

The North America Tour 2019

We are planning a trip to North America in 2019 to give you the opportunity to visit all those places you've always wanted to see from the seat of your own motorcycle.

Itinerary: The itinerary will be up to individuals to consider, select and book. Bike pick up/un-crate and drop off/crate-up dates in LA will of course require us to coordinate set dates at set locations for all participants. At this stage we have only planned for group accommodation in LA upon arrival and prior to departure to facilitate this process as efficiently as possible. Once we have filled the container, we'll have several meetings to work out exactly what everybody wants.

When: August 2019 for 4 weeks with the option of 6 weeks (from mid-July). The group can decide the preferred duration of the tour.

The plan is for us to fly in and out of Los Angeles LAX. As for the bikes, we'll do the same as on the previous trips: i.e. crate your own bike, drop off at the CFS depot in Spotswood and the container will be loaded and dispatched from there. This means shipping out from Melbourne will need to occur late May 2019/early June 2019.

One container of 24 individually crated bikes will be shipped, just as we've done on previous trips (Mandello 95th ANNI Tour 2016 and the New Zealand Tour 2018). You can leave your riding gear on the bike in a plastic bags or panniers, clearly labelled with your personal and bike details.

Travel time: Shipping takes at least six weeks. Same for the return.

The biggest difference from our previous trips is that everybody must complete and manage their own import and export documentation. We can take care of all the transport logistics and associated hassles. However, the US Customs Dept. won't allow us to manage the importation and exportation of your individual bike. Primarily, this means that we'll need to allow more time to get all 24 bikes released upon arrival and then reloaded at the end of the tour. To be financially viable, we will need to ship a full container load of 24 bikes.

Bookings: The sooner you book the better your chance to get a spot in the container. The full amount needs to be paid within five working days of your place being confirmed by Teo.

Please note: Once you have booked and paid there will be **NO REFUNDS** upon cancellation by you.

Should you be unable to go for any reason, it is **100% your responsibility** to find another suitable candidate, not later than eight weeks before loading of the container, to fill your place and arrange payment to you for that. **We will not get involved.** There will also be an administration charge of at least **\$100** for Teo to alter and resubmit the mountain of paperwork required to alter the shipping manifesto, Customs forms and other Government requirements, temporary import and export documentation etc., to enable this to happen.

Prices: So, what will it cost? The round trip for your bike will cost you **AUS \$1960**. Currency fluctuations and other variables may alter this.

Don't hesitate, contact Teo now on

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