

**Short tour description/route characteristics:** From Merano, the route initially leads along a wide, well-developed road to Hafling and Mölten. The condition of the road encourages a speedy driving style. Those who are not in such a hurry can enjoy the very beautiful views down into the valley of the Adige. In Mölten the small road branches off via Jenesien to Bozen. At first it goes uphill on a narrow asphalt strip through light woodland. After the apex, the road drops off very steeply in places. On the last part Bozen lies at the feet of the mountain. In Bolzano the tour turns off into the Sarentino Valley and then, after the 19 tunnels (!), turns right and leads up to Ritten and Klobenstein. Although this road is quite narrow, it is very tempting to drive very fast! From Klobenstein the tour continues north. High above the Eisacktal valley, the road first leads in Lengmoos directly past the earth pyramids of Ritten. The further course via Barbiano and Villandro offers wonderful views into the Eisack valley and the mountains of the Dolomites (Sciliar, Sassolungo and others). In Chiusa the path leads briefly north towards the Brenner Pass and then turns right into the Villnöss Valley and further on towards the Würzjoch. The following path towards Brixen is simply a pleasure to ride on a motorbike (especially from St. Andrä). From Brixen to Sterzing the tour follows the main road towards Brenner. Before Sterzing the last highlight of the tour is the Jaufenpass. Uphill the route is quite well developed, downhill the route is partly narrow and caution is advised against oncoming traffic. From St. Leonhard the tour then returns to Meran.

