# 7-Day Road Trip Adventure

A classic seven-day road trip covering 1,200 km of scenic highways, back roads, and national parks. Daily driving legs of 2-4 hours with town exploration, nature hikes, adventure activities, and diverse accommodation. Detailed driving notes and fuel logistics included.

## Day 1 — Departure & First Stop

### Road Trip Overview

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| Description: | Seven-day driving loop covering approximately 1,200 km of scenic roads. Mix of highways, mountain passes, and rural backroads. Six overnight stops in varied accommodation — motels, inns, cabins, and a campsite. Daily drives average 2-3 hours with frequent stops. The route passes through three distinct landscape zones. |
| Group Size: | 2–5 people, one vehicle |
| Fitness Requirement: | Light — day hikes optional, 1,240 km of driving |

### First Driving Leg

Transport

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| Description: | Depart early to beat city traffic. Take the highway out of town, then exit onto the scenic route after 50 km. The back road winds through farmland and low hills with several picturesque villages. Plan a coffee stop at the village with the old stone bridge. |
| Duration: | 3h 0min |
| Distance: | 200.0 km |
| Start Time: | 08:00 |

### Explore First Town

Easy · Activity

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| Description: | Arrive at the first stop town by early afternoon. Walk through the historic center, visit the main square, and check the tourist information office for local recommendations. Most small towns reward wandering without a plan — let curiosity guide you. |
| Duration: | 2h 0min |

### Roadside Motel

Accommodation

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| Description: | Clean, comfortable motel on the edge of town. Free parking right outside the room. Nothing fancy, but good value and well-located for an early departure tomorrow. Ask at reception about local restaurants. |
| Price: | 70 € |
| Address: | Highway 9, First Town (2 km north of center) |
| Check-in: | Invalid Date |

### Roadside Diner Dinner

Meal

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| Description: | Dinner at a local diner or tavern. Road trip meals should be unpretentious and hearty. Try whatever the house specialty is — regional food at roadside stops is often the highlight of a trip. |
| Price: | 20 € |

### Evening at Leisure Free Time

Description: Unwind after the first day of driving. Check tomorrow's route on the map, charge cameras and phones, and get an early night. The scenic route tomorrow deserves a fresh start.

## Day 2 — Scenic Highway

### Scenic Highway Drive Transport

Description: The most photogenic drive of the trip. The scenic highway follows a ridge line through dramatic landscape — deep valleys, rock formations, and sweeping vistas at every turn. Multiple pullover points marked with viewpoint signs. Budget extra time for frequent stops.

Duration: 2h 30min

Distance: 150.0 km

Start Time: 08:30

### Photo Stops & Drive Notes Info

Description: Best photo opportunities: lookout at km 35 (sunrise side — best morning light), bridge overlook at km 78 (wide valley panorama), tunnel viewpoint at km 95 (the road curves through a rock arch). Fuel station at km 60 — last one for 80 km. Speed limit drops to 50 km/h through the gorge section.

### Viewpoint Walk Easy Activity

Description: Short walk from the main viewpoint parking area to a panoramic overlook. An easy 20-minute return trail with information boards about the geology and wildlife of the area. The best vantage point for the deep valley below.

Duration: 1h 0min

### Roadside Attraction Easy Activity

Description: Stop at the area's famous roadside attraction — a waterfall, a natural rock formation, a historic bridge, or a quirky local museum. These unexpected stops often become the most talked-about moments of the trip.

Duration: 1h 30min

Price: 10 €

### Picnic Lunch Meal

Description: Pack provisions from the morning town and have a picnic at a scenic rest area. Most viewpoint stops have picnic tables and shade. Much better than eating in the car.

Duration: 45 min

### Afternoon Drive to Inn Transport

Description: Second driving leg through rolling countryside to tonight's accommodation. The road leaves the mountains and enters gentler terrain. Arrive in time to explore the town before dinner.

Duration: 2h 0min

Distance: 120.0 km

### Historic Inn Accommodation

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| Description: | Character inn in a historic building. Creaky floors, thick walls, and a cozy bar. The kind of place with stories in every beam. Parking in the courtyard. Book ahead on weekends. |
| Price: | 95 € |
| Address: | Market Square 3, Second Town |

## Day 3 — National Park Day

### Drive to National Park Transport

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| Description: | Short morning drive to the national park entrance. Arrive before 09:00 for the best parking and to avoid the midday crowds. Buy park passes at the entrance station or pre-purchase online. |
| Duration: | 1h 30min |
| Start Time: | 07:30 |
| Distance: | 80.0 km |

### Main Park Hike ●●○○○ Moderate Activity

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| Description: | The park's signature trail — a loop through the best scenery the area offers. Well-maintained path with interpretive signs. Expect forests, clearings, a waterfall, and a viewpoint at the highest point. Carry water — no refill points on the trail. |
| Duration: | 3h 0min |
| Distance: | 8.0 km |

### Park Rules & Tips Info

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| Description: | Stay on marked trails — fines for off-trail walking. Maintain 100 m distance from large wildlife. No drones without permit. Pack out all waste including fruit peels. The viewpoint at km 5 is the best lunch spot. Dogs on leash only. |

### Park Café Lunch Meal

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| Description: | Lunch at the park's visitor center café. Basic but decent — sandwiches, soups, and hot drinks. Alternatively, bring a picnic from town and eat at the scenic area near the lake. |
| Price: | 15 € |

### Scenic Park Drive ●○○○○ Easy Activity

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| Description: | Afternoon loop drive through the park's scenic road. Multiple pullover points with views, wildlife spotting opportunities, and short nature trails (10-15 min each). The road is one-way in sections — follow the signs. |
| Duration: | 2h 0min |

### Sunset at Viewpoint Free Time

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| Description: | End the park day at the sunset viewpoint near the west exit. Bring warm layers — mountain evenings cool rapidly. One of the most photographed spots in the region. |
| Duration: | 45 min |

### Park-Adjacent Cabin Accommodation

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| Description: | Wooden cabin just outside the park boundary. Basic but atmospheric — wood stove, porch with forest views, stargazing from the deck. Kitchenette available for self-catering. Firewood provided. |
| Price: | 80 € |

## Day 4 — Adventure Detour

### Back Road Drive Transport

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| Description: | Leave the main route for a detour along a winding back road through a valley known for adventure activities. The road is narrow but paved. Pass through tiny hamlets and across a covered wooden bridge. |
| Duration: | 2h 0min |
| Distance: | 80.0 km |
| Start Time: | 08:30 |

### Adventure Activity Moderate Activity

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| Description: | The day's highlight — a guided adventure activity. Options depending on location and season: white water rafting, horseback riding through forest trails, zip-lining across a gorge, or canyoning in a slot canyon. Book in advance as these fill up fast. |
| Duration: | 3h 0min |
| Price: | 65 € |

### Lunch Meal

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| Description: | Lunch at a restaurant near the activity venue. Refuel after the morning's excitement. Most adventure centers have an on-site café or can recommend nearby options. |
| Price: | 15 € |

### Small Town Exploration Easy Activity

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| Description: | Wander through the valley's main town. Visit the local market, craft shops, or a small museum. These off-the-beaten-path towns often have the most authentic character. |
| Duration: | 2h 0min |

### Rustic Lodge Accommodation

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| Description: | Mountain lodge with rustic charm. Stone walls, timber beams, and a fire pit in the garden. The restaurant serves game and local dishes. A memorable overnight in the middle of the trip. |
| Price: | 85 € |
| Check-in: | Invalid Date |

### Lodge Dinner Meal

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| Description: | Dinner at the lodge restaurant. Regional cuisine with an emphasis on local ingredients — game, wild herbs, and mountain cheeses. The lodge owner often joins guests for a drink and shares local stories. |
| Price: | 30 € |

### Midtrip Check Info

Description: Halfway through the trip. Review fuel costs and toll charges so far. Check the vehicle for any issues — tire pressure, wiper fluid, lights. Adjust the remaining itinerary if any planned stops need more or less time based on the group's preferences.

## Day 5 — Cultural Stop

### Drive to Cultural Town Transport

Description: Drive to the region's main cultural town. The route passes through agricultural plains before climbing into hillside vineyards and olive groves. The town appears dramatically on a hilltop as you approach.

Duration: 2h 30min

Distance: 180.0 km

Start Time: 08:00

### Museum or Historic Site Easy Activity

Description: Visit the town's main museum or historic site — a medieval fortress, Roman ruins, or a nationally significant art gallery. Allow at least 2 hours. Audio guides are usually available in multiple languages. Skip-the-line tickets recommended in high season.

Duration: 2h 0min

Price: 18 €

### Regional Specialty Lunch Meal

Description: Lunch at a restaurant known for the region's signature dish. Ask the waiter for the most traditional preparation — avoid the tourist-adapted versions. A glass of local wine completes the cultural immersion.

Price: 25 €

### Town Walking Tour Easy Activity

Description: Self-guided walking tour through the old quarter. Follow the tourist office map through narrow cobblestone streets, past historical buildings, and to the best viewpoints. End at the main church or cathedral — usually the architectural highlight.

Duration: 2h 0min

### Boutique Hotel Accommodation

Description: Small boutique hotel in the historic center. Individually decorated rooms in a restored old building. Rooftop terrace with town views. Underground parking available — ask for the code.

Price: 110 €

Address: Old Town, Cathedral Square 7

### Dinner Meal

Description: Dinner in the old town. The narrow streets come alive in the evening with restaurant terraces, street musicians, and a relaxed atmosphere. A glass of the local dessert wine makes a perfect nightcap.

Price: 30 €

# Day 6 — Lake & Mountains

## Drive to Lake Area

Transport

Description: Leave the cultural town and drive toward the mountains and a large glacial lake. The road climbs through forest to a dramatic reveal as the lake appears below — stop at the official viewpoint for the first glimpse.

Duration: 2h 0min

Distance: 130.0 km

Start Time: 08:30

## Lake Activity

Easy · Activity

Description: Enjoy the lake — swimming from the beach, renting a boat or kayak, or simply walking along the shore path. The water is clean and refreshing. Beach areas have basic facilities — changing rooms and a small café.

Duration: 2h 0min

## Lakeside Lunch

Meal

Description: Lunch at a lakeside restaurant with views across the water to the mountains. Fresh local fish if available. The terrace is the best seat in the house — arrive before 12:30 to get a table.

Price: 22 €

## Mountain Viewpoint Drive

Easy · Activity

Description: Afternoon drive up a mountain road to a high-altitude viewpoint. The road is paved but steep and winding. Spectacular views from the top over the lake and surrounding peaks. A short walk from the car park leads to the best vantage point.

Duration: 2h 0min

## Campsite or Glamping

Accommodation

Description: Spend the final night under the stars. A well-equipped campsite with tent pitches, hot showers, and a communal kitchen. Glamping option available — pre-erected tents with beds. The campfire circle is the social hub in the evening.

Price: 40 €

## Campfire Dinner

Meal

Description: Cook dinner over the campfire or on a camp stove. Barbecue supplies from the lake town supermarket. The campsite shop sells basic provisions and firewood. Eat under the stars — a fitting final evening for a road trip.

Price: 15 €

## Stargazing

Free Time

Description: The lake area has minimal light pollution — ideal for stargazing. Bring a blanket, lie on the grass, and look up. Use a stargazing app to identify constellations. A quiet end to the penultimate day.

# Day 7 — Return Journey

## Morning Walk

Easy · Activity

Description: Short morning walk along the lakeshore or through the campsite's nature trail. Breathe in the mountain air one last time. Pack up camp and load the car.

Duration: 1h 0min

Start Time: 07:30

## Breakfast

Meal

Description: Breakfast at the campsite or at a café in the lake town. Fill up on fuel (both human and automotive) for the final drive.

## Return Drive

Transport

Description: Final driving leg back to the starting point. The fastest route via the highway takes about 4 hours. Consider one last scenic detour if time allows — there's always one more view to see.

Duration: 4h 0min

Distance: 300.0 km

## Road Trip Wrap-Up

Info

Description: Trip complete — approximately 1,200 km driven over 7 days. Compile total expenses: fuel, tolls, parking, accommodation, meals, activities. Check the vehicle for any damage or issues before returning a rental or parking at home. Upload the best photos to a shared album.

## What's Included

Info

Description: Six nights in hotels, inns and lodges with parking, all breakfasts and four dinners, a day-by-day route plan with the scenic alternatives and the photo stops marked, national park entry for the day-three visit, and offline maps for the remote stretches.

## What's Not Included

Info

Description: The vehicle and fuel, tolls and vignettes, lunches, the remaining dinners, entry fees other than the national park, parking in restricted centres, and gratuities. Fuel over 1,240 km is the single largest excluded cost and worth estimating for the client rather than leaving to them.

## Insurance & Documents

Info

Description: A valid licence, plus an International Driving Permit if your licence is issued outside the region. Bring the vehicle registration and insurance papers, and if the car is rented, carry the rental agreement in the glovebox rather than in a bag. Several stretches on this route are camera-enforced and one historic centre is a restricted zone.