valued up to \$500 off a new Trek Bicycle. Contact us for details.
- Trek Travel Bontrager RL jersey and cycling socks
- Trek-Segafredo team kit and Customized Road ID

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

Thank your Guides, by tipping

Gratuities for your Trek Travel guides are not included in your trip price. We recommend tipping 7.5-10% of your trip price for the guide team. Local currency is preferred and unless you want to tip separately, guides will divide tips amongst themselves. Please tip your guides at your discretion, based on their level of professionalism, guest care and service.

What's Not Included

- Airfare and transportation to and from the trip pick-up/drop-off locations
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Personal items purchased during the trip
- Optional activities not scheduled by Trek Travel
- On select trips some meals are not included. On these trips, Trek Travel invites you to explore the local cuisine at your leisure.
- Gratuities for your Trek Travel Guides may be given at your discretion in response to their professionalism and leadership. Industry standard is for each individual guest to tip the guide team 7.5-10% of the trip price.

ACCOMMODATIONS

[Hotel Baita dei Pini](#)

Bormio, Italy

Hotel Baita dei Pini Bormio, Italy The Baita dei Pini well represents its four stars and commitment to creating a relaxing stay with notable hospitality. The hotel has a well-equipped spa and offers excellent cuisine. There are spaces inside and out to enjoy the flowers, views of the mountains, and the traditional style of classic Italian vacations.

[Hotel La Perla](#)

Canazei, Italy

Hotel La Perla Canazei, Italy The perfect apres ski experience needs a good drink, a killer view, great company, and tired legs. Now, swap the skis for a bike and you'll find the Hotel Perla in Canazei is your place to relax and unwind with a cocktail with your guides and companions after a big day in the Dolomites. Take advantage of the hotel spa to recover from your rides (and everything else), or just soak in the saw-tooth skyline from the hotel balcony.

[Hotel Residence Cristallo | Hotel Variation](#)

Bormio, Italy

Hotel Residence Cristallo | Hotel Variation Bormio, Italy If your Aspen ski lodge had Italian coffee and authentic cornetti, then you'd think you were at the Cristallo Residence in Bormio. The hotel is a long-visited destination for skiers and cyclists who want to rest in the crook of Valtellina valley in between their days of conquering mountains. The hotel is the place to enjoy a long breakfast, soak in the spa or to catch the long rays of an Alpine sunset from your balcony. You will stay at this hotel in place of Hotel Baita dei Pini on select dates.

[Hotel Cristallo](#)

Canazei, Italy

Hotel Cristallo Canazei, Italy It's the base of the Dolomites word "majestic" those towering peaks make your stay in Canazei speechless. The hotel doubles down on this 3-star family-friendly meant to feel like home after a day of rest and recovery. You will stay at this hotel in place of Hotel La Perla on select dates.

TRAVEL SERVICES

How to get there

We suggest that you arrive at least one day prior to the trip start, which will enable you to adjust to the time zone and minimize the risk of missing the trip start due to flight-related delays.

We recommend that you fly into Milan's Malpensa Airport (MXP) and then take a train to Tirano Train Station. Trains run from Milan to Tirano every 2 hours. For further information please see [www. TrenItalia.com](http://www.TrenItalia.com).

Meeting Time And Location

Tirano Train Station | Tirano, Italy

Your Trek Travel guides will meet you at the Tirano Train Station (Piazzale Stazione) at 11:00 AM on the first day of the trip. You'll then shuttle 45 minutes to the charming town of Bormio, where your picturesque mountain hotel awaits. You'll enjoy a taste of Italy with your new travel companions, followed by a professional bike fitting to ensure a great ride on your Trek Domane. You'll then test out your new wheels on your first ascent into the Italian Alps.

If you will be late for the pick-up or are going to miss it altogether, please inform your guides. You will receive an email a week before the trip start with their names and contact details. If you cannot reach them, please call our first hotel, Hotel Baita dei Pini (+39 0342 904 346) or your hotel variation, Hotel Residence Cristallo (+39 0342 902700) and leave a message with your expected arrival time and contact details.

Departing Time and Location

Bolzano Train Station | Bolzano, Italy

You will say farewell to your guides at 10:00 AM at Hotel La Perla or your hotel variation, Hotel Cristallo. You'll then shuttle one hour to the Bolzano Train Station, arriving at approximately 11:00 AM. Trains run from here to Milan every hour, where there are easy connections to all major Italian cities. The average journey time between Bolzano and Milano Centrale (Milan) take 3-4 hours. We recommend that you book your tickets in advance. For further information, please see www.TrenItalia.com. Please allow adequate connection time for any ongoing travel to accommodate possible traffic delays.

Before & After: Milan, Italy

A lot can be said and written about Milan. A town of ancient origins, founded by the Celts and conquered by the Romans, it saw its splendor increase during the Renaissance when the Visconti family, followed by the Sforza family, ruled the city. During this period, the magnificent Gothic Duomo was built, and artists like Leonardo da Vinci and Bramante came to work in the city, leaving great masterpieces like the "Cenacolo di Leonardo." During the Austrian Imperial dynasty of the Hapsburgs, the world-renowned Scala Theatre was created and instantly became the fulcrum of the artistic life of the town. Milan is also an international capital of fashion and design, with a very lively cultural scene. Major theaters and hundreds of art galleries and events cause visitors to think that Milan never sleeps. We recommend the following accommodations for your pre and post-trip hotel:

Hotel Regina

A small hotel with individually decorated rooms, this four-star hotel has a private interior garden and plenty of charm to add to your enjoyment of Milan.

via Cesare Correnti, 13 | +39 0258 106 913 | www.HotelRegina.it | ~\$395

Hotel Berna

A well-located 4 star hotel within a 5 minute walk to the central station and airport shuttles. It has been recently renovated and makes a convenient stay before flying home.

via Napo Torriani, 18 | +39 02 677 311 | www.HotelBerna.com | ~\$250

UNA Maison Milano

A prestigious and historical building faithfully restored, this hotel is located in the center of Milan, walking distance to many of the main attractions!

via Mazzini 4, Milan | +39 02 85 605 | www.unahotels.it/it/una_maison_milano/hotel_milano_centro.htm | ~\$250

FAQS

Trip Changes

Our itineraries are an approximation of our trips. Trek Travel strives to offer each and every guest a vacation of a lifetime on every trip. At times routes, hotels, activities, etc. listed here may change at the discretion of the trip designer or guides to improve the trip experience.

What are the daily rides like?

- Rider Type | 4
- Average Daily Mileage | 50
- Terrain | Mountainous
- Average Daily Elevation | 7,150 ft

On all of our vacations, Trek Travel strives to find quiet, paved secondary roads or bike paths to experience a region; busy roads are avoided as much as possible. Giro d'Italia is best suited for our Type 4 Riders. Our Trek Travel guides can also easily accommodate Type 3 Riders, who seek less mileage or fewer uphill, with a boost in the van. The terrain is challenging, with steep climbs followed by long descents. See Itinerary for specific daily ride distance and elevation options.

What is the weather going to be like?

Weather in the mountains of Italy in May is always unpredictable. Be prepared for any kind of weather, including snow and icy conditions. Temperatures range from 30 to 70 degrees and we recommend to pack your warmers, winter and spring gloves, rain jacket, wind breaker, and booties. Being prepared for the weather can make a challenging ride much more enjoyable!

What are the options for a non-rider travel companion?

On most Trek Travel trips, we offer non-riding options for riders who want to take the afternoon off, or travel companions who want to spend little or no time in the saddle. Some of these options may need to be scheduled before your trip—please contact one of our Trip Consultants for more information. Expenses and/or related transportation to these activities may not be included in the trip price. See Included In The Trip Price for more information. Some non-riding options on this trip are:

- Exclusive Pro Team Access—get behind the scenes with the Trek-Segafredo team
- Official VIP Finish Experience at Stage 16
- Spa Treatments

Do you have upgrade options available?

For an additional fee you may request to upgrade to the brand new Trek Emonda SLR with Shimano Di2 Electronic shifting or Bontrager Aeolus carbon wheels for the ultimate riding experience. Contact our trip consultants for more details.

What kind of information is provided?

When a trip is booked, a guest confirmation letter is immediately sent out. One week prior to the trip start you will receive an email containing a trip start meeting location reminder and any last minute information that you will need to know before your trip. Once you arrive at your destination Trek Travel staff will brief you on the day-to-day plan for the trip and provide you with daily route guides and a detailed map allowing you to ride with complete confidence and independence.

What if I have to change or cancel my trip?

We understand things happen in life and sometimes you have to cancel or change your bike tour. We want to make it as easy as possible to do so and below you will find our timeline. If you ever have a question, just give us a call, 866 464 8735. [Read our cancellation policy.](#)

What should I pack?

Please review our [packing list](#) page for more details.

General FAQs

Didn't find what you were looking for? [Check out our General FAQs section.](#) You will find answers to all the most common questions that don't necessarily pertain to a specific trip.

Race FAQs

Want to learn more about our race trip difference? [Check out our Race FAQs section.](#) You will find answers to all the most common questions that pertain to our race trips.