

I was reluctant about writing our story because as English is not my language, it's a hard work for me to do it. But on the other hand, these two cycling trips we've done were so powerful, important and memorable in our lives that I decided to do it! We are four friends, happy in our marriage, with adult children, that love cycling! We usually cycle in the weekends here, in our city. One day one of us had the terrific idea to go cycling in Provence! I started to look in the internet for a company that could help us, that's how I found Discovery France. Last year in September we went to our first cycling trip in Provence. There are no words to describe the trip! We had such a good time, lucky with the weather, always sunny. It's hard to say only one memorable experience, because we had many powerful and meaningful experiences! When we came back to Brazil we started planning the next one. So, this year we decided to do something completely different. We went to Ireland! The scenery, the landscape, brought us to ease! The nature there is so powerful that every kilometer took our breath away! Again, we were lucky with the weather. We know that it rains a lot over there but this summer it didn't. What I can say is that these trips have changes us in many ways! First, is a challenge, a very good one, to be able to cycle about 70 kilometers a day. We are not that young anymore! Second is something that give us an enormous pleasure. We have always travelled a lot in our lives but I can assure you that these cycle trips are something unique in our lives! Now, we are already planning our next trip, to Tuscan next year. And we decided that the cycling trips are already part of our lives. Is something so meaningful for all of us that once a year we're going to escape and cycle somewhere in this world!

-Leonora Capelli