## THE BIKE FLYER - A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



# 2020 San Diego and Willamette Valley Tours Still Open!

Are you getting tired of the rain and cold? Come join us for a week in sunny and warm San Diego! With beautiful routes along the ocean and bays to some short climbs up to spectacular views, this tour has it all. But this tour is designed to not only be enjoyed by cyclists but also by their non-riding partners. It is a fixed-base tour with our hotel in charming Old Town in the center of San Diego. There's so much to see and do in San Diego from its beautiful scenic beaches to its wonderful parks, museums, zoo, Sea World and many other attractions. And then there's the great ambience of shops and cafes.

Willamette Valley Tour—We've run a version of this very popular and beautiful, green tour several times in the past but never as a fixed-base tour. With the exception of one night, we will be staying at the same hotel in Salem. We will take loops out to the Oregon Gardens and Silver Falls State Park as well as loops to explore the rich pioneer history of this valley. Of course, there will be a winery route and one through several of the famous covered bridges. This is rated as an Easy/Intermediate tour with relatively short mileage days. The Willamette Valley is one of our favorite places to ride and we think you will love it, too!

You can always check the status of a tour on the website at: https://www.pegasusbiketours.com/tour-status.

## 2021 International Tours in Portugal and Holland are a Go!

We are ready to share some more information about our 2021 International Tours! We are so happy that we were again able to arrange for an incredible bike and barge tour through the heart of Holland. Our other European tour will be a fixed base tour in Portugal.

## 10-Day Algarve, Portugal Tour May, 2021



The Algarve, occupying the southwestern most corner of Europe, is Portugal's southernmost region bounded on two sides by the Atlantic Ocean and Spain on the east. It is

# 10-Day Best of Holland Bike & Barge Tour June 16-26, 2021



As the tour name indicates, we are going to be treated to the very best that Holland has to offer. This ten-day tour will highlight not only the natural beauty of these two provinces (North and South Holland) but also the history and architecture of this beautiful region. Our wonderful floating

### **ALGARVE TOUR DECRIPTION (CONT.)**

known for its pristine beaches and picturesque whitewashed fishing village on low cliffs overlooking sandy coves. The region's interior is rugged and will provide some challenging riding on very quiet roads. We will be exploring the southern coastline as well as the interior. On the Queen stage, we will climb up to Fóia, the highest point in the Algarve. Many of the smaller towns in the Algarve were founded by the Moors who left their mark in the area when they controlled much of the Iberian Peninsula. We will enjoy this cultural history of the region with stops in Loulé, Alcoutim, Salir, Silves, Castro Marim, and Monte Gordo among others. This 10-day tour features two rest days, one in the hills in the eastern most part of the Algarve, along the Spanish border and the other at the gorgeous Caldas Monchique spa. Our tour starts in Estoi, a short taxi ride from the airport in Faro. We will then meander first east to the Spanish border and then all the way to the southwesternmost corner of Portugal. Transportation will be provided to return us to Faro. For a preliminary tour description and itinerary, click here.



### **BEST OF HOLLAND TOUR DESCRIPTION (CONT.)**

hotel, Sarah will dock in and around the most important cities in Holland. We of course start and end in Amsterdam and then along our loop we will be visiting Alkmaar, Haarlem, Leiden, The Hague, Delft, Rotterdam and Gouda. But we will not only explore the bigger cities, this tour is also about picturesque villages and beautiful scenery. We will have time to explore each of these sometimes as we ride through them on our bikes, at other times with a guided evening walk led by our Dutch guide. For the art lovers, we will see where Rembrandt, Frans Hals, and Vermeer lived and worked. We will also enjoy Holland's beautiful coastline with its dunes and beaches.

This tour includes several major attractions: the open-air windmill museum of Zaanse Schans, a tour of a working windmill, the Cruquius Museum, the Delft porcelain works, the UNESCO site of Kinderdijk, a cheese-making farm and the world's largest flower market. We will definitely come away with not only an appreciation for bike and barge cruising but for everything that is Dutch. Click here for more detailed information



2020 PEGASUS BIKE TOURS SCHEDULE				
DATES	TOUR	LOCATION	LEVEL	STATUS
March 21-29	Discover San Diego	San Diego, CA	Intermediate	Open
April 30-May 4	4-Day Omak Hill Country	Omak, WA	Intermediate/Adv	Single Male
May 14-18	4-Day Eastern Washington	Chelan, WA	Intermediate/Adv	Wait List Only
June 1-10	Andalusia, Spain - Fixed Base	Ronda, Spain	Easy/Intermediate	Wait List Only
June 20-July 4	Bolzano-Venice, Italy Hybrid Tour	Bolzano, Italy	Easy/Intermediate	Wait List Only
August 8-16	Willamette Valley Tour	Salem, OR	Intermediate	Open
August 22-30	<u>Idaho Panhandle Tour</u>	Spokane, WA	Intermediate	Wait List Only