



TOUR ITINERARY

RIDING
LEVEL

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United States / California / Southern California

Santa Barbara Family Bike Tour

Luxury of the American West: Hike, Bike, and Surf the Santa Ynez Valley

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Cycle the beautiful Santa Ynez Valley with its ranches, vineyards, golden rolling hills, and coastal mountains
- Visit Solvang, a Danish-inspired town that's taken root in Southern California
- Enjoy beachy Santa Barbara with a surf lesson or kayaking excursion
- Spend a day hiking Gaviota Peak with spectacular summit views and a surprise visit to local hot springs
- Tap into the region's Old West identity on a horseback ride



ARRIVAL + DEPARTURE

Arrival Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**
Los Angeles or Santa Barbara
- 📍 **Pick-Up Location:**
Santa Barbara
- 🕒 **Pick-Up Time:**
10:00 am

Departure Details

- ✈ **Airport City:**
Los Angeles or Santa Barbara
- 📍 **Drop-Off Location:**
Santa Barbara
- 🕒 **Drop-Off Time:**
12:00 pm

NOTE: DuVine provides group transfers to and from the tour, within reason and in accordance with the pick-up and drop-off recommendations. In the event your train, flight, or other travel falls outside the recommended departure or arrival time or location, you may be responsible for extra costs incurred in arranging a separate transfer.

Emergency Assistance

For urgent assistance on your way to tour or while on tour, please always contact your guides first. You may also contact the Boston office during business hours at +1 617 776 4441 or emergency@duvine.com.

Younger Travelers

- Children must be age 9 and older to join a scheduled departure
- Safety triangles are provided to all children on tour

COVID-19 Travel Restrictions

For the latest travel restrictions related to the coronavirus pandemic—including quarantine requirements—please review [California's state travel guidelines](#).

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Tour By Day

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Welcome to the American Riviera

Meet your guides in Santa Barbara and set off for the picturesque Santa Ynez Valley. Our day begins in Los Olivos, an 1880s boomtown that's been transformed into a bustling wine community. After a bike fitting and safety review, start pedaling on Foxen Canyon Road surrounded by sunflower fields and views of the Santa Ynez Mountains. Descend into Foxen Canyon, home to world-class wineries, golden landscapes, and cattle dotting the magnificent hillsides. We'll stop for a fun winery lunch and have our first casual tasting to kick off the trip. Finish riding to the hotel, or opt for a life in the van. This afternoon, settle into our California-chic hotel in the heart of Los Olivos or spend some family time at the pool before a dinner that showcases California's seasonal bounty.

Meals: Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Los Olivos, Foxen Canyon

Accomplished: 16 miles / 26 km, elevation gain: 1,000 feet / 305 meters

Longer Option: 33 miles / 53 km, elevation gain: 2,201 feet / 671 meters

Accommodations: [Fess Parker Wine Country Inn](#)

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Happy Canyon and Amusing Ostriches

This morning we'll start pedaling through the countryside of Happy Canyon, a landscape that could easily be mistaken for Tuscany or Provence—a wine route with a Western twist. Despite the hillside vineyards and horse ranches, this part of the Santa Ynez Valley is gloriously tourism- and traffic-free. Stop at a coffee shop for a caffeine boost and some pastry, then ride to one of the area's most beloved restaurants for lunch. From here, cycle back to Los Olivos or take a detour to meet the ostriches and emus who live at a local farm. Later, we'll discover the side of Santa Ynez that gives it its cowboy country flair on a peaceful afternoon horseback ride. Tonight, find your favorite restaurant in Los Olivos for dinner on your own.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Santa Ynez, Happy Canyon

Accomplished: 24 miles / 39 km, elevation gain: 594 feet / 181 meters

Longer Option: 34 miles / 55 km, elevation gain: 1,119 feet / 341 meters

Accommodations: [Fess Parker Wine Country Inn](#)

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Gaviota Peak

Today begins with a transfer to cute and kitschy Solvang, a Danish town transplanted into California wine country. We'll explore the town's windmills, Danish farm-style buildings, and authentic bakeries—a fun stop for all ages. Then it's time to lace up our hiking boots and transfer to Gaviota Peak where an exciting challenge awaits. Hike past Gaviota Hot Springs where you can take a quick dip (or save it for a post-hike reward), then continue trekking up a fire road. As we climb the mountain, we're met with stellar views of the Pacific Ocean and Santa Ynez Mountains. Descend via Trespass Trail while peering out over the coast and Santa Barbara's Channel Islands that lie beyond. Lunch is served at an old stagecoach watering hole, where gold rushers used to refuel before continuing north. Tonight, check into our next hotel in beautiful downtown Santa Barbara and enjoy dinner on your own in any of Santa Barbara's trendy restaurants.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Solvang, Gaviota Peak, Santa Barbara

Accomplished: 6 miles / 9 km hiking, elevation gain: 2,600 feet / 792 meters

Accommodations: [Kimpton Canary Hotel](#)

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Sunny Santa Barbara

Start riding right from our hotel for a day of exploring Santa Barbara. Learn a bit about California's historic El Camino Real as we pedal by the Santa Barbara Mission and dip down into the elite community of Hope Ranch. From here, follow oceanfront bike paths down the coast and see why Santa Barbara is known as the American Riviera. Keep cycling into the Santa Barbara hills via East Mountain Drive, or head into downtown Santa Barbara instead and check out the boutiques and small businesses. Later, our friends will lead you in a surfing lesson to experience Santa Barbara as it was intended—from the water! If surfing's not your thing, we can also arrange a kayak outing. Tonight, your guides will take you to a memorable dinner at one of the most charming restaurants in town.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Mission Santa Barbara, East Mountain Drive, Santa Barbara Boardwalk

Accomplished: 15 miles / 24 km, elevation gain: 525 feet / 160 meters; surfing or kayaking

Longer Option: 28 miles / 45 km, elevation gain: 1,191 feet / 363 meters

Accommodations: [Kimpton Canary Hotel](#)

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See You Later, SB!

On our final morning, enjoy a slow morning and maybe an extra cup of coffee, or take the kids to visit the property's turtle pond. Once checkout is completed, your guides will get you to your next adventure or see you off for the journey home.

Meals: Breakfast

Destinations: Santa Barbara
