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# THE MODE LESS TRAVELED

Delve deeper and explore some of the world’s most geographically blessed regions with a low-impact luxury tour on two wheels

*“The bike has given me so much. It’s opened me up to different people and cultures, brought me to their vineyards and homes and kitchens, and truly made me feel like a part of something far bigger than myself. I am proud of DuVine’s efforts to help grant greater access to things like cycling, the outdoors and food security—because no one should worry about when and where they’ll get their next meal.”* Andy Levine, Founder and CEO, DuVine Cycling + Adventure Co.



Luxury bike-travel outfitter, DuVine Cycling + Adventure Co. pairs culinary delights, boutique hotels, cultural discoveries, and adventure pursuits with thoughtful itineraries that explore rarely seen routes from Algarve to the Amalfi coast and beyond. Guests can opt-in for sleek road or hybrid bikes or the e-bike—an electric-assist bicycle for extra oomph up the hills when you need it and reverts to pedal power when you don’t. Perfectly capped at just 14 cyclists, each intimate pedaling tour is led by charismatic guides who are not only avid cyclists but have a penchant for a spontaneous detour and a well-deserved Aperol after a day on the saddle. Clip-in and bypass main roads to cruise between untapped family-run osterias, hidden villages and remote cellar doors where guests can sample regional produce, meander through quaint streets and meet local winegrowers.

Guests can choose from a vetted collection of Classic, Family, Adventure, or Specialty itineraries—like sailing and culinary pairings—that embark on stunningly scenic bike tours throughout the U.S., Europe, Latin America, and Africa. And for the serious cyclist, there’s a selection of legendary routes equipped with performance bikes and gear to scramble to the finish line.

For the ultimate cadence of freedom, DuVine’s expert guides design bespoke private itineraries for unique experiences—think hand-selected exclusive hotels, Michelin-starred fare, wine tastings with world-famous sommeliers, and private yachts.

DuVine’s immersive luxury itineraries are designed for guests of all riding abilities, with top-of-the-line bikes offered on all tours to accommodate all riders, from newcomers to avid cyclists. And for those that would rather sip and sight-see than cycle, non-rider options are available so you can still journey together and connect to each exceptional location.



DuVine redefines the meaning of active travel with its Cycle + Sail tours where guests explore coasts and islands by land and by sea

In conversation with Andy Levine, Founder & CEO at DuVine Cycling + Adventure Co.

As a low-impact travel experience, how important is it to partner with other like-minded hotels, restaurants and tour partners? What is your sustainability policy?

It is extremely important for DuVine to partner with hotels and restaurants that share a similar mission when it comes to sustainability. Obviously, cycling is both a low-impact sport and mode of travel, so we ensure that we continue that mission in other aspects of our tours. From our guides to family-owned restaurants, small hotels, vineyards, and all the independent artisans you meet, we support a social impact philosophy that brings tourism income into small communities and lesser-known regions. We strive to invest the majority of our tour costs in these local businesses and help uphold the unique heritage of each destination. But we also know that the details count; that’s why each complimentary drawstring and pedal bag given to guests is made of cloth, our complimentary Elite water bottles are biodegradable, and we use GPS units instead of paper maps.

This year, we’ve gone a big step further by committing to making our tours 100% carbon neutral beginning

January 1, 2022. We believe it is our responsibility to do more to preserve the places we visit and the planet we explore. To do so, we’ve partnered with sustainability company South Pole to offset greenhouse gas emissions by supporting third-party carbon reduction projects around the world.

The Specialty tour collections are designed to merge culinary adventures with cycling. How can guests work with you to create bespoke experiential itineraries for their individual interests?

Given DuVine’s attention to detail, and the boots on the ground approach of our tour designers, all our itineraries already have a highly perfected and bespoke feel to them. That said, we are more than happy to cater to an individual’s needs by offering both private and custom options. Any of our tours can be tweaked for a private experience. Want to adjust the riding level? Enjoy more wine tastings? Have a private chef? We can do all of that. All our existing itineraries can be tailored to your desires. Or you can work with one of our tour designers to create something fully custom, right out of the box!

You ride over 1,000 miles per year for charity to champion causes such as ending child

poverty and hunger, bike and cycling advocacy, and raising funds for cancer research and healthcare. Can you tell us how guests can contribute to the organizations that you support when traveling with DuVine?

During COVID-19, we focused on two major initiatives: Feeding America and Outdoor Afro. Food insecurity soared during the pandemic. Since dining forms such an integral part of the DuVine experience, we were eager to give back. Through donations made on behalf of guest bookings, we were able to contribute a gift in excess of USD 50,000 to Feeding America. Outdoor Afro works to ensure that Black people can safely access, enjoy, thrive, and heal in nature—on bicycles and in countless other capacities. To help in our own small way, we planned a successful fundraising ride with all of our staff, guides and many of our guests around the world. This past summer, we connected with the local chapter of Outdoor Afro and ran a guided tour of the Minuteman bike path, furthering their mission to provide access to the outdoors. Outdoor Afro’s leaders led the way and presented local Black history along the route. ◀

Top: The distinctive culinary itineraries feed the appetite of discerning gourmands looking to delve into regional cuisine

Middle: The Signature bike tours have been meticulously perfected over time to become unique expressions of each region

Bottom: The Specialty tours highlight all things seasonal and unique, from gourmet meals to wonderful local wines



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LUXURY BIKE ITINERARIES SET TO EXCITE FOR 2022

Algarve Bike Tour

With its spectacular coastline, charming villages, Roman and Moorish ruins, and some of the best and most unique seafood and local wine ever sampled, DuVine is thrilled to bring guests to this rugged region of Portugal. Think oyster shucking at Ria Formosa, afternoons on private beaches, guided visits to market towns, meeting a renowned cork surfboard shaper, evenings savoring black pork, and of course riding the rolling roads that link all these inimitable experiences.

Amalfi Coast Bike + Adventure Tour

Italy is a cycling paradise, and it’s the little-known coastal roads along the Tyrrhenian Sea, from Potenza up to Positano, that will quicken your pulse. For this new six-day tour, you’ll begin in the hilltop village of Maratea with handmade pasta, then wend your way up the breathtaking coastline along circuitous roads to the Amalfi. It’s truly a trip that immerses guests in the authentic, rarely seen side of Italy.

Cotswolds Bike Tour

From the honey-colored cottages to the quiet roads that gently undulate past beech trees and lavender fields, historic castles and meandering rivers, The Cotswolds are ideal for travel by bike. Beginning in Oxford, guests are treated to cozy pubs, lovely markets, Shakespeare’s birthplace, and plenty of Gloucester cheese, Tewkesbury mustard, and freshly caught smoked Bibury trout. The week concludes in Windrush with a harvest lunch at Wild Rabbit restaurant.

Vermont Chef on Wheels Bike Tour with Matt Jennings

Chef Matt Jennings is a five-time James Beard Nominee, a former Iron Chef contestant and cyclist. For over three years, Jennings was the toast of Boston with his innovative take on classic New England fare at restaurant Townsman. On this tour, guests will dine at his new Vermont eatery Red Barn Kitchen, enjoy cooking classes and indulge in wine and cider pairings, all while enjoying some of the finest roads in America.

Provence Insider Bike Tour

Guests will stay in the gorgeous La Maison Papillons, a once-abandoned farmhouse brought back to life by host Olivier—an artist and cyclist with a studio on site—and his wife. Tucked in the hills above Monteil, it’s a secluded and blissful refuge. Riding will be off-the-beaten-path, as will the expeditions: market towns, truffle lunches, a hike through the Gorges de l’Ardeche “the Grand Canyon of Europe,” Provençal dinners, and local wines in Côtes du Vivarais appellation.

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