

Carolina Foothills-Lake Lure Bicycle Tour



This tour is very special to me, having spent many a vacation in the region and now calling the foothills community my home. The inns and communities I have chosen will truly showcase the best this area has to offer. From the quaint towns of Tryon and Saluda to spectacular Lake Lure. The cycling will be scenic and challenging and the inns will provide a mix of opulence and true southern comfort. Besides the superb cycling there will be plenty of other activities to take part in, from touring the 250 room Biltmore House, once home to George Vanderbilt, to boat rides on what National Geographic calls "One of the Ten most Beautiful Private Lakes in the World". I hope that you will join us on what is sure to be a fantastic journey.

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1 - Arrive at the Pine Crest Inn

After settling into your room at the beautiful Pine Crest Inn we get together in the early afternoon for an informal greeting where we will go over the itinerary and safety issues. Afterwards we will venture to Saluda where we will dine and have an opportunity to enjoy live music.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 - Classic July the 4th Loop

After fueling up on a full southern breakfast we will set out on a wonderful ride showcasing the best of the Carolina foothills. We will cycle around beautiful Lake Lanier, past the sheer granite walls of Glassy Mountain, up the Greenville watershed and through the town of Saluda before plunging back down to Tryon. Depending on the pace of the group we will either picnic along the route or sample some good ol' Carolina bar-b-que in Saluda. Tonight we will dine at our host Inn.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Mileage: several options ranging from 25 to 60+ miles

Day 3 - Cycle to Lake Lure

Today we will cycle from Tryon to spectacular Lake Lure. The ride over will take us past incredible views of the great granite walls surrounding Lake Lure. Upon arrival at the Lodge we will clean up

Dates: May 9-13

Cost:

Accommodations: 4 Nights Lodging

Single Occupancy \$1850

Double Occupancy \$1425

Deposit - \$250 per person with the remainder due 60 days before the tour start date.

Places of Interest:

There are numerous places of interest in these unique communities. I have added a few links below in hope that you may get a feel for the beauty to be observed on this tour.

- [Saluda, NC](#)
- [Chimney Rock Park](#)
- [Biltmore Estates](#)
- [Lake Lure](#)
- [Boat Tours on Lake Lure](#)

Accommodations:

Night 1 & 2:
Tryon, NC
[Pine Crest Inn](#)



Night 3 & 4:
Lake Lure, NC
[Lodge on Lake Lure](#)

before going on a boat tour of Lake Lure. Dinner this evening will be at one of the many restaurants along the lake.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Mileage: several options ranging from 25 to 60+ miles

Day 4 - Cycle around Chimney Rock and Hickory Nut Gorge

Today we cycle around Lake Lure and through the community of Chimney Rock. After our ride we have options for relaxing around the lake or shuttling up to the Biltmore Estates for tour of this grand 250 room mansion. Our last nights dinner will be celebration to your accomplishments and an appropriate ending to a fantastic vacation.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Mileage: several options ranging from 25 to 60+ miles

Day 5 - Chimney Rock Park

After a relaxing breakfast we will say goodbye to our hosts and set out for visit to Chimney Rock Park before shuttling back to Tryon.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

