

Our 2023 End of Season Newsletter



End of Season Review ... Newsletter Issue: Nov 2023



It's now at the end of our 2023 season and so, here a little bit of 'end of year' feeling is in the air. It probably means that we manage to show about just a little bit before we start getting into plans for 2024. At the end of last year, we thought it might be our biggest year ever with all the Covid catch-up hours that we had on our books but, this year, they haven't all been logged.

That has meant even more nights away from home and time and, even more nights under the stars but, you'll hear few complaints from us. It has also meant meeting some wonderful customers, both new and returning and, ones that brought others back with them. This has resulted in fantastic reports from so favourable parties and, through a few new ones onto the Fellow Velo Map.

A little flavour of those reports are reflected in the collage above, including our season here in Corsica - more on that later.

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Some 2023 Highlights

The 'Big Trip' - the ones that reminded us of the long hours that first got us into cycling and, were the catalyst for Fellow Velo ever happening.

- A magnificent visit of Provence that early in the season that managed to peak in time of the area's Big Ride, Mont Ventoux, the Gorge de la Vézère and a visit of the Cevennes du Vivarais.
- More than one tour through the Alps, with one of them being on the shores of the spectacular Roche des Grands Alpes.



Some particular 2023 thanks ...

We of course want to thank all of our customers from this season, for choosing Fellow Velo, from all of the options that are out there but, each season also brings a few moments that add to our own story. As a very small cycling company, we cover almost all of the elements of a cycle tour 'to-here' but sometimes, other partnerships definitely add to the mix.

- We made a great fix this year with Hubert at Hubert's Cycling, it turned out that we already had mutual friends but, when we needed to bring in some really high-end bikes, we'd definitely found 'Our Man in Provence'!
- Another like thanks goes to J. Williams near Avignon, who rescued one of our long distance tours following an unexpected saddle rail collapse.
- We're ever grateful for the links we make with superb accommodation providers all across France but, a special mention to a fabulous new one to us - La Duffinette in Moulins-Saint-Jean.
- And, last but not least, the lovely couple in the top-right corner who very kindly entertained one of our tour groups on route to Mont St Michel from Paris. They'd stopped at the end of the day thinking the house was their childhood's home for the night and, spent an hour together before really working out that they were just 50m too far along the way. :-)



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Corsica 2023 + 7

This year saw Fellow Velo on Corsica for the first time and, we really should be asking ourselves why it had taken so long!

The friends in our season were a superb trip exploring the island. It's not for the faint-hearted cyclist but the scenery is pretty spectacular around almost every corner.

A quick glance at the map may well let you know that it's not flat like a pancake but, both east and west around the valleys, views and paths could see that it definitely has plenty to offer. If your legs are in great shape or you want a goal to help you get them there or top on a 1000m (or so) a day then, Corsica is a cycling dream.

We used the trip as an exploring option for future tours as, it tooks like the place for you then, those about making your next adventure an 'island adventure' (and, we're still here for the rest of France too!)

Cycling Prose or Poetry

We've not done this before with our 'Fellow Velo' cycle but, among our many personal activities reviews this year, the really strange how we have a climbing couple who'd taken the plunge on their first ever cycling trip.

"It's like cycling near there a 5 Star company. Fellow Velo provided us with one of the most enjoyable holidays we have had. Everything was organized to perfection. The location was stunning, the cycling experience and scenery, in equal measure, the accommodation and hosts were superb. We couldn't have asked for more. Highly recommend Fellow Velo as anyone looking for cycling days in France."

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