



Surf Celebs and Sunshine

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FULL ITINERARY

DAY 1

Arrive at San Francisco International Airport, where you will be picked up by Back Up team and taken to hotel by bus. Rest and relax, early to bed if you want to get used to the time difference.

DAY 2

A day of rest and a chance to take in the cosmopolitan, San Francisco as well as a necessary bike service session and Q&A with the Back Up team.

DAY 3 San Francisco – Santa Cruz (approx 66 miles)

We start this glorious ride by making our way out of San Francisco West towards the Pacific and through Golden Gate park to Half Moon Bay, where the cycling begins in earnest on coastal and inland roads with plenty of beaches and surfing to see before arriving in Santa Cruz.

DAY 4 Santa Cruz – Monterey (approx 62 miles)

Leave Santa Cruz and head inland through agricultural artichoke farmland finishing in Monterey, home to the world famous Aquarium and lots of funky shops.

DAY 5 Monterey – Big Sur (approx 40 miles)

We cycle out of Monterey around the 17 Mile Drive, past Pebble Beach and through Carmel Highlands, before entering the classic scenery of The Big Sur on Route 1. So begins the visual feast of The Big Sur. The important thing is look at the scenery, while keeping your eyes on the road! Finish at The Big Sur Lodge with half a day to spare to visit the Redwood Forest or go down to some of the most impressive Pacific beaches in California.

DAY 6 Monterey – San Simeon (approx 75 miles)

Most of the day is spent continuing along the winding cliff roads that make up The Big Sur, before dropping down to sea level near Hearst Castle and finishing at a small roadside village called San Simeon.

DAY 7 San Simeon – Santa Maria (approx 72 miles)

Today you will experience much more of the hinterland as we cycle inland along various roads through an agricultural area where the temperatures may well rise into the early 90's before finishing at Santa Maria.

DAY 8 Santa Maria – Santa Barbara (approx 76 miles)

We cycle on some fairly busy roads past various US Airforce bases and over large rolling hills for the majority of the day, before descending into Santa Barbara back on the coast.

DAY 9 Santa Barbara – Santa Paula (approx 69 miles)

Cycle out through the suburbs of wealthy Santa Barbara and up into the Santa Ynez mountains past Lake Casitas and down to Santa Paula, where we stop for the night and prepare for the final day cycling.

DAY 10 Santa Paula – Santa Monica (approx 60 miles)

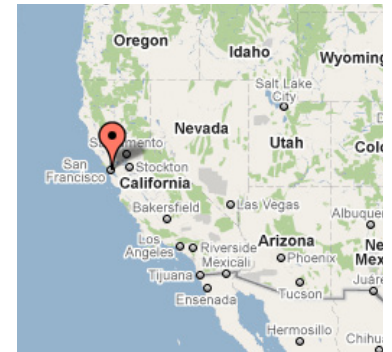
Cycle out through the flat lands surrounding Santa Paula and back onto the coast and Route 1, where we follow the road through Malibu, where you can try and glimpse the houses of the rich and famous, while keeping an eye on the quite busy road. Finally, we cycle into Santa Monica, where the ride ends. The evening sees a big group get together to go out for a much-needed blow out meal and congratulations from the Back Up team.

DAY 11

Well deserved rest day where the Back Up will help pack up bikes and prepare the team for their journey home. Plenty of time will be left to join tours of Hollywood and other parts of LA.

DAY 12

Bus to airport and flight home.



Date

Sat 1 – Wed 12 May 2010
Mon 18 – Sat 29 October 2010

Duration

8 days riding

Distance

850km (528 miles)

Costs

£2250 including flights and visas

Difficulty

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106km (66 miles)

Maximum daily distance

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What's included

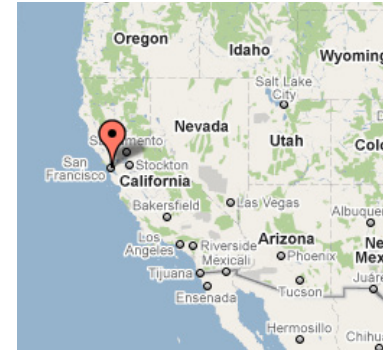
International flight
Transfers
All meals except supper
Accommodation
Full on the road support
Maps and GPS support

What's not included

Breakfast and evening meals

- Any person wishing to fly at a different time or from another airport/country does so at their own additional expense, including transfers. Greenrock can however make the arrangements for them.
- All prices are subject to change due to fluctuations in the exchange rate, seasonal variations and supplier tariff revisions.
- All bookings and travel arrangements are subject to Greenrock Limited standard terms and conditions.
- All travellers must carry full personal medical and travel insurance before leaving for any trip.
- All cyclists must bring their own bike.
- Greenrock withholds the right to change the route based on the weather or any other changeable factors.
- Single room rates available on request.

Min Cyclists – 10 **Max Cyclists** - 30



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