
Subject: Ride St Petersburg
Posted by [casperk](#) on Fri, 22 May 2009 13:15:22 GMT
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Hi riders

I am in St Peterburg for a couple of days as part of the Tall Ships Races 2009

I would really appreciate it if someone / a local club could lend me a bike / find a rental one and show me around the trails in the area over either Saturday or Sunday July 11/12

I ride a front suspension bike, usually doing around 10 hours a week of riding, plus a few off road events. Most of the riding is quiet roads and singletrack / forest

Safe trails

Casper

Subject: Re: Ride St Petersburg
Posted by [zhic](#) on Sun, 24 May 2009 21:15:42 GMT
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Hello Casper. our local club has already discussed you visit.

So - what frame size do you need? i can offer you 16" hybrid bike (i hope that my second half would not be angry when I'll get it :)). or I could try to look for something else.

Also - there is already a big pack of volunteers who can make a company for "foreigner ride". So - i do not think that you will get any troubles with your visit.(except terrible service in hotel & expensive prices). If you have any questions - just ask.

Subject: Re: Ride St Petersburg
Posted by [casperk](#) on Mon, 01 Jun 2009 07:59:04 GMT
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Hi

Thanks for the offer, that sounds really good!

Certainly, the 'more the merrier' if we go for a ride, so please, invite as many friends and riders as you wish!

With regards to sizing, i am 180cm tall, i usually ride 18 / 19 inch / Medium-Large or Large frame, however this depends on how the frame is measured, so i will leave the judgement on size upto you.

Sorry for the slow response, my email filtered the forum site....

Casper

Subject: Re: Ride St Petersburg
Posted by [casperk](#) on Mon, 15 Jun 2009 08:07:52 GMT
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Hi riders

i am leaving on thursday 18th June, and will have no immediate internet access until arriving in st petersburg on 11 July

if anyone would like to ride please can you get in touch and we can sort something out

i am definitaely in st petersburg 12/13 july

cheers

Subject: Re: Ride St Petersburg
Posted by [zhic](#) on Mon, 15 Jun 2009 08:50:46 GMT
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hello Casper. sorry for such delay in answer. will you get an access to mobile phone at spb? how we can meet you at the deck? does your yacht has an number or anything else that can help us to recognize?

btw - looks like that public access to the yours dock will be forbidden - so we need to find any other way to find you.

you can call me at my mobile phone +7 921 765 83 87 at any time (except sleeping hours 1am-7am)

If you have any question - better to ask it now, because it seems that I am the one who can serve like a translation gateway and i am going to vacations at Thursday for 2 weeks

Subject: Re: Ride St Petersburg
Posted by [casperk](#) on Mon, 15 Jun 2009 09:02:21 GMT
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i will bring my phone, +44 7904 612 549, however i am unsure on reception

i am on boat Black Diamond of Durham, it is well known in the race, link to a picture attached. the capitan is a friend on mine, Calvyn Whitehand

<http://www.sailingnortheast.co.uk/>

Access may well be restricted, that is a good point! there are normally race committee tents around, on which there are Liason Officers, they will be able to contact the boat if we are out of shouting range

we could agree a day, time and a place around the docks, and i could for instance, wear a cycle helmet - i do not think there will be any other sailors with a cycle helmet on!

I can do either saturday or sunday

many thanks

casper

Subject: Re: Ride St Petersburg
Posted by [vvsar](#) on Mon, 15 Jun 2009 20:29:28 GMT
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Hello Casper,

Before we decide how to organise your ride, we would like to know what your would prefer:

1. A city tour. It's better to take it at night, while traffic is low without jams, and the city is especially beautiful with bridges rised open.

2. To go 50-100 km by train to the isthmus of Karelia (the area to the north of the city between the gulf of Finland and lake Ladoga) and ride on ground roads in the forest with picturesque lakes.

File Attachments

1) [gallery-photo-2633.jpg](#), downloaded 705 times

Subject: Re: Ride St Petersburg
Posted by [casperk](#) on Tue, 16 Jun 2009 08:37:20 GMT
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Hi

Thanks for the response, the city tour sounds a great way to see everything, the countryside ride sounds like i will see things the ordinary tourist would not!

Would we be able to make a day of it, perhaps go early, out into the forests and lakes, and then tour the city in the evening?

Obviously this may press on your time, in which case i think the city tour may be preferable. (Although i may have to stop for photos!).

Let me know if i should bring lights with me?

Casper
