

ADV-X



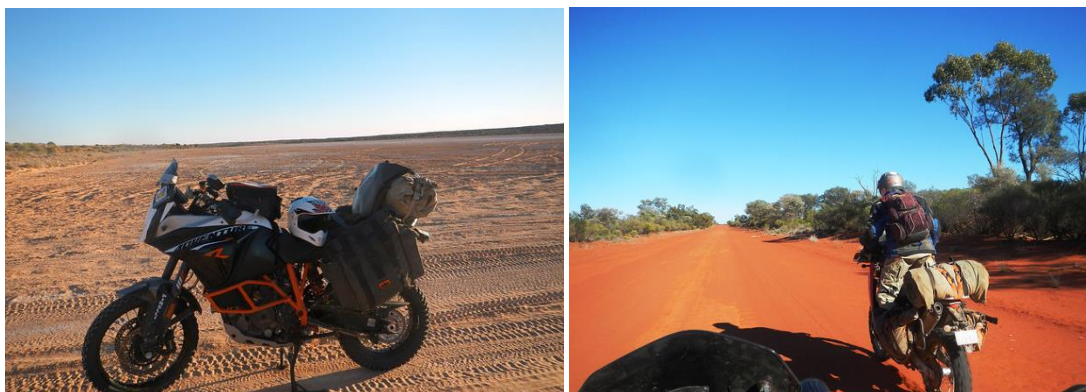
ADV-X – Perth to Byron Bay – 30th May 2020

Limited places

The ADV-X 2020 is riding on some tracks that may not be available in the near future. The fuel stops that are currently 500km apart are now doing it very tough because all of the locals have moved to major towns.

This ride will turn many people's dreams into a reality. We know the hardest thing is to find mates who you can ride with and are same pace as you. What makes our rides special are the people you meet on the way. With our no corner man and no regrouping system you simply ride at your own pace and the riders who are around you at the end of day 1 are your perfect ride partners. What is happening at the back is not your problem, if you get to the destination a day earlier then that's great.

The key about this trip is that it is in very remote areas; knowing that you have a backup vehicle coming is a great relief and a huge saving on costs if you break down. Having a pink line telling you where to go really adds to the adventure because you can ride for hours by yourself if that's what you want.



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Starting Point – Perth, 30th May 2020 - The Logistics made easy!!!

Bikes will be shipped either from Brisbane, Sydney or Melbourne to Perth. Riders will fly to Perth on 29th May and then jump on their bikes the following day (all riding gear and camping gear will go into the containers with bikes) loaded 3 weeks in advance.



Brief

7500km – Start point Perth – Finish point Byron Bay

What is included: Great GPS tracks, back up vehicles, remote desert fuel stop and mechanical support, experienced guides, backup crew and experience the Finke Desert Race.

Easy low cost logistics is a key part of this trip.

The trip is broken into 6 stages. We will use the APC Rally system where riders go at their own pace. Riders will start when they have their gear sorted in Perth. Then have no regroup till Alice Springs. We will watch the Finke desert race for 2 days then some of the group may elect to go round the Simpson others will go straight through it. There will be no more regroups till Byron Bay. An average rider will get to Byron Bay on Saturday 13th and then have the Sunday to ride home. The no regroups save delays at fuel and food stops.

1. **Perth to Steep Point** – 1200km of W.A coast
2. **Steep point to Ayres rock** – 3000km of desert riding including the Gunbarrel
3. **Finke Desert Race** – real insight into the KTM race team
4. **Simpson Desert crossing** – it's the Simpson Desert...what more can be said
5. **Birdsville to Hebel** – good Western country riding
6. **Hebel to Byron Bay** – Northern NSW Rivers country



How do I know I am good enough?

It would be fair to say that many riders don't know whether they can handle the Simpson Desert on a fully loaded bike. We have designed the course so on the first day you will be tested in the sand on the Western Australia coast line which has magnificent scenery. The bitumen is only 5 km from the track so if it's too hard you can get on the bitumen for a rest and then get back on the track further up the coast. If this occurs you will know that 513 km of sand riding may not be fun, but no need to worry we have an alternate route around the Simpson planned. This trip has 14 great riding sections the Simpson is just one of them.

When riding this course camping is required 70% of the time. There is simply no other option. **The fuel range required is 520 km of normal going.**

We will use the forum and the magazine on how to set bikes up for this ride. An overloaded bike will simply brake down after 2 days on this course.

Bike transport

We are using Bikes Only because they are Australia's best bike transport company. We have arranged for bikes to be shipped from Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide.

Please see our [Bike Transport Guide](#) which details prices, cut off times and the address for the relevant depot.

All riders will need to be prepared to deliver bikes 4-6 weeks prior to the start of the event – they must be delivered to the transport Depots in each major city. It is important that you get your bike ready in plenty of time so it can be shipped to Perth/Alice Springs.

Riders will need to have up to 5 litres of fuel in the tank. Batteries do not need to be disconnected. Soft panniers and tank bags can be left on the bike.

Once you have completed the event – made it to Byron Bay – you can have your bike shipped home from the Gold Coast Airport. We have made arrangements with Bikes Only to have the bikes shipped home.

If you wish to have your bike shipped home, you must be at the Gold Coast Airport by 14th June 2020 between 2:00pm and 4:00pm.

Accommodation – must be booked in advance

We strongly recommend that you arrive in Perth a couple of days before we head off. As mentioned above, we are holding a pre-event dinner in Perth on 29th May – we would recommend that you arrive in Perth at least by 28th May – you must be in Perth by 29th May at the very latest.

If you are joining us at Alice Springs, we would suggest you get there by 6th June. You definitely need to be in the Alice by 7th at the very latest.

The extra day or two will give you time to make sure you have all of your gear in order and also to give your bike a run – make sure it is in good shape. You don't want to leave everything to the last minute.

Perth

Country Comfort Inter City, 249 Great Eastern Highway, Belmont WA 6104

Tel: 08 9478 0888

Web: <http://www.silverneedlehotels.com/countrycomfort/perth-inter-city/Pages/Home.aspx>

Alice Springs

Hilton Double Tree Hotel, 82 Barrett Drive, Alice Springs

Tel: 08 8950 8000

Web: <http://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/northern-territory/doubletree-by-hilton-hotel-alice-springs-ASPDADI/index.html>

GPS Loading

Riders are required to send their GPS units by post to:

APC Rally, PO Box 785, Bulimba Qld 4171

We will load the relevant map details onto your GPS units. You must send your GPS unit to us between 1st and 14th April 2015.



Finke Desert Race

This is something not to be missed.



Ride budget outside your entry cost and bike freight cost

- Flight to Perth \$250
- Accommodation in Perth \$80
- Accommodation in Alice Springs \$80
- Accommodation in Byron \$80
- Fuel and Food approx \$100 per day
- Desert Pass \$150
- Tyres in Alice \$300

On this trip there is a lot of camping - you simply pull over on the side of the track light a fire and roll out your swag. For the last 200 years everyone on these tracks has done the same. For 40,000 years they have done the same thing except no swag. Camping gear should be a spoon, Leatherman, quart pot and three cans of stew. Enjoy!!

Some links riders will need

Desert parks pass: [Click Here](#)

RACQ Ultimate: [Click Here](#)

Paraplegic Benefit Fund: [Click Here](#)



Here are some stats

1. This ride is 7,000 km
2. You will do it in 14 days. It is simply the pinnacle of adventure bike riding in Australia.
3. There are 3 deserts you are crossing . The Western Australia coast line is simply a must see world heritage area that very few Australians get to see.
4. APC Rally is a business where we pre ride tracks to find the best way possible. Other tour companies have better support but the truth is they cover far less country because the vehicles must catch the riders each day to give this extra support.
5. This trip is all about the riding, we will always have a cold beer and a warm meal and a bed if its available . Your expectations of support needs to be right for this trip. If a rider turns up with limited ability or a bike that is not prepared perfectly and they are carrying to much gear they will not last a day. All bikes will need to be prepared for the most extreme conditions on the planet.
6. You need to always have 5 litres of water on you and enough rations for 48 hours. At most fuel stops you can buy food but it's just cans. You are really out in some of the most remote country in the world and a warm cup of water is a luxury for people who live here.
7. Our support can only really extend to getting you and your bike out if you run into trouble or it runs into you! There will be more detailed information for those who enter.

Goodluck. For some this is the start of their adventure >>>

