

10-Day Best of Bolivia (M-ID: 3801)

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from \$4,499.00

Dates and duration (days)

On request

10 days

10/07/2022 - 10/16/2022 10 days

05/19/2023 - 05/28/2023 10 days

This tour is for adventurous riders who are able to ride a little bit of every type of terrain. The scenery is other worldly and spectacular, even moon like at time. We ride both paved and unpaved roads and everything in between.

We will start in the low eastern plains of Bolivia and climb up the highest Andean peaks to ride the Altiplano. Highlights include the salt flats in Uyuni and the Silver mountain in Potosi. This one way expedition starts in Santa Cruz and ends in the world's highest located capital city called La Paz. There is an option to extend the tour by one day and do the famous and at times scary ride down the "Death Road" leading east out of La Paz. Let the adventure begin !

Itinerary:

Day 1: Welcome to Bolivia

Welcome to Bolivia, a land and people full of stunning contrasts! We'll personally pick everyone up at the airport and settle you into a hotel near our base in El Torno. After dinner we have an informal orientation & prep session followed by a good night's sleep.

Day 2: La Ruta del Che": El Torno to La Higuera (265 km/165 mi)

We'll spend the morning hours riding the slab, expect plenty of curves and a few grades with plenty of beautiful scenery before arriving to the town of Vallegrande. In the afternoon we'll leave the pavement and follow a dirt road all the way to the lonely mountain village of La Higuera, where the revolutionary "El Che" Guevara was executed in 1967. The road to La Higuera is a pilgrimage of sorts for the more adventuresome historians and admirers of "El Che." Upon reaching our days destination we'll settle into our rooms at the rustic, yet very comfortable Casa del Telegrafista, once home to the telegraph operator that informed the authorities of "El Che's" presence in the area.

Day 3: World's Largest Charango: La Higuera to Sucre (282

km/175 mi)

After a wonderful homemade breakfast we visit the memorial room in the schoolhouse where "El Che" was executed. Afterwards we pick up where we left off yesterday, as we continue to ride the back roads, leaving the department of Santa Cruz and crossing into the department of Chuquisaca at a bridge over a huge gorge. Along the way we stop for lunch in the town of Villa Serrano and admire what the town boasts as the world's largest charango (a small, stringed musical instrument of Andean origin that resembles a guitar). Once we reach the highway, we'll pick up the pace as we make our way to the city of Sucre, Bolivia's judicial capital. It's also known as "la ciudad blanca" (the white city) for the whitewashed walls of its pristine old city center. Its many churches and mansions from the 17th and 18th centuries still adorn the downtown streets.

Day 4: To the Silver City: Sucre to Potosi (155 km/97mi)

Before leaving town, we'll take a walk down to the central plaza and take a tour of the "Casa de la Libertad" (Liberty House). Leaving Sucre at an elevation of 2,750 meters (9,000 feet), we'll begin the slow climb up to the imperial city of Potosi, which sits at an elevation greater than 4,000 meters (13,000 feet). The entire city is an architectural treasure listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site and sits in the shadow of El Cerro Rico, the huge dome holding the richest silver mines in the history of the New World.

Day 5: Rest Day in Potosi (mint & mine tours)

No visit to Potosi is complete without a visit to the silver mines of Potosi, so after breakfast we'll do just that. Before entering the mines we'll suit up in our miners gear and make a quick trip to the miners market to pick up a few gifts for our miner friends (ie: coca leaves, dynamite and

alcohol). In the afternoon we recommend taking a tour of the "Casa de la Moneda" (The Mint) or you can choose to lay-low and rest back in our comfy hotel.

road- or any other condition that the operator or its guides feel will jeopardize the safety of the group or material.

Day 6: Potosi to Uyuni: Gateway to the World's Largest Salt Flats (204 km / 127 mi)

We do a good bit a climbing and descending today as we take the "new" highway all the way from Potosi to the old railroad town of Uyuni that sits on the outskirts of the worlds largest salt flats. Along the way keep your eyes open for vicuña as this is one of the areas they call home. On our last descent we'll get our first glimpse of the salt flats, that stretch as far as the eye can see.

Day 7: Ridin' the Flats: El Salar de Uyuni (175 km/109 mi)

On the edge of town we'll check out the train cemetery, before making the 20 kilometer (12 mile) ride to the village of Colchani, the entrance to the salt flats. We ride the salt flats following the Dakar route to Isla Incahuasi, the only island in the salt lake with ancient cactus plants, some over 500 years old. Lots of photo ops and lunch at Cactus Island. Our hotel tonight is located on the edge of the salt flats, so we can watch the sunset over the salt flats as we relax in the hotels pool. Make sure to bring your appetite as the food is gourmet and there's plenty of it.

Day 8: Heading North: Colchani to Oruro (300 km/186 mi)

Leaving Colchani we head straight north, along the way expect to see plenty of wildlife, namely llama, alpaca and the occasional vicuña. It's a long(ish) day in the saddle but the roads are in good shape, so we'll make good time as we ride to the city of Oruro, the capital city of the department of Oruro.

Day 9: The Great Altiplano: Oruro to La Paz (224 km/140 mi)

Pulling out of Oruro it's an easy ride cruising along the Altiplano (High Plains) region on tarmac to the city of La Paz, the highest capital city in the world, sitting at altitude of more that 3,600 meters, nearly 12,000 feet. We'll get settled into our hotel and take a tour of the city. After a farewell meal, it's time to pack our bags get a good night sleep before heading back home tomorrow.

Day 10: Departure Day (1) or Death Road Day Trip (191 km/118 mi)

For those that are heading home today, we'll make arrangements for you to get to the airport to catch your flight back home. For those that crave another day of adventure, we'll ride the infamous "Death Road." We slip out of the city and climb to the summit pass at an elevation of nearly 3 miles (4,700m/15,500ft.) and then plunge down the "Death Road." We'll make a drastic drop in elevation as the temperature rises. Along the way we'll try our hand at zip-lining high above the valley floors. After a quick lunch in the sub-tropical village of Yolosa, we'll take the "new" highway back to La Paz.

Extra Day: Departure Day (2)

For those who would appreciate the extra assistance, we'll take you from the hotel to catch your flight home at the airport. You'll want to stretch out your sore backside before you board your flight and flip through your pics as you grin (and groan) thinking of all the fun that was had. From here it's time to start planning your next adventure!

OBS:

Itinerary may change without further notice due to weather,

Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Combo On-/Offroad
Vehicle	motorcycle rent incl.
Tourguide / Coach	yes (guided)
Accommodation	Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	no, not incl.
Ferry	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	yes
Level of difficulty	medium difficult
Customer payment protection	yes
Countries	Bolivia
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

Pricing

per rider on Kawasaki KLR650 in shared/double room	\$4,499.00
per pillion passenger in shared twin/double room (pillion passengers cannot book without an accompanying rider)	\$2,249.00
per person single room (surcharge) - (surcharge, only available with an additional selection of the basic price "per rider in shared twin/double room")	\$499.00
1-day/night DeathRoad extension	\$499.00

Included

Small group sizes (Min 5 / Max 10)

Professional Multilingual Tour Leader

9 Nights accommodation in shared room (Upgrades available)

All Breakfasts

Base model Motorcycle Rental

Fuel and Road Tolls

Mandatory 3rd Party, Passenger and Rider Medical Insurance

Motorcycle Damage and Theft Liability Reduction Insurance

Group Activities and Entry Fees

Pre-tour Preparation Guide and Briefing

Transfers from/to Santa Cruz/La Paz International Airports (VVI/LPB)

Support Vehicle & Driver included

Apparel Gift

All taxes

Not included

Airfare

Upgrades

Lunches, Dinners and Drinks

Personal paperwork, permits and visas

Bikes are NOT available on rest-days

Medical Evacuation Membership (Available from Global Rescue)

Trip Cancellation Insurance (Available from Global Rescue)

Tips to staff

Everything that is not listed under features

More details

Difficulty: 75%

Off - Road: 40%

Comfort: 50%

Fun factor: 100%

Available motorcycle: Kawasaki KLR650

Tour details:

60% pavement, up to 40% on gravel, dirt and sandy tracks. Hundreds of curves and extremely scenic roads paved roads of varying quality. Rookie to expert riders and couples are very welcome on this tour. We stay in the best hotels available, at times basic, but clean, safe and practical location. Temperatures can vary between 12 to 40°C (53.6 F to 104°F). Temperatures can drop in the high altitudes. It is recommended to ride with all weather riding gear. A pull over rain suite is a good idea to carry against mountain temperatures and possible short rain showers that can occur year round.

NOTE: Starts in Santa Cruz and ends in La Paz. One-way tour!