Tuesday-Thursday Triple Taco Trip

Tuesday Ride Day1, Lake Elsinore to Yuma AZ

8:00am Riders meet at IHOP: 18248 Collier Ave, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530 951-674-4522

We will have breakfast and a riders meeting. Riding starts at 9:00am

Lodging: Historic Coronado Motor Hotel

Ride length: 291 Miles

Gas Plan: Riders come with a full tank of gas. First gas is in Pala at 71 miles. Second gas is next to

the lunch stop in Pine Valley at 88 miles. Last gas is at the end of the day at 131 miles

Breakfast: Get your own when you arrive at IHOP

<u>Lunch Plan:</u> Lunch break is in Pine Valley at Frosty Burger (best in town) Dinner Plan: Tacos Mi Rancho, short walk from our motel. (Taco Number 1)



Nate Harrison Grade

<u>Description:</u> Morning route is up the hill from Elsinore into the Cleveland National Forest and down the great south divide. Then there is an option for the Tenaja Truck Trail. Next, backways through Fallbrook and into Pala for a gas meetup at Donut 13. Riders next have a choice of route over Mount Palomar and the dirt of Nate Harrison Grade or the sportbike favorite Palomar Grade. Then past Julian the backway and into Pine Valley for lunch. After lunch, it is the old highway through Boulevard and Jacumba and down to the desert floor. The final section through the desert takes us along the Mexican border through Calexico with options to tour some farms and the canal. The day ends with a short section of freeway into Yuma.



Wednesday Ride Day2, Yuma AZ to Twentynine Palms

7:30am Riders Meeting

Lodging: El Rancho Dolores Motel (760) 367-3528

Ride length: 246 Miles

Gas Plan: Get gas before leaving Yuma. First gas in Blythe at 90 miles. Next gas at the end of the

day at 156 miles in Twentynine Palms.

Breakfast: You're on your own

Lunch Plan: Garcia's Restaurant in Blythe (Taco Number 2)

Dinner Plan: Walk to Edchada's just east of our motel



Abandoned Gas Station - Hwy 62

<u>Description:</u> The ride leaves the backway out of Yuma and joins I-8 for a short while. Then we cut north on Ogilby Road to Hwy 78, a nice scenic backway across the desert. At Donut 21, the route crosses the Colorado River into Arizona and follows to the north along a graded dirt road. There is a green option to remain on pavement. The route continues into Blythe for gas and lunch. After lunch at Donut 22, riders have the choice of a graded dirt road across the desert through the abandoned town of Midland and into Rice or they can take the Green highway route through Vidal and into Rice. Rice is also an abandoned area. At Donut 24, riders can opt for the Green highway shortcut to the motel or take the Blue route into Amboy. The route to Amboy is mostly graded dirt road with the possibility of some sand. Amboy to the motel is all paved desert highway.

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Thursday Ride Day3, Twentynine Palms to Hemet

Ride length: 239 Miles

Gas Plan: Get gas before leaving Twentynine Palms. First gas in Salton City at 121 miles. Second

gas at the end of the ride in Hemet at 118 miles.

Breakfast: You're on your own

<u>Lunch Plan:</u> Jilberto's Taco Shop in Borrego (Taco Number 3)

Dinner Plan: None, ride over.

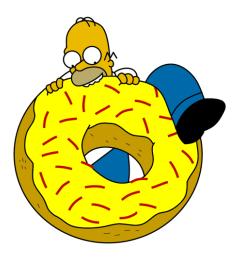


Joshua Tree National Park, California, USA

<u>Description:</u> The main Blue route starts by heading into Joshua Tree National Park via the back way. Riders wanting a shortcut can take the Green route straight away into the park. The morning here is a scenic tour of the park. At Donut 31 the route crosses I-10 and heads into Mecca by Box Canyon. All scenic highway. Next the route wraps around the Salton Sea and into Salton City for a gas stop. After gas, the route follows the Borrego Salton Seaway into Borrego Springs for lunch. After lunch the route cuts up the mountain on the famous Montezuma Valley Grade and through Ranchita. At Donut 35, riders have a Red dirt road option through the desert mountains of Cleveland National Forest and around the Cahuilla Indian Reservation. At Donut 37, the route follows Bautista Canyon Road (part paved and part dirt) into Hemet. At Donut 38 is gas and the ride is over.



Donut Holes: Are we doing Donut Holes?



This ride includes Donut Holes. Donut Holes are suggested as meetup spots for riders riding in groups. It is recommended that you join a group of riders and not ride alone. Ride groups should be 6 people or less. Using gps to navigate while riding in a group presents lot of new challenges and opportunities. First riders tend to ride at their own pace and often ride out of sight of the others in the group. Some riders may like to stop and take pictures and others simply like to stay out of the dust. When using GPS riders often unknowingly pass or change their position within the group. While the rider, say Jeff thinks Brian is in front of him, Brian is now behind. Jeff and both riders don't know that this change has occurred. What happens next is Brian slows to allow Jeff to catch up and Jeff speeds up to try to catch Brian. The gap between them gets ever bigger and the riders may never see each other again. These situations can escalate into big

confusion and issues.

To mitigate the group confusion this ride includes Meetup Points called Donut Holes. Donut Holes are big circles embedded into your GPS. These circles mark the spot that riders take a quick stop to check in with the other riders and verify that everyone is accounted for without issue.

When a rider turns up missing at the Donut Hole it is up to the group to decide to ride back to the last known sighting of the missing rider. Riders should not skip a Donut as the rest of the group may turn back looking for the missing person. This allows ride groups to catch issues early before they become big problems

As your riding group forms the riders should ask each other, are we doing Donuts? If your group agrees to do Donuts, then that means everyone is responsible for ensuring everyone in the group is present at the Donut Holes. Stay on the Trail. Much of this ride borders wilderness areas. In some places the ride cuts right through wilderness area on road easements. It is very important to stay on the route at all times

Other:

Riding in groups of more than 6 people is not permitted, so do not tell any officials that you are riding in a large group. And limit your group size to 6.