



BIKING: Paso Robles to San Luis Obispo (SLO) – 3 Day Itinerary v2

Day One – Paso Robles Northeast Loop Ride – 20-40 miles

Northeast of Paso Robles lies a bicycling and wine tasting region that features quiet country roads, relatively forgiving cycling terrain and plenty of small, friendly wineries that boast award winning red wines. A spin north along a quiet road along the Salinas River starts the day before you turn east and into the vineyard country. Rolling hills separate such wineries as Villa San Juliette (a great spot for lunch in a spectacular location), Ranchita Canyon and J&J. There are also several options explore even further into scenic ranchland as well as make a visit to historic Mission San Miguel. Later in the day you'll pass by Le Vigne, where you can do a cheese paring with your wines.

Day Two – Paso Robles Southeast Loop Ride – 29-43 miles

Isolated roads, dramatic oak studded hillsides, rolling terrain and a plethora of wineries characterize the area southeast of Paso Robles. Cycling south from town along the Salinas River, you'll come close to Templeton, where an optional loop through this historic town and over into more wine country beckons. Along these lightly trafficked roads, you'll have the option to taste as Wild Horse and Cass Winery among others. As you gradually work your way back toward Paso Robles there are many smaller boutique wineries to taste at as well.

Day Three – SLO Wineries Loop Ride – 20-40 miles

The Edna Valley just south of SLO features both superb cycling and many award winning small wineries. Located closer to the cooling breezes of the Pacific Ocean, wineries in the Edna Valley produce many award winning chardonnays and pinot noirs. Cycling from SLO, you'll encounter vineyards almost immediately. You can keep the mileage short and focus on wine tasting at wineries like Baileyana, Kynsi and Saucelito Canyon. You can also explore more of the area on isolated country roads. Returning to SLO, the ride yields beautiful views of the Nine Sisters, a line of craggy volcanic hills stretching from SLO to Morro Bay.

Tour Start/End Logistics

- This tour usually meets in SLO on the morning of the first day of cycling and includes a short shuttle (30-35 minutes) in our company vehicle to Paso Robles.
- The tour ends in SLO.
- If you are driving to the tour, it makes the most sense to leave your car in SLO at whatever hotel you are staying at in SLO.
- SLO also has an Amtrak train station and a regional airport.

John's Tour Thoughts

- Many groups also like to add a day of coastal riding between the Paso Robles and SLO segments. The best way to do this added day is to shuttle in the morning from Paso Robles out to the coast north of Cambria and ride down Highway One. Hearst Castle and Piedras Blancas elephant seal colony are along the way.



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