

THE Epic Western US Motorcycle Tour

I don't know how many more long rides I will be able to go on. Before I can't go anymore. So, I have planned this tour with that in mind.

This ride will be about 25 days!

It will include, bucket list, great roads in Arizona, California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, South Dakota, Colorado, and Utah.

Butler Maps is the primary route source.

The roads and locations will include, Death Valley, Yosemite NP, about 1,000 miles of The Pacific Coast Hiway, California-Oregon-Washington. The Avenue of the Giants Redwoods in CA. The farthest North West point in the US, Olympic National Park, Along the Columbia River with something like 40 waterfalls, Lolo Pass, Going to the Sun Road, Bear Tooth Pass, Chief Joseph Hiway. A couple days around Sturgis SD and the Black Hills, great roads. The Black Canyon of the Gunnison in CO, Gateway CO, The Million \$ Hiway in CO, Rte. 12 in Utah (and several other great roads in Utah.

There are no days over 400 miles. Total hours in the saddle in a day was the primary consideration, not total miles.

There will be a lot of scenic stops. We will make frequent stops, drain & fill, and just to walk around! The routing avoids Interstates/Freeways, as much as practical.

Hotels/motels were all chosen with an eye toward price, but all with restaurants within easy walking distance.

Most hotels offer some sort of breakfast, lunch will be whatever/wherever. Dinner is, at least somewhat, planned every day.

I am planning on having to do laundry a time or 2.

This may seem obvious, but Hydration is crucial. There will be days when it gets hot.

I will carry enough electrolyte packets for 2 or 3 a day. You can buy "Gatorade" in most convenience stores/gas stations. Just plain water isn't enough.

I'll do turn by turn, daily route sheets in big print for tank bags. Nav can fail!

So, as the man said: Here We Go!

Day 1,

June

Early Start!

Prescott to Shoshone CA (Death Valley NP)

Rte. 89 N to Ash Fork	50
I-40 W to Crookton Exit	7
Rte. 66 W to Kingman	110
I-40 W to Rte. 93 and Rte. 68 W	10
Rte. 68 W to Laughlin NV	30
Rte. 163 W to US 95 N	20
US 95 N to Searchlight NV	20
Rte. 164 W thru Nipton to I-15 S	32
I-15 S to Baker Rte. 127 N	40
Rte. 127 N to Shoshone CA	56

Total Miles 376

Shoshone Inn

Restaurant across the St.

113 Old Hiway 127

Or Pahrump if needed +30 mi

Shoshone CA

760-852-4224

Day 2,

June

Very Early Start! Death Valley is HOT!!!

Thru Death Valley NP, US 395 N to Lee Vining CA

Rte. 127 N to D V NP entrance	1
Thru D V NP to Furnace Creek	100
Rte. 190 thru D V NP	90
Rte. 136 W to Lone Pine CA	20
US 395 N to Bishop CA	60
US 395 N to Lee Vining CA	65
Total Miles	335

Murphey's Motel	\$190.	Lakeview Lodge	\$200.
51493 Hwy 395		51285 Hwy 395	
Lee Vining CA		Lee Vining CA	
760-647-6316		760-647-6543	

Day 3,

June

From Lee Vining CA thru Yosemite N P, lots of stops!

Reservations are required to get into the park!

Rte. 120 W into Yosemite then Buck Meadows CA 85

Rte. 120 W thru Groveland CA to Rte. 49 N 16

Rte. 49 N thru Sonora CA to Jackson CA 60

Rte. 88 W to Rte. 88/12 W, Rte. 12 W to CA 19 S

Into Lodi CA 35

Total Miles 196

Days Inn & Suites by Wyndham \$85.

710 S. Cherokee Ln

Lodi

209-369-8484

Motel 6 Lodi \$100.

1140 S. Cherokee Ln

Lodi

209-334-6422

Day 4,

June

To the Coast!

Rte. 12 W to Fairfield CA	50
Rte. 12 W thru Sonoma to Santa Rosa	70
Rte. 12 (Bodega Hwy) W to Bodega Bay	25
Rte. 1 N to Gualala CA	50
Rte. 1 N to Ft. Bragg CA	60
Total Miles	255

Seabird Lodge \$110.

191 South St.

Ft Bragg CA

707-964-8000

Day 5,

June

Ft Bragg CA to Crescent City CA

Redwoods! Ave. of the Giants!

Rte. 1 N to Leggett CA	50
US 101 N thru Garberville CA to Exit #36/Weott	45
Ave of the Giants	31
US 101 N to Fortuna CA	15
US 101 N to Eureka CA	17
US 101 N to Crescent City CA	75
Total Miles	233

Bayview Inn \$100.

310 US Hwy 101 S.

Crescent City CA

707-465-2050

Schmidt's House of Jambalaya

110 Anchor Way

Crescent City CA close @7:00

707-465-1465

Day 6,

June/July

Crescent City CA to Newport OR

US 101 N to Brookings OR	25
US 101 N to port Orford OR	65
US 101 N to Coos Bay OR	50
US 101 N to Reedsport OR	30
US 101 N to Newport OR	70
Total Miles	240

****Travelodge by Wyndham \$110.**

1311 North Coast Hwy

Newport OR

541-265-8516

Rodeway Inn \$90.

206 North Cost Hwy

Newport OR

541-265-5321

Day 7,

June/July

From Newport OR to Aberdeen WA

US 101 N to Neskowin OR	40
US 101 N 3 Mi to left turn onto Rte. 871 N/W	
Rte. 871 N to Cape Meares State Park	26
Rte. 871/Rte. 6 E to Tillamook OR US 101 N	8
US 101 N to Astoria OR	65
US 101 N on the coast, to Raymond WA	55
Rte. 105 W loop to Aberdeen WA	50
Total Miles	244

****Olympic Inn & Suites**

616 W. Heron St.

Aberdeen WA

360-533-4200

\$95.

Best Western Plus Aber.

701 E. Heron St.

Aberdeen WA

360-537-7460

\$150.

Day 8,

June/July

From Aberdeen WA to Shelton WA

US 101 N to Forks WA	110
US 101 N to Rte. 113 N	11
Rte. 113 N to Rte. 112 W to Neah Bay	10
Rte. 112 W to Neah Bay - Most Western Point	20
Rte. 112 E to Port Angeles WA	70
US 101 E & S to Shelton WA	100
Total Miles	321

**Shelton Inn \$120.	Super 8 by Wyndom \$140
628 W. Railroad Ave.	2943 Northview Cir
Shelton	Shelton
360-426-4468	360-358-3793

Day 9,

June/July

Shelton WA to Umatilla/Hermiston WA

US 101 S to I-5 S & Olympia WA	15
I-5 S to Kelso WA	70
I-5 S to then I-205 S to Rte. 14 E	45
Rte. 14 E to Stevenson WA	45
Rte. 14 E to Umatilla/Hermiston WA	145
Total Miles	320

****Econolodge Umatilla \$100.**

1481 6th St.

Umatilla OR

541-394-5106

Rodeway Inn \$70.

425 N. 1st St.

Hermiston OR

541-567-5583

Day 10,

June/July

Umatilla/Hermiston WA to Kamiah ID

US 730 E or Rte. 207 N/E to US 12 E	30
US 12 E to Walla Walla WA	30
US 12 E to Lewiston ID	105
US 12 E to Orofino ID	45
US 12 E to Kamiah ID	25
Total Miles	235

Clearwater 12 Motel \$125.

108 E. 3rd St. Hwy 12

Kamiah

208-935-2671

Day 11,

July

Kamiah ID to West Glacier

LOLO PASS!

US 12 E to Kooskia ID	10
US 12 E to Lolo MT – Lolo Pass!	135
US 93 N to Polson MT	80
US 93 N to Kalispell MT	50
US 2 N thru Columbia Falls MT to West Glacier MT	30
Total Miles	305

Belton Chalet \$250.

12575 US 2

West Glacier MT

844-868-7474

Pretty much no other choice!

Day 12,

July

GOING TO THE SUN ROAD! Reservation “tickets”!

West Glacier MT to Great Falls MT

Going to the Sun Rd. to St Mary MT	50
US 89 S to Browning MT	45
US 89 S to Choteau MT	70
US 89 S to Great Falls MT	55
Total Miles	220

Hotel Arvon \$175.

118 1st Ave. S.

Great Falls MT

406-952-1101

Covered Parking, Bar & Restaurant on site!

Day 13,

July

Great Falls MT to Red Lodge MT

US 89 S to White Sulphur Springs MT 100

US 89 S to Livingston MT 75

I-90 E to Columbus MT Rte. 78 S 75

Rte. 78 S to Red Lodge MT 50

Total Miles 300

Red Lodge Inn \$190.

811 S. Broadway Ave.

Red Lodge MT

406-446-2030

Day 14,

July

Red Lodge MT to Sheridan WY

BEARTOOTH PASS – CHIEF JOSEPH HIWAY!!

US 212 S Beartooth Scenic Hiway to Rte. 296 S/E	70
Rte. 296 S/E Chief Joseph Hiway to Rte. 120	43
Rte. 120 S to Cody WY	17
US 14 (16 and 20) E to Greybull WY	55
US 14 E & N to Burgess Junction WY	50
US 14 E to Ranchester WY & I-90 E	25
I-90 E to Sheridan WY	15
Total Miles	275

Best Western Sheridan Center \$160.

612 N. Main St.

Sheridan WY

657-749-6853

Day 15,

July

Sheridan WY to Sturgis SD

I-90 E (S) to Buffalo WY	35
I-90 E to Gillette WY	70
I-90 E to Moorcroft WY	30
US 16 E (S) to Newcastle WY	50
US 85 to Deadwood SD	55

Total Miles 240

Days 16 & 17 Around The Black Hills/Sturgis

Deadwood to Sturgis 15 (T-Shirt!)

Deadwood to Mt Rushmore 50

Deadwood to Rapid City SD 40

**Badlands loop from Rapid City SD, includes Wall
about 100**

Custer State Park

Spearfish Canyon Hwy (US14)

Needles Hiway Rte. 87 S of Mt Rushmore

Day 18,

July

Deadwood to Laramie WY

From Deadwood SD to Custer SD	55
From Custer SD US 16 W to Newcastle WY	40
US 85 S to Lusk WY	80
US 20/US 18 W to Orin Junction WY	45
I-25 S to Exit # 73 Rte. 34 S/W	60
Rte. 34 S/W to US 30/US 287 S	52
US 30/US 287 S to Laramie WY	20
Total Miles	352

Travel Inn \$110.

262 N. 3rd St.

Laramie WY

307-745-4853

Day 19,

July

Laramie WY to Gunnison CO

Rte. 230 W/S to Rte. 127 in CO	40
Rte. 127 S to Rte. 125 S to Walden CO	25
Rte. 14 S to US 40 E to Kremmling	25
Rte. 9 S to Silverthorne CO	40
I-70 W thru Vail to US 24 S/E to	35
US 24 S/E to Leadville CO	35
US 24 S/E to US 285 S	40
US 285 S to US 50 W	20
US 50 W to Gunnison CO	60
Total Miles	320

Sherpa Western Inn \$150.

403 E Tomichi Ave.

Gunnison CO

970-452-9920

Day 20

July

Gunnison CO to Dove Creek CO

US 50 W to Sapinero CO Rte. 92 W	20
Rte. 92 W then N to Hotchkiss CO	50
Rte. 92 W to Delta CO	20
US 50 W to Whitewater Rte. 141 W	30
Rte. 141 W/S to Gateway CO	45
Rte. 141 S!!! to Naturita CO	55
Rte. 141 S to Dove Creek CO	60
Total Miles	280

National 9 Country Inn Motel \$85.

442 W. Hwy 491

Dove Creek CO

970-639-1874

Day 21,

Dove Creek CO to Montrose CO

US 491 S to Rte. 184 E to Mancos CO	55
US 160 E to Durango CO	30
US 550 N (MM \$\$ Hiway!) to Ridgway CO	80
Stops in Silverton, Ouray	
US 550 N to Montrose CO	30
Total Miles	195

Red Arrow Boutique Hotel \$115.

1702 E. Main St.

Montrose CO

970-249-9641

Days Inn by Wyndom \$100. (or less)

1417 E. Main St.

Montrose CO

970-249-4507

Day 22,

July

Montrose CO to Blanding Utah

US 50 N-W thru Delta CO to Grand Junc I-70 W 60

I-70 W to Utah Border 30

I-70 W to Exit 284 Rte. 128 S 30

Rte. 128 S (Amazing Road) to Moab UT 50

(Arches if we have time, reservation needed)

US 191 S to Monticello UT 55

US 191 S to Blanding UT 20

Total Miles 245

Blue Sage Inn & Suites \$115

132 S. Main St.

Blanding UT

435-220-0299

Day 23,

July

Blanding UT to Panguitch UT

US 191 S to Rte. 95 W	1
Rte. 95 W thru Glen Canyon to Hanksville UT	130
Rte. 24 W thru Capitol Reef to Torrey UT	50
Rte. 12 !! S & W to Escalante UT	60
Rte. 12 !! W thru Tropic UT to Panguitch UT	70
Total Miles	310

Church's Blue Pine Motel \$95.

130 N. Main St.

Panguitch UT

855-497-8380

Day 24,

July

Panguitch UT to Winslow AZ

US 89 S to Kanab UT	60
US 89A S to Fredonia AZ	10
US 89A S & E (Navajo Bridge) to Bitter Springs AZ	85
US 89 S to Cameron AZ	55
US 89 S to I-40 E	50
I-40 E to Winslow AZ	55
Total Miles	315

La Posada Hotel \$160.

303 E. 2nd St.

Winslow AZ

928-289-4366

Celebration Dinner!

Linda will drive to Winslow

Day 25,

July

Winslow AZ to Home

Rte. 87 S to Rte. 260 65

Rte. 260 W to Camp Verde AZ 35

I-17 S to Rte. 169 W 9

Rte. 169 W to Rte. 69 15

Rte. 69 to Home! 10

Total Miles 135

6,547 Total Miles!

