

# **Cyprus Road Cycling Tour**

Trip Code: CYMB Version: CYMB Cyprus Road Cycling Tour





#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Cycle to the top of Mount Olympos (1952m) the island's high point
- Convenient 2-centre format with accommodation in Tochni and Pafos
- Fully supported with both a cycling guide and back-up vehicle
- Six of the best day-rides on the magical island of Cyprus

#### AT A GLANCE

- 6 days cycling
- 510 kms
- Max elevation 1900 metres
- Join at Larnaca

#### ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

- 7 Breakfasts
- 6 Dinners
- 7 nights Hotel with swimming pool

#### **VIEW DATES, PRICES & BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY HERE**

## Introduction

Tucked away in the far eastern Mediterranean, Cyprus is the perfect place for a road cycling holiday early and late in the year when the conditions in the UK and in many parts of Western Europe are generally unfavourable. This large island, 240 kilometres from west to east, enjoys more than 300 sunny days a year and the daytime temperature can approach 20 degrees centigrade even in mid-winter.

Cyprus is a rugged and beautiful island with the central, forest-cloaked Troodos Mountains rising to a high point at Mount Olympos (1952m). Sinuous valleys and ridges run down from the Troodos towards the island's south coast and the roads which traverse these foothills provide us with the setting for a great week of cycling. Welcoming people, quiet, well-surfaced roads, 6 contrasting days of cycling, a stunning mix of coastal and mountain scenery, excellent accommodation and an expert Cypriot cycling guide... what's not to like? And, on top of all that, Cyprus is new, different and largely undiscovered by road cyclists. Our bespoke choice of day-rides will take us to ancient monasteries, through timeless villages, to pretty fishing villages and even to the top of Mount Olympos itself. During the week we will cover much of the island's southern region, from the Plain of Larnaca in the east to Chrysochou Bay in the west, whilst experiencing the great variety of Cypriot landscape; rocky shoreline, orderly vineyards, wildflower meadows and pine-forested hills. With challenging (but not-too-challenging) rides and plenty of time to get a feel for the Cypriot way of life with its focus on café-culture, good food and the great outdoors, this is a contender for the best Mediterranean road cycling holiday.

#### Is this holiday for you?

**ROAD CYCLING.** This holiday has 6 days of cycling, averaging a little more than 80 kilometres and 1350 metres of ascent on each of those days. Whilst this will provide a reasonable challenge for regular weekend road cyclists, we expect to be back at our accommodation by mid-afternoon on most days with plenty of time to chill out and to recover ahead of the next day's ride. Returning to the same hotel on all days except one also means it's easy to opt out of a day of cycling if you wish. Most of the riding is on quiet roads, with a just a few link-up sections on slightly busier roads. There are several longish climbs, including the 1000 metres of ascent over 35 kilometres at the start of Day 5, but the gradients are generally low. Throughout the holiday there will be both a cycling guide and a support vehicle and driver. Apart from the spare tube, multi-tool and pump that you would take on any day-ride, you will not be required to carry anything. A great mix of inland and coastal cycling along with the comfortable 2-centre format (Tochni and Pafos) makes this holiday a great choice for any keen road cyclist looking for a new and very different European destination early and late in the year. **BIKE HIRE AVAILABLE LOCALLY**.

## Itinerary

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#### DAY 1

## Meet at the group hotel in Tochni. A single group transfer from Larnaca Airport is provided.

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Accommodation Hotel with swimming pool

#### DAY 2

#### Introductory loop via Stavrovouni Monastery and Anafotida.

The first group get-together will be at breakfast. After a typically Cypriot breakfast, the tour guide will provide a briefing about the week ahead and those of the group who have hired bikes will pick them up from the bike shop on site. Today's introductory ride will take us on quiet country roads through farmland towards the village of Kornos. The terrain is undulating and we gain a couple of hundred metres and then lose a little during the 20-kilometre ride to the north side of the hill of Stavrovouni (641m). There is a Greek Orthodox monastery on the summit of the hill, dating back to the early 4th century and reputedly home to a piece of the 'Holy Cross'. More importantly for us, there's a great little road that climbs up to the monastery, gaining 300 metres over 6 kilometres. We can take a break here and check out the great views which extend eastwards across the Plain of Larnaca to the city and its bay. After a fun and fast descent back to the country road, we begin to loop around towards the coast, passing through olive groves and several small villages such as Pyrga where you can feel the tranquillity of Cyprus country life. Still heading downhill, we reach Klavdia on the plain and continue cycling through farmland to Anafotia, a great place for a coffee stop and a snack for lunch. Here, we are just a couple of kilometres from the sea and it will be hard to resist a diversion to the coast before completing our ride through Kofinou and back to Tochni.

#### Meals: **BD**



#### DAY 3

## Eastern Troodos ride via Vavatsinias and Lefkara with a diversion to the coast at Zygi.

Just a couple of kilometres from our hotel we reach Chirokita and turn north toward Cyprus's mountainous interior. We follow a great road that climbs steadily into an increasingly rural landscape of small villages, scattered farms, rough pasture and olive groves. Ahead of us we can see the peak of Kionia (1251m) one of the high points of the eastern Troodos. After 30 kilometres (and 700 metres above our start point) we will be needing a coffee stop and the beautiful traditional village of Ayio Vavatsinias is the perfect place for this. The ride then undulates and meanders across to Vavatsinia (850m) which nestles amongst fragrant pine forest. Here, we begin a long descent via Lefkara, a contender for the most picturesque village on the island. A common sight in the village are groups of women who sit outside their houses working on fine embroidery, as they have for centuries. The village is also known for its skilled silversmiths who produce fine filigree work. We will be in no hurry to leave Lefkara and it does provide lots of options for lunch. From here, it's all downhill to the sea through the Agios Theodoros Valley. We then have a stretch of level and scenic coastal riding to the pretty fishing village of Zygi, before turning inland and completing our ride with the gentle ascent to our accommodation in Tochni.

Meals: **B D** 



#### DAY 4

# Transfer to Limassol for a brief city experience, then a coastal ride to Pafos via Petra tou Romiou.

After a leisurely breakfast at our accommodation, we'll transfer half an hour down the coast to the pleasant city of Limassol. Here, we'll stretch our legs with a walk through the old part of town whose narrow streets radiate out from the old harbour. We will be able to admire the honey-coloured town houses and the medieval castle, take a stroll along the promenade and find a sunny café for a coffee before setting off on our ride westwards along the coast. Early on the ride, we pass Ancient Kourion one of the most spectacular archaeological sites on the island with its Greco-Roman theatre and well preserved Roman mosaics. The coast road undulates for the next 25 kilometres and climbs to 200 metres above sea-level as we bypass the town of Pissouri, before dropping back to water's edge close to the limestone sea-stack of Petra tou Romiou, the mythical birthplace of Aphrodite, the goddess of love and beauty. We follow the shoreline for the next 10 kilometres, then trend inland via Kouklia which has another UNESCO-listed archaeological site and a picturesque central square, perfect for a coffee and a snack whilst watching the world go by. From here, we cycle to our hotel in Pafos, which is close to the beach, across a level agricultural plain where bananas, tobacco, cereals and grapes are grown. Plenty of time to go for a swim before going out to a local tavern for dinner.

Meals	: <b>B D</b>						
Þ	Accommodation Hotel with swimming pool	7	Ascent 650M	Ы	<b>Descent</b> 650M	<b>(</b>	<b>Time</b> 3 - 4 hrs cycling
Å	<b>Distance</b> 60KM						

#### DAY 5

# Transfer to Agios Nikolaos, cycle to the top of Mount Olympos (1952m) and back to Pafos.

Today's is the 'Queen Stage' when we get to cycle to the top of the highest road on the island. We begin the day by driving for an hour to the village of Agios Nikolaos (770m) which is close to the point where the vineyards and olive groves, typical of this part of Cyprus, give way to the forested upper slopes of the Troodos. Reunited with our bikes, there's a great introduction to the day's ride as we cycle for 10 kilometres on largely traffic-free and super-smooth tarmac to a junction at Kato Platres (900m). From here, we head north across a mountainous landscape, skirting the western flanks of Mount Olympos, gaining height only gradually and passing through pine forest and a number of sleepy villages. A couple of hours into our ride we reach Prodromos (1380m) and this is a great place to stop for coffee before setting off, each at our own pace, for the final 8 kilometres of climbing. The upper part of the mountain is more open, less forested, the temperature rather cooler and the views tremendous. Descending towards the south, we will stop for lunch after just a few kilometres at the cosy Café Bar 1725 or at the Troodos Hotel. After lunch, we have an exhilarating and largely downhill 60-kilometre ride through the beautiful Diarizos Valley to our sea-side accommodation in Pafos.

Meals: **B D** 

Þ	Accommodation Hotel with swimming pool	7	<b>Ascent</b> 1600M	Ы	Descent 2350M	(	<b>Time</b> 7 hrs cycling
Å	<b>Distance</b> 105KM						

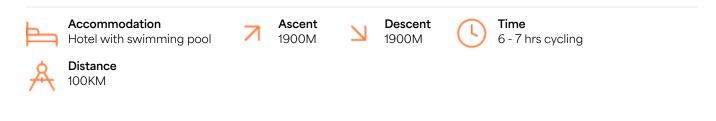
#### DAY 6

# A loop ride through the wine-growing Laona Valley to Chrysochou Bay and back to Pafos.

North and west of Pafos is the pretty wine-growing region of Laona and today's ride will take us up and over this high plateau, reaching an elevation of just over 600 metres, before dropping down to the shore of Chrysochou Bay. Starting out along the coast, the ride is pretty level for 10 or 12 kilometres and then climbs up from Peyia through a forested area to Kathikas, one of the Laona villages, close to the day's high point. The village has some picturesque old houses and churches. Continuing northwards to

Drousia, we have views of the Troodos Mountains on our right hand side and views of the Akamas Peninsula and the Mediterranean ahead of us. We can stop for coffee in Drousia or wait until we've made the rapid descent to the pretty harbour at Latsi. There's plenty of time for a paddle and a sit in the sun before beginning our ride back to Pafos. We pass through the neighbouring small town of Polis and then, at Chrysochou, turn off onto a minor road that snakes its way picturesquely back up into the Laona region. We can stop for lunch at Kathikas before looping back around to Pafos through Stroumpi and Tsada. There's a final 200 metre climb up to Tsada before we can enjoy the 15 kilometre descent to Pafos.

Meals: **B D** 



#### DAY 7

# Morning ride as for Stage 3 of the Cyprus Gran Fondo. Free time at Pafos in the afternoon.

Our agent in Cyprus has for several years run the Cyprus Gran Fondo and this morning we'll ride the spectacular route that has featured as the last stage of this annual 3-day event. We can head down to Pafos Castle to start the ride (as for the Gran Fondo) and from there cycle eastwards easily to Agia Varvara where we head inland with the enticing prospect of a 20 kilometre ascent to a high point close to 800 metres elevation near the partly abandoned village of Statos. Here, we find ourselves in a high and dry landscape with views of the Ezousa Valley on our left and the Xeros Potamos Valley on our right. Dropping down now (450 metres of descent in 10 kilometres) we reach the pretty village of Choulou where we can stop for coffee and contemplate the final challenge of the week. Completing the descent to the Ezousa River, it's uphill again for 10 kilometres, via Letymbou, to the hilltop village of Tsada (600m) which commands panoramic views up and down the coast. We can choose to stop for a snack in Tsada before descending to our hotel in Pafos, which brings this brilliant week of cycling to a close. The remainder of the day is free to explore Pafos or to go for a swim. In the evening we will go out for a clebratory final dinner.

Meals: **B D** 



#### DAY 8

## Your holiday ends after breakfast. A single group transfer to Larnaca Airport is provided.

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Meals: B

## **Holiday Information**

#### What's Included

- A single group transfer from Larnaca Airport on Day 1
- A single group transfer to Larnaca Airport on Day 8
- An experienced English-speaking cycling guide
- A support vehicle and driver
- Accommodation as described
- Meals as described in the meal plan

#### What's not Included

- Travel insurance
- Airport transfers other than the single group transfer on Day 1 and Day 8
- Meals as detailed in the Meal Plan
- Tips for local staff
- Miscellaneous personal expenses
- Bike hire
- Bike Carriage on the flights please check with your carrier for charges

#### **Joining Arrangements & Transfers**

#### TRAVEL TO YOUR DESTINATION

If flying from the UK there are low cost airlines available to the start and from the end of your holiday.

To benefit from full financial protection, ease your holiday planning, and avoid dealing with airlines, we can book scheduled flights from the UK as part of a flight inclusive package. Scheduled flights are usually more expensive that low cost alternatives, however potentially less stressful if your flight is cancelled or delayed. If you book flights through KE Adventure Travel we will offset the carbon of your flight.

A single transfer from Larnaca Airport is provided on Day 1 of the itinerary, usually in the late evening.

On the final day of the itinerary, there will be a single transfer from Pafos to Larnaca Airport, usually midmorning.

Anyone may join the group transfers by prior arrangement. Travelling as a group or on public transport saves energy. If this is not practical, we can provide private transfers at an additional cost. Taxis are also available.

Hotel contact details and an emergency number will be provided with your booking confirmation.

#### Meal Plan

All breakfasts and 6 dinners are included. Dinner on the first evening is not included because of the likely late arrival at the hotel. The local team will help choose cafes and tavernas each day for the lunch stop.

#### Food & Water

Water from the taps may not be drinkable in all locations on this trip - please check with your guide. We recommend taking water purification tablets and a reusable bottle with a filter such as <u>Water-to-Go</u>, which can both be used to help make safe other water sources. Please note that we do not encourage the purchase of single use plastic bottles.

Cypriots will tell you that their diet is the reason why so many islanders live to a ripe old age. The locals often eat fresh bread with olives, cucumber and tomatoes for breakfast, sometimes with grilled halloumi cheese and a bacon/sausage locally called lountza. For lunch, try a snack of warm pitta bread with tasty dips such as hummus and tzatziki, or a slice of moussaka. Mezedes are a popular option in the evening and a great way to try lots of different Cypriot food options, as they can include 10, 15 or more bite-size dishes; kebabs, stuffed vine leaves, fish, pasta, feta cheese, spicy meat balls. For dessert, the sticky nut and spice-filled filo pastry dish known as baklava is delicious.

## **Special Diets**

Whilst we can cater for vegetarians, albeit sometimes with a more limited choice, we cannot always provide for special diets. Due to the nature of some of the trips that we operate and the countries in which we operate them, it can be very hard (and sometimes impossible) to cater for a wide range of dietary choices and you may have to supplement your meals with food/snacks from home. If you have specific dietary requirements please do speak to our sales team and they will be able to advise you whether or not we will be able to offer your specific choice. Please note that we are unable to provide separate menus and cannot accept liability for any problems arising from special dietary requirements or intolerances.

## Accommodation

During this trip we spend 3 nights near Tochni in a good standard of hotel and for the remaining 4 nights we stay at a resort-style hotel in Pafos just a stone's throw from the sea. Each of these places is chosen for its location and for the standard of service. Accommodation is arranged on a twin sharing basis and if you are travelling by yourself, you will be paired up with another single client of the same sex. Single rooms are available for a supplementary cost. If you are planning on extending your holiday, additional accommodation nights can be pre-booked. There are swimming pools at both of the places we stay.

## Group Leader & Support Staff

This holiday will be accompanied by an experienced KE cycling leader. In addition, there will be a support vehicle and driver.

#### Altitude

This holiday does not involve any significant ascent to altitude and we would not expect any altitude issues with this trip.

## **Spending Money**

Approximately €200 should cover miscellaneous personal expenditure including your lunches, as well as bar bills and tips for the leader and restaurant staff. You can withdraw cash (euros only) from ATM's at Larnaca Airport and in Pafos. If you intend to travel with cash, you should take this in the form of euros.

#### **Guidance on Tipping**

Tipping is the accepted way of saying thank you to your tour leader, driver and any other local staff. Tipping is entirely voluntary and should be dependent on good service. We advise you to tip as a group.

### Your Bike

We recommend that your bike is fitted with suitably low gearing and suggest that you fit reasonably high volume tyres (28mm for instance) which will provide a bit more comfort on the variable road surfaces typically found on our **Road Cycling** holidays.

Since you are depending on your bike to transport you throughout your holiday, it's important to ensure it is in good working order. If you are not mechanically minded, get your local bicycle dealer to service it for you.

Please contact us if you are unsure about the suitability of your bike.

#### **Bike Hire**

Bike hire is available locally for this trip. Our local agent has limited numbers of 3T Exploro and 3T Racemax and Scott CR1 and Scott Solace road bikes. For information about these bikes and to book your hire bike go to this link <u>https://www.activatecyprus.com/road-bike</u> You can choose the pedals you prefer when making your reservation. The hire charges vary from around 180 to 250 euros for the 6 days of cycling, depending on the bike you choose. Please note that your contract for bike hire is directly with our local agent and not with KE. If hiring a bike we recommend that you bring your own saddle and pedals (if you have not pre-ordered) and you must take your own helmet.

#### **Travelling With Your Bike**

Airlines require that you pack your bike properly for travel and for this holiday we recommend that you use either soft bike bag or a purpose-made bike box or case. Whether you are using a bag or a case, you will need to partially dismantle your bike to pack it. Please note that bike bags or boxes will be placed in secure storage and will not travel with us during the course of the trip.

Please contact us if you have any questions about travelling with your bike.

#### Vehicle Support

Throughout the holiday, we will have the back up of a support vehicle. The cycling guide and the support vehicle driver will watch over the group, communicating with each other by mobile phone. Group members will naturally cycle at different speeds and there will be regular stops at the support vehicle to allow the group to reform. The support vehicle will carry water and snacks and can pick up any group members who wish to take a break from cycling at any time.

#### **Baggage Allowance**

Apart from your bike in its bag or box (if you are taking your own bike), you should travel with one main item of luggage, such as a kitbag or holdall and a small day pack. The day pack can be used to carry valuable items such as cameras and GPS devices whilst travelling, but will also be useful to separate out items you might want to pick up from the support vehicle during the rides, like additional clothing.

## Group Size & Holiday Status

For each holiday there is a minimum number of participants required to enable it to go ahead. Once the minimum number is reached, the trip status will change from 'Available' to 'Guaranteed to run'. You can check the trip status for each departure in the 'Dates and Prices' table. Other than in exceptional circumstances, we will not cancel a trip once it has achieved this guaranteed to run status so you are free to proceed with your international flight booking and other travel arrangements.

## **General Information**

## Passport & Visas

#### Europe

Your passport must meet 2 requirements. It must be:

- less than 10 years old on the day you enter (check the 'date of issue')
- valid for at least 3 months after the day you plan to leave (check the 'expiry date')

For the latest details on visiting countries within the EU or the European Economic Area (EEA), please check the UK Government website

#### The information that we provide is for UK passport holders.

A passport with 6 months remaining validity at the end of your stay is generally required, and you should have at least 2 blank pages for each country that you visit.

For other nationalities, please refer to your own Government website for the latest information.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documents including vaccinations and health certificates (see Health & Vaccinations below), and visas for your holiday. Please ensure that you check the <u>FCDO</u> for the latest advice for **each country visited** before travel.

#### Health & Vaccinations

#### Vaccinations

You should contact your doctor or travel clinic to check whether you require any specific vaccinations.

#### GHIC / Medical cover

UK residents should carry a free Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). This entitles you to state provided medical treatment when you're visiting an EU country or Switzerland. This is not a substitute for medical travel insurance which is vital when travelling overseas.

#### **Severe Allergies**

If you have a severe allergy please inform the KE office before you travel. We will do all we can to help, but we cannot guarantee an allergy free environment on KE trips. You will need to carry your own treatment for the allergy with you, as 'adrenaline auto-injectors' are not carried as standard by KE leaders and staff. You should inform your leader on arrival of your allergy, and let them know where you keep your adrenaline pen.

## Currency

The currency for part or all of this holiday is the Euro.

#### Preparing for your Holiday

The better conditioned you are the more you will enjoy your trip. We suggest that you adopt a sensible weekly exercise regime and fit in a number of long cycle rides in hilly country to ensure you are physically capable of taking part in this trip - this will also provide you with an opportunity to make sure all your riding kit is tried and tested before you travel. Cycling is obviously the best activity to prepare for this trip, however, running, rowing and swimming are also good for developing aerobic fitness and stamina.

#### Climate

Cyprus has a hot, dry Mediterranean climate and the summer season from June through to September can be uncomfortable for road cycling at sea-level. So, we have set our departures in April and October, when the highest daytime temperatures will usually be around 24 degrees centigrade, falling to around 15 degrees at night. There is usually very little rain in April or October.

#### **Travel Aware**

As a reputable tour operator, KE supports the British Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's <u>'Travel Aware'</u> campaign to enable British citizens to prepare for their journeys overseas. The 'Travel Aware' website provides a single, authoritative source of advice for all kinds of travellers and we recommend that before travel, all KE clients visit the official UK Government website at <u>travelaware.campaign.gov.uk</u> and read the FCDO Travel Advice for their chosen destination. North Americans can also check out the U.S. Department of State website: <u>www.travel.state.gov</u> for essential travel advice and tips.

KE treat the safety and security of all clients as the most important aspect of any trip we organise. We would not run any trip that we did not consider reasonably safe. Should the FCDO advise against travel for any reason, we will contact everyone booked to travel to discuss the situation. We receive regular updates directly from the FCDO and are in constant touch with our contacts on the ground. If you have any questions about government travel advice, please call our office.

#### **Single Use Plastic**

KE do not encourage the use of single use plastic items. We are ensuring that our agents all over the world are working together to reduce the problem and educate those around them. We are leading by example in our KE office by reducing our plastic use.

#### Books

- Cyprus. Lonely Planet Travel Guide
- Cyprus. DK Eyewitness Travel Guide

## Maps

- Cyprus. Reise Know-How (stanfords.co.uk). 1:150,000 scale
- Cyprus. Selas (stanfords.co.uk). 1:250,000 scale

### **Private Groups Information**

## Make this KE cycling holiday your own!

- Do our normal group departure dates not fit?
- Are you wanting to travel with just your friends or family?
- Are you looking to organise a trip for your local cycling club?

We are experts in creating holidays for groups of friends, families, charities, and cycling clubs. Our personal service means you'll be fully involved as we make the arrangements for your perfect adventure holiday.

#### Independence with Security

Travelling as a KE Private Group allows you more flexibility and choice, but still with the peace of mind that everything is pre-planned and arranged for your group by a reputable adventure travel company.

To take your first step to an amazing adventure with your friends and family complete the private group enquiry form, or call our **Sales Experts on: 017687 73966** 

#### **Travel Insurance**

It is an essential condition of joining a holiday with KE Adventure Travel that you have a valid travel insurance policy to cover the cost of medical treatment and to protect the value of your holiday in the event of cancellation. When taking out insurance please ensure the policy you choose covers you for the activities and altitude included in your itinerary.

For appropriate insurance cover we recommend Campbell Irvine Direct. Please go to our <u>Travel</u> <u>Insurance</u> page for further information and to get a quote.

## **Equipment Information**

## Equipment List

For this holiday you will need your usual cycling clothing, including shoes, cycling gloves and helmet (which must be worn at all times when cycling). Whether you are hiring a bike or taking your own, we recommend that you take the usual day-ride essentials of: mobile phone, multi-tool, mini-pump, tyre levers, spare tubes and puncture repair kit.

### **Bike Wear**

- Cycling helmet
- Cycling shoes
- Overshoes
- Padded cycling shorts
- Bib-tights or leg warmers
- Lycra arm warmers
- Short sleeve cycling tops
- Long sleeved cycling top
- Lightweight windproof gilet
- Lightweight waterproof jacket
- Regular biking gloves
- Buff
- Sunglasses
- Sun cream (inc. total bloc for lips/nose)
- GPS device
- Camera

## **Other Stuff**

- Travel and off-the-bike clothing and footwear
- Wash bag, towel, toiletries
- Swimwear
- Basic First Aid kit and personal medication
- Chamois Cream (e.g. Assos or Ozone)
- Water purification tablets

#### Spares

If you are hiring a bike you do not need to bring any spares. The hire bikes are provided in good condition and a supply of spares is carried. You may be asked to pay directly for any spares used, especially in the case of crash damage or damage by mis-use. If you are taking your own bike, you should consider taking a minimum of spares, including a couple of spare spokes (for each wheel if they are different), spare brake blocks (or brake disc pads), chain links/chain connector, rear derailleur hanger and any nonstandard parts specific to your bike.

#### Repairs

Whilst not essential, it is a good idea that you familiarise yourself with how to carry out at least some basic repairs to your bike e.g. changing an inner tube and fixing a puncture. Your bike guide will be happy to help with repairs and general maintenance, but being able to carry out a simple repair yourself could save the inconvenience of having to wait for assistance.

## Hydration and Energy Snacks

You should take 2 standard water bottles (we encourage re-filling water bottles rather than single use plastic) and also consider taking a small supply of the gels, power bars or sports drink mix that you would normally use on a ride at home.

Please contact us if you have any questions about your equipment.

## Land Only Information

Please refer to the 'Joining Arrangements & Transfers' within Holiday Information for further details.

Flights and other transport to your destination should not be booked until you have received your booking confirmation and the departure is showing 'Guaranteed to Run' or 'Limited'.

## Land Only Information

We sell this holiday on a Land Only basis allowing you the flexibility to choose the travel method which best suits you. The holiday starts at the hotel in Tochni and a single group transfer is provided from Larnaca Airport on Day 1. A single transfer back to Larnaca Airport from Pafos is also provided on Day 8.

# Why Choose KE

## Why KE

Take the road less travelled We are always on the look-out for new holiday ideas and we could see straight away Cyprus's potential for road cycling. The fact that no-one else is offering a packaged-up Cyprus road cycling holiday makes this one even more of a no-brainer!

Please Note This document was downloaded on 30/06/2025 and the trip is subject to change