



BIKING: Ragged Point to SLO (4 DAYS) - v1

Summary

San Luis Obispo (SLO) County offers a great combination of spectacular coastal riding, lightly trafficked inland valleys, diverse small towns and winery areas to cycle in. This tour features shorter days with chances to add miles if desired.

Itinerary

Day One – Arrival, Bike Ragged Point to Cambria (20-30 Miles)

The Central Coast Outdoors (CCO) representative will meet you in San Luis Obispo or at our offices in Los Osos. After meeting, we'll shuttle you to the start of the ride in Ragged Point (a little over 1 hour). From Ragged Point you'll ride down the coast to Cambria. Along the way you'll pass a colony of decidedly odd looking elephant seals and the iconic Hearst Castle.

Day Two – Bike Cambria to Morro Bay (20-35 Miles)

South of Cambria Highway One cuts inland through ranchland for a few miles before coming back to the coast in the small beachside surf town of Cayucos. Enjoy the pier and beach before the short spin along the coast to Morro Bay. Morro Bay is an old fishing town with a harbor and walkable waterfront area. Two options today into pretty inland valleys out of Cambria and/or Cayucos can add miles as well.

Day Three – Bike Morro Bay to Pismo Beach (30-40 miles)

In the morning, you'll skirt the edge of Morro Bay National Estuary before heading inland past idyllic ranches and farms to the town of San Luis Obispo (SLO), recently recognized as the happiest town in America. South of SLO, your ride enters the wine country of the Edna Valley before following Price Canyon to Pismo Beach, a classic surfing town.

Day Four - Bike Pismo Beach to SLO (15-25 miles)

There are many diversions on your last day, even though the miles are few. From Pismo Beach you'll head toward Avila Beach, where a fun out and back along a creekside bike trail to the beach can add a few miles. Riding back to SLO from Avila Beach, there is another fun side trip up the apple growing area in See Canyon. A scenic frontage road brings you back to SLO, for a rendezvous with the Central Coast Outdoors representative.

John's Tour thoughts

- You can lengthen this tour to five days by breaking Day Three into two days and staying in SLO in between Morro Bay and Pismo Beach.