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Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1 - Fly into Ft St John, transfer to Dawson Creek

We will gather in Dawson Creek in late afternoon, where you will have a chance to get your bike ready, meet your fellow riders and review the adventure to come.

Relax: Free time to relax until dinner

Eat: Dinner

Sleep: Stonebridge Hotel

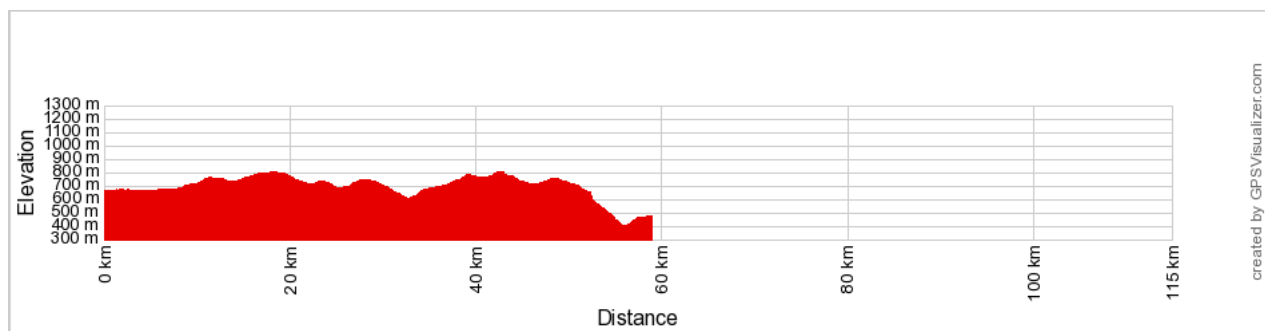
Day 2 - Cycle Mile Zero to Kiskatinaw Bridge, shuttle to Pink Mountain

After the mandatory photos at Milepost Zero, we are off up the notorious Al-Can built in a short 9 months during World War 2. Our route starts on a more modern stretch, with the prerequisite traffic, but soon we turn off on an original stretch of the highway to curved wooden Kiskatinaw Bridge. Our ride today winds down in small Taylor, sitting in the deep Peace River Valley. From here we will shuttle to Pink Mountain (1 and a half hours), avoiding the highway's biggest city, Ft St John, and the heavy traffic from the oilfields.

Ride: 35 mi, Land: hilly

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sleep: Buffalo Inn



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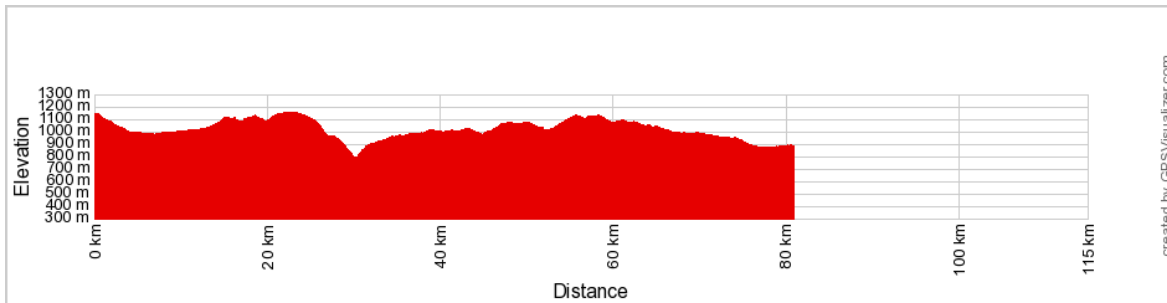
Day 3 - Wilderness cycling, shuttle to Ft Nelson

After breakfast we head out for a fifty mile spin through the quiet, tree covered landscapes of British Columbia. The traffic is light, the air clear, the hills rolling and deep green. We will pass the locations of some of the old notorious sections of the highway, such as Suicide Hill and the Drunken Forest. The highway of today no longer follows those rough stretches, so we will just enjoy a bit of verbal history. Finish our leg with a shuttle back into civilization in Ft Nelson. (1 & half hours).

Ride: 50 mi, Land: hilly

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch

Sleep: Lakeview Hotel



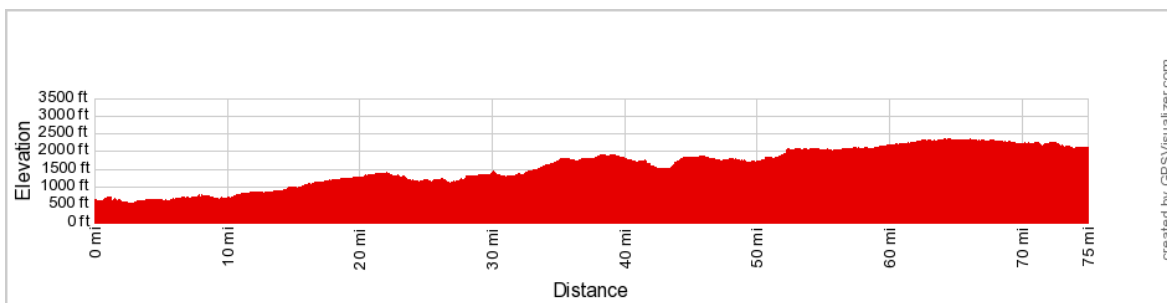
Day 4 - Cross Steamboat Mountain, Tetsa River Ranch

One of the toughest days of cycling on the tour, takes you up and over Steamboat Mountain to Tetsa River Ranch, the Cinnamon Bun Center of the Galactic Cluster (yes they are that good). The views from high a top Steamboat are awe inspiring, a fitting reward for the long gradual ascent. And of course an enjoyable winding descent to Tetsa River Ranch, a long time working ranch, whose kitchen puts out great homemade breads and artisan meats, which we will enjoy at our dinner BBQ.

Ride: 54 mi, Land: mountainous

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sleep: Tetsa River Ranch



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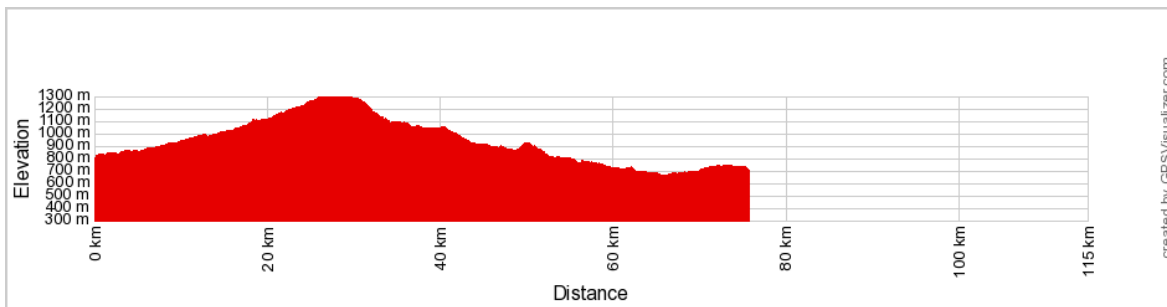
Day 5 - Cycle Summit Lake to Toad River Lodge

Today we cross the highest point on original the Al-Can Highway, Summit Lake. Because you didn't descend as much as you climbed yesterday, our uphill is shorter today through Stone Mountain Provincial Park. Relax a bit at Summit Lake, before descending to Toad River, a small community tucked away in bright green poplar forests. Tonight we sleep in lakefront cottages at Toad River Lodge renowned for its hat collection, nailed to the ceiling of the restaurant (more than 10,000 hats, yes we mean ten thousand).

Ride: 48 mi, Land: mountainous

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch

Sleep: Toad River Lodge



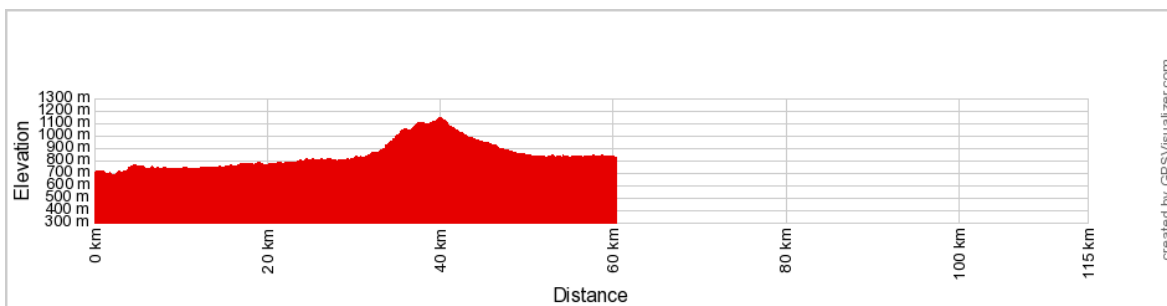
Day 6 - Muncho Lake Provincial Park, Northern Rockies Lodge

One last day in the mountains, cycling from Toad River to beautiful Muncho Lake Provincial Park. For the last couple of days the Alaska Highway followed much of the original winding route and today stays true to form. The final miles follow right along the lake shore (literally inches away), a dramatic landscape to finish the day. The short 36 miles of today's ride leaves ample time to relax on the lake.

Ride: 36 mi, Land: mountainous

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch

Sleep: Northern Rockies Lodge



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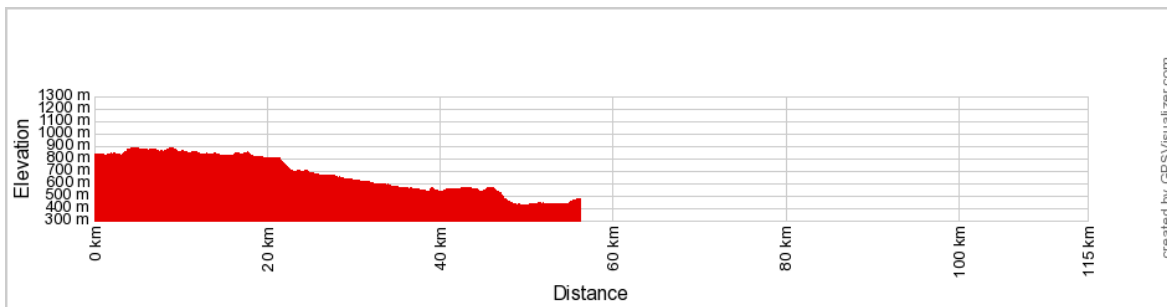
Day 7 - Liard Hot Springs

Relaxation beckons us today, with a short morning ride to Liard Hot Springs in store. This natural hot spring surrounded by lush forests, ferns & orchids is a rather unique environment along the highway and a favorite stopping off point since the highway was first surveyed. Keep your eyes peeled for Woods Bison and Black Bears which are frequently seen along the roadsides here.

Ride: 36 mi, Land: mountainous

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sleep: Liard Hot Springs Lodge



Day 8 - Watson Lake signpost forest and free day

The bikes get the day off today, as we shuttle to Watson Lake, another small reminder of civilization. You have the day free to explore Watson lake, perhaps visit the sign post forest with its thousands of city signs, or perhaps the Northern Light Theatre & Space Museum.

Relax: A free day to explore

Eat: Breakfast

Sleep: Bighorn Hotel

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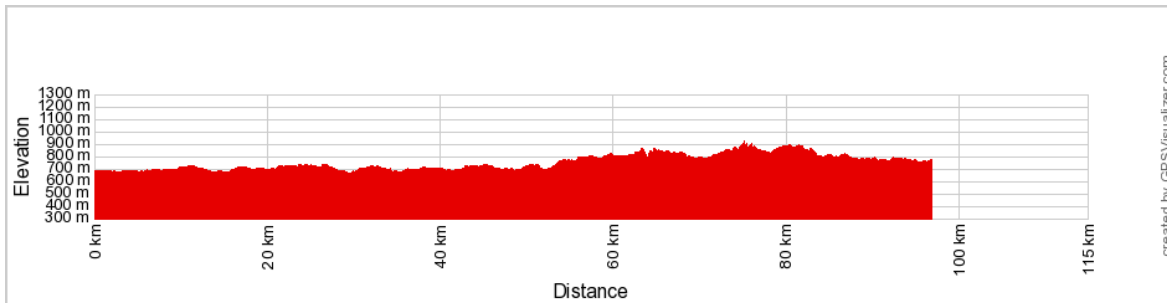
Day 9 - Teslin Lake, Johnson Crossing

After breakfast we will take shuttle to Teslin Lake, home of the Tl'it'it Nation, visit the George Johnson Museum before setting out on our bikes for the ride to Jake's Corner. Along the way we will explore a bit of the history of the Canol Road and stop in Johnsons Crossing for their homemade soups, sandwiches and delicious baked goods. The ride winds down at Jake's Corner, from where we will shuttle into Whitehorse the capitol of the Yukon Territory.

Ride: 54 mi, Land: mountainous

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch

Sleep: Gold Rush Inn



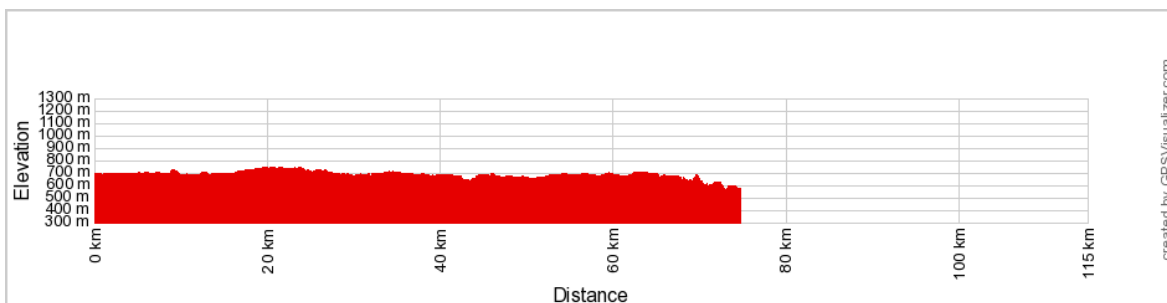
Day 10 - Cycling to the St Elias Range

We will shuttle out of town to the tiny village of Champagne, a First Nation settlement, to avoid the heavier traffic coming into the city. As you pedal down the Alaska Highway, the snow covered peaks of the St Elias Range start popping into view as you crest each small hill. Our goal for tonight is the small outdoor town of Haines Junction, sitting at the foot of this majestic mountain range, home to Canada's tallest peaks. Perhaps a rendezvous at Mile 1016 Pub for some local craft beers from the Yukon.

Ride: 47 mi, Land: hilly

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch

Sleep: Alcan Motor Inn



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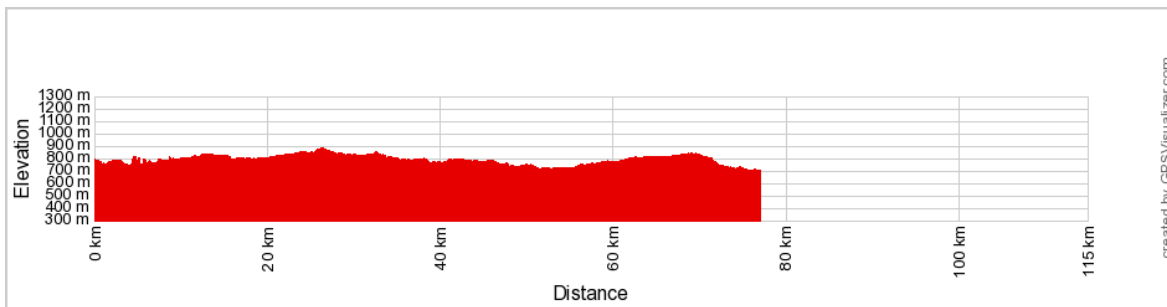
Day 11 - Kluane Lake, Destruction Bay

Today we are enroute to the turquoise waters of Kluane lake which runs along the foothills of the St Elias Mountains. Kluane Lake which formed due to a change in the river's flow caused by a glacier, has once again seen its water source reverse, as that glacier receded. We will relax tonight in the town of Destruction Bay overlooking the lake.

Ride: 66 mi, Land: hilly

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch

Sleep: Talbot Arm Motel



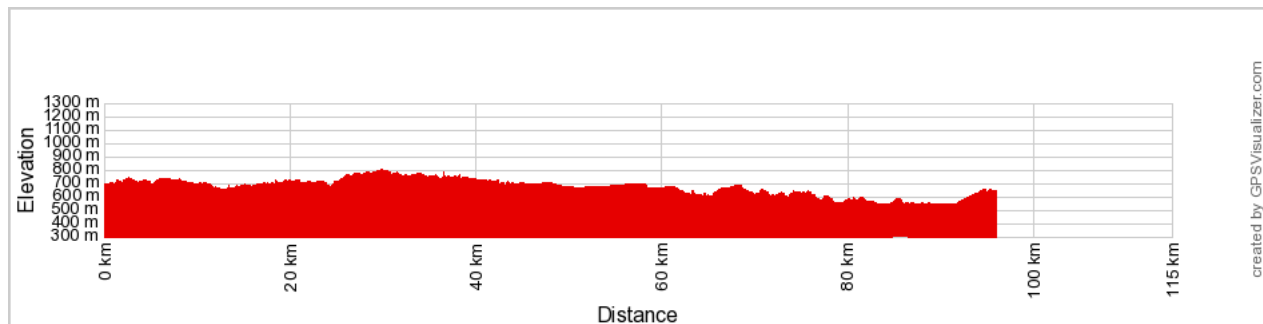
Day 12 - White River / Discovery Yukon

You will continue your ride along the Kluane Lake today, pedaling first to Burwash Landing, where we will visit their beautifully designed natural history museum and the historic parish church. The planned ride is 50 miles of beautiful wilderness, but folks feeling like they want more can opt to ride all the way to White River, our stop for the night at 84 miles. Perhaps try some of Discovery Yukon's unique salmon lasagna tonight.

Ride: 50 mi, Land: small hills

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sleep: Discovery Yukon



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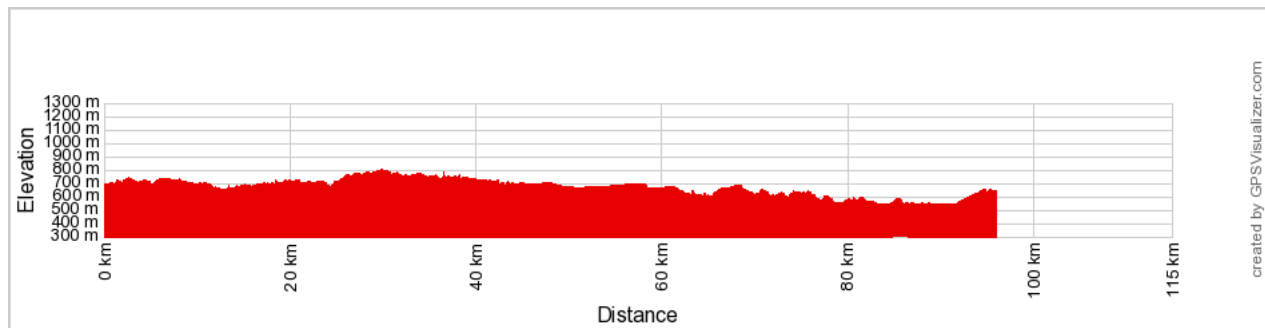
Day 13 - Alaska awaits!

Your final day in Canada today, as you pedal across the border into Alaska. But first you will visit Beaver Creek, Canada's western most town, with its unique church built from re-purposed military quonset huts. Today's ride winds down at the Tetlin Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center about 30 miles past the border. After time to discover nature, we will shuttle into Tok for the night.

Ride: 60 mi, Land: small hills

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sleep: Burnt Paw Cabins



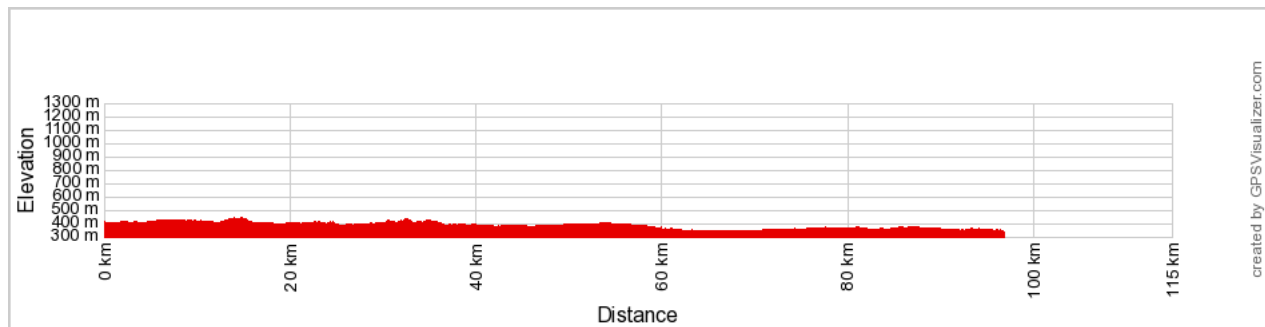
Day 14 - End of the Road, Mile 1422

The upper end of the Al-Can, milepost 1422 approaches. If the group is ambitious, we can pedal the entire 100 miles to the finish, otherwise we will shuttle out to diminutive Dot Lake Village and bike the final 63 miles of the famed Al-Can Highway. A round of congratulations, mandatory photos at Milepost 1422 and an awesome final dinner with great Alaskan craft beers finishes your taste of the Al-Can. We will spend the night in Delta Junction.

Ride: 61 mi, Land: small hills

Eat: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sleep: Kellys Alaska Country Inn





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Day 15 - Depart

After breakfast, we shuttle back towards Fairbanks Airport, but along the way we will visit Rika's Roadhouse, a restored historic roadhouses and the Knotty Shop with its great homemade ice cream. Then fond farewells at Fairbanks Airport bidding everyone a safe flight home.

Travel: Shuttle to airport

Eat: Breakfast

* Why are some route profiles cut off? Our profiles are all based on the same vertical and horizontal scale, so shorter days don't fill the graphic image. We feel this lets you compare days to each other better.

Scheduled Dates You Can Join:

You can find the most up to date information on available departures and book your spots on the tour's webpage linked below. Lets Travel!

<https://pedalers.travel/alaska-highway-bicycle-tour.htm>

Private Dates For Your Gang:

Any Pedalers tour can be made private at your request. If you don't see the date you want, we'll create one for you. A tip from our local experts, this tour is best enjoyed May through September. Please note we have only a small crew based in Alaska, so private dates should be planned well in advance to assure someone is available to lead your trip.



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Our passionate and diverse team of local experts will guide you through their homeland, sharing intimate knowledge and hidden wonders. They are not just guides but also skilled bike mechanics, ensuring a comfortable and enjoyable ride. Unlike other tour companies, Pedalers' local crew brings an insider's perspective to the table. You'll be pampered by a friendly team, equipped with the skills to fix anything. A sweep rider and sag wagon provide support, and your baggage travels comfortably with you. Pedalers treats you like family, making your journey unforgettable.

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Lodging:

Lodges, Guest Ranches, Hotels

What's Included:

- 14 nights in motels (double occupancy)
- Most meals (breakfast, lunch & dinner) except as noted in itinerary
- Service of Team Pedalers Guide(s)
- Full Van Support
- Shuttle from Ft St John Airport to Dawson Creek
- Shuttle to Fairbanks Airport
- Morning Route Notes



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Meeting & Flights:

Meet at the Ft St John Airport on Day 1

Fly into Ft St John (YXJ) before 2 pm on Day 1

Fly out of Fairbanks (FAI) after 5 pmm on Day 15

Route Conditions:

The entire ride is on paved roads, with light to moderate traffic. Pavement is a bit course and suitable for touring, sport road and also performance road bikes with wider tires (25 or wider). The terrain is hilly, with only two big alpine style climbs.

Passport, Visa and Travel Documents:

Passports are required for all guests. Citizens of the USA and Canada do not need any additional documents. Citizens of other countries should check with the nearest USA and Canada Embassy to see if you can enter with an ESTA (USA portion) or ETA (Canada portion) or require a visa. We strongly recommend looking into this well in advance of your tour, as visa processing times can sometimes be quite long. To locate the nearest US Embassy visit: <https://www.usembassy.gov/> or Canadian Embassy visit: <https://travel.gc.ca/assistance/embassies-consulates/>.