



Starting off from the AirBNB in Budapest



Looking over Budapest to the Danube



The Parliament Building on the Danube

Leaving the triple bike home for the first time, this trip found us touring through Hungary on our new Bike Friday folding bikes. The roads were generally rough, but almost no roadside trash or broken glass. The heat was impressive, pegged in the 90's for most of the trip, which might have put a damper on our feelings. Thank goodness for all of the swimming pools!

We started in Budapest, traveled south-west along the north shore of Lake Balaton, headed north-west through Sumeg, Savar, Szombathely, Sopron, then east to Pannonhalma, and followed the Danube through Esztergom, Visegrad and finally to Szentendre before returning to Budapest.



A heroic pose on Castle Hill in Budapest



No photos allowed at Hospital in the Rock Museum



Sculpture garden in Balatonfuzo



After a dip in Lake Balaton



Graffiti at a bicycle underpass



Ceiling fresco and ornate altar at the Abbey Church in Tihany



A military vehicle park along Lake Balaton



Cemeteries were our go-to spot for water



Living and stone statues in Tihany



Lots of water slides in Hungary



There is a well traveled bike path around Lake Balaton



Paddling the underground river and 3D exhibits at the Lake Cave of Tapolca



Empty campground at Zalaszanto



Our home away from home



Hilltop castle in Sumeg



Locking the bikes at Sumeg Castle



Thank goodness for all the pools



Our 14th bicycle trip together, and still smiling



Dominick showing some upper body muscle



Hot, sunny days and sunny flowers



Reading in the shade at Thermal Camping Sarvar



Billboard for upcoming bike race



Walking through the Iseum Savariense Museum at a re-built temple to Isis in Szombathely



Huge fields of poppies with seed pods ripe for the picking



Susan needed a new outfit to avoid further sun poisoning to her arms and legs. She rocked her new look.



Most country roads were quiet, but in rough shape



A shady lunch with some quiet neighbors



We had to ferry across the Danube several times



Our neat site at Thermal Camping near Buk



Who doesn't like to stand in a field of sunflowers?



The basilica and cloister at the Archabbey in Pannonhalma has some highly ornamental detailing

360,000 books at the Pannonhalma Archabbey library



Pannonhalma Archabbey has a working farm growing dozens of herbs and lavender for soaps and oils



Dominick making it look easy



This paved road turned into a narrow foot path



Dominick has no troubles with his ego



Still finding shade for lunch



Upper and lower fortification castles in Visegrad



Aerial map at the Duna Muzeum



The Duna Muzeum told the history of the Danube River



The upper castle in Visegrad



From the top of the upper castle in Visegrad



Exhibit showing hydrologic controls at Duna Muzeum



Holding a trained hawk at Visegrad castle



The drawbridge at the upper Visegrad castle



Dancing with mannequins at Visegrad castle



One last lunch along the Danube bike path



View of Budapest from the Chain Bridge across the Danube



Crossing the Chain Bridge



The cute town of Szentendre



Heroic sculptures at Heroes' Square in Budapest



Buying lunch at Central Market Hall in Budapest



It's always fun to take trams



Automated art at Magyar Kepzomuveszet Art Museum