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### **Etape du Tour “Annecy” 3-night guided package**

3-night package: July 6<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

It's time to cross “Participate in the world's greatest *gran fondo*” off your to-do list! Join us — and thousands of other passionate cyclists — for the 2018 Etape du Tour, and ride Stage 10 (Annecy to Le Grand Bornand) before the pros hit the road. Our professional mechanics will be there to keep you in top shape, so you can keep your eye on the prize: completing this year's sensational route. And as we're based in the French Alps, you'll be riding in our playground! You'll benefit from our local knowledge and guidance as you prepare for the challenge of a lifetime.

Over the 169 km (105 miles), you'll be pushed to the limit on some of the most breathtaking (in both senses!) passes in the French Alps, starting with a cycle along Lake Annecy followed by the picturesque Col de la Croix Fry. It really ramps up with the climb to the Plateau des Glières, a historic WWII landmark; here, be aware of an unpaved section that is pretty rough. Perhaps the most challenging climb today is the Col de Romme, which has some very steep sections (14% gradient!). From here, it's a short climb to the final Col of the route, La Colombière; however, the last 3 kilometers can be daunting. Finally, a chance to catch your breath as gravity brings you down to the finish line in Le Grand Bornand. With more than 4,000 meters (13,000 ft) of climbing, this stage is probably one of the most scenic stages offered by the organizers.

Unlike previous years, we have limited our package to a very small group (the maximum number of people we can accommodate is 20), while keeping the same number of staff. This decision is based on maximizing clients' experience by providing an unmatched level of service.

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#### **Friday, July 6: Arrive in Annecy**

Arrive in Annecy at your convenience (transfers from Geneva can be arranged) and check in at your hotel. If time allows and you're feeling up for it, you may choose to ride one of our optional rides on your own. Just make sure to return by late afternoon, when our mechanics will be available to tune your bike. We'll have dinner together at a restaurant in town in the evening.

#### **Saturday, July 7: Pick up your bib number**

As the Étape Village will conveniently be set up in Annecy, feel free to bike or walk over to pick up your bib number. Take advantage of your free time to check the Étape du Tour Village, a veritable World's Fair for cyclists. Riders from all over the globe will mingle as you make your way to pick up your race bib. Soak up the atmosphere and explore the exhibitors' tents before heading back to your hotel. Our mechanics will be on hand again for last minute tuning. Dinner will be early so you'll have plenty of time to rest—tomorrow is the big day!

#### **Sunday, July 8: Ride the Étape du Tour**

As comfortable as your bed may be, today's the day to leap out and head down to breakfast without delay. It's race day, and you'll need all the energy your hearty meal provides! Ride your way to the start of the Etape and take a moment to get mentally prepared. After your incredible feat is accomplished, find

our base down in Le Grand Bornand and refuel on the provided snacks and refreshments—before we transfer you back to your hotel.

**Monday, July 9: Departure**

After breakfast, depart at the time of your choice. If needed, we can arrange your return transfer to Geneva.

**Pricing:** 715 euros per person sharing a twin-type room. Single supplement is 250 euros.

This price includes:

- 3 nights' accommodation in a 3-star property
- Daily breakfast
- Daily dinner (drinks are not included)
- Post-race transfer from Le Grand Bornand to your hotel on July 8<sup>th</sup>
- Mechanic services on July 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>
- Guide services throughout your trip
- All taxes and service charges

This price does not include:

- Expenses of a personal nature
- Travel insurance
- Entry to the Etape du Tour
- Bicycle rentals. Wilier GTR (with Ultegra) can be arranged at the rate of 150 euros per bike.
- Transfers from and to Geneva

Your hotel:

Hôtel le Flamboyant\*\*\*

52 rue des Mouettes

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