

21-day mountain bike trip takes riders across Nevada

Mountain Bike Nevada is a 519-mile border-to-border tour from Sept. 10-20.

Sponsored by the Nevada State Parks, the tour will start at the historic Cal Neva Resort on the North Shore and end in the shadow of Wheeler Peak in Great Basin National Park.



The off-road route will explore the Flume Trail, six State Parks, mining ghost towns, Pony Express Trail, wild mustang herds and numerous hot springs which include the unique Dinah's Punch Bowl.

"We completed an exploratory ride last year which led way to organizing this year's inaugural event that also benefits Nevada public education," Todd Whear, ride organizer and event co-founder, said in a press release. "This is not along Highway 50 and the Loneliest Road in America. This route is much lonelier, more isolated and more scenic. Mountain bikes were built for this kind of riding and Nevada offers some of the finest mountain terrain, weather conditions and trail systems anywhere in the U.S."

The 2011 Mountain Bike Nevada adventure tour is limited to 50 participants with registration available until Aug. 20. The \$1,600 fee includes:

- Daily guide services
- Daily support crew services
- Two nights at a Eureka hotel on rest day
- All meals (except on rest day in Eureka, meals on own)

- All camping fees
- MTBNV riding jersey, water bottle and camp mug
- All non-alcoholic beverages
- Bike technician services

To register and learn more, go online.