

CLIP-IN *With* CHRISTIAN

THE LITTLE NELL - ASPEN, COLORADO

AUGUST 8 - 15, 2021



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 - ARRIVAL DAY

10 AM - 5 PM Audi Test Drives in the Lower Gondola Plaza	2 - 5 PM Ventum Bike Fitting in the Grand Salon	4 PM Hotel Check-In	5 PM Option for a Group Warm Up Ride	7 PM Welcome Reception in The Wine Bar and Terrace - Presented by Hublot
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MONDAY, AUGUST 9

7 - 9 AM Coffee Bar + Breakfast To Go in The Wine Bar	8:45 AM Meet in the Lower Gondola Plaza	9 AM ROAD RIDE Pro Cycling Challenge Loop	1 PM Lunch at Element 47	7 PM Dinner at Ajax Tavern
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 10

7 - 9 AM Coffee Bar + Breakfast To Go in The Wine Bar	8:45 AM Meet in the Lower Gondola Plaza	9 AM ROAD RIDE Ashcroft Out + Back	1 PM Lunch at Element 47	7 PM Dinner at Ajax Tavern
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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

7 - 9 AM Coffee Bar + Breakfast To Go in The Wine Bar	8:45 AM Meet in the Lower Gondola Plaza	9 AM ROAD RIDE Independence Pass	1 PM Lunch at Element 47	7 PM Dinner at Ajax Tavern
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

REST DAY

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

7 - 9 AM Coffee Bar + Breakfast To Go in The Wine Bar	8:45 AM Meet in the Lower Gondola Plaza	9 AM GRAVEL RIDE Lenado Out + Back	1 PM Lunch at Ajax Tavern	7 PM Dinner at Element 47
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 14




7 - 9 AM Coffee Bar + Breakfast To Go in The Wine Bar	8:45 AM Meet in the Lower Gondola Plaza	9 AM GRAVEL RIDE Woody Creek Loop	1 PM Lunch at Ajax Tavern	7 PM Farewell Dinner at Element 47 *Cocktail Attire
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 15 - DEPARTURE DAY



12 PM Hotel Check-Out

*Please note, times are subject to change.

RIDING DETAILS

MONDAY, AUGUST 9 USA PRO CYCLING CHALLENGE LOOP - ROAD RIDE TOPO KIT	TUESDAY, AUGUST 10 ASHCROFT OUT + BACK - ROAD RIDE STRIPES KIT	WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11 INDEPENDENCE PASS - ROAD RIDE FLORAL KIT																		
<p>TOTAL DISTANCE: 24 MILES TOTAL ASCENT: 2,682 FEET</p> <p>Ride the same route that Christian rode in stage 1 of the 2013 USA Pro Cycling Challenge. From The Little Nell, ride west towards Buttermilk and climb up Owl Creek Road towards Snowmass Village. At Anderson Ranch, take a right and descend Brush Creek Road on the bike path until you reach Medicine Bow Road on your left. Climb the hill until you intersect with Juniper Hill Road then take a right to descend to Cozy Point Ranch where we cross Highway 82. Ride down Smith Hill Way then begin the climb up to McLain Flats Road. Traverse McLain Flats until it turns into Cemetery Lane. Climb the hill and join the bike path back to Aspen.</p>	<p>TOTAL DISTANCE: 28 MILES TOTAL ASCENT: 2,003 FEET</p> <p>Depart from The Little Nell and ride 1.5 miles west to the start of Castle Creek Road. This road meanders uphill through the beautiful Castle Creek valley, along its namesake creek. Approximately 11 miles up the road, you'll pass the ghost town of Ashcroft where you can still see some of the historic mining cabins. Continue past Ashcroft for a couple of miles until the pavement meets the gravel and the road forks. A SAG wagon will be stopped here as the designated spot for your U-turn back to the hotel.</p>	<p>TOTAL DISTANCE: 38.9 MILES TOTAL ASCENT: 4,592 FEET</p> <p>For our final road ride we'll ascend Independence Pass, the highest paved pass in North America.</p> <p>ROUTE FROM TOWN Rest stop 1: 13.6 miles, Lower Lost Man Rest stop 2: 19.5 miles, Top of Independence Pass</p> <p>Round trip from Independence Gate back to Town: 33.37 Miles Total ascent: 3396 ft</p> <p>ROUTE FROM GATE Rest stop 1: 4.22 miles, Lincoln Creek Rest stop 2: 8.07 miles, Lower Lost Man Rest Stop 3: 13.97 miles, Top of Independence Pass</p>																		
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RIDING DETAILS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12 REST DAY	FRIDAY, AUGUST 13 LENADO OUT + BACK - GRAVEL RIDE TOPO KIT	SATURDAY, AUGUST 14 WOODY CREEK LOOP - GRAVEL RIDE FLORAL KIT												
<p>REST DAY</p>	<p>TOTAL DISTANCE: 34 MILES TOTAL ASCENT: 1,998 FEET</p> <p>Our first gravel ride will depart from the hotel and head west to Cemetery Lane and the Rio Grande Bike Path. It continues all the way to Woody Creek then takes a hairpin turn right on Lenado Road. You'll continue up the road, riding the gravel through Lenado Townsite marked by its mining cabins. Go a half-mile farther to reach a parking lot, which is the turnaround point. A Nell SAG wagon will be parked here to provide any necessities for the return back to the hotel following the same route.</p>	<p>TOTAL DISTANCE: 35.3 MILES TOTAL ASCENT: 3,077 FEET</p> <p>This ride departs from the hotel and heads west to Cemetery Lane and the Rio Grande Bike Path. It continues all the way to Woody Creek on the bike path until taking a left on Gerbaz Way Road to an underpass under Highway 82. Continue on Watson Divide, riding to the top and then down to Snowmass Creek Road and go left. The gravel road rides alongside the backside of the resort then goes left at the top of the Divide and into Snowmass Village. Descend to Brush Creek Road and go right on Owl Creek Road to join the bike path all the way to the airport. Just across the street, access Butterline singletrack trail, which you'll ride to the Buttermilk parking lot then head up Buttermilk Mountain. Take a left on the dirt road to Tiehack then cross the Terrall-Wade Bridge, pass the rec center, ride through the school campus and go right on the bike path back to the hotel.</p>												
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CAMP INFORMATION

HOTEL CHECK-IN:

Hotel check-in is at 4 pm. If you arrive early and your room is not ready, you are welcome to leave your bags with the bell staff.

EVENTS:

Dress code is casual for all events, with the exception of Saturday night's dinner, which is cocktail attire. Dress warmly and bring extra layers, as most meals are outdoors.

BREAKFAST:

Each morning, enjoy our coffee bar and breakfast to-go in The Wine Bar. Please note, there are no meals provided on the rest day - Thursday, August 12.

CYCLIST SUPPORT:

Riders will be accompanied every step of the way by our pros and team mechanic, plus support vehicles stocked with food, beverages and spare parts. Rest assured, no rider will be left behind.

WATER BOTTLES:

Two water bottles will be provided daily to each rider to keep you adequately hydrated. Each morning, one bottle will be prepared with Skratch energy drink mix, and the other with water and may be replenished throughout the ride. Please let us know if you have additional requests.

PHOTOS:

Don't forget to smile as you ride, as our official photographer Steve Goff will be capturing all the action throughout the camp! We'll share a link to all photos post-camp.

KITS:

Three Giro cycling kits will be provided to all camp participants. Please check the ride schedule to see which kit to wear each day.

LAUNDRY:

For hotel guests, we will launder your cycling kits at the end of each day with our compliments. Please dial Concierge (x 6365) to arrange for a laundry pick up.

GEAR BAG:

A gear bag with gifts will be provided for your convenience. Each morning, please pack any clothing or items you would like to send along in the SAG wagon and bring it with you to the front drive. Gear bags will travel alongside riders in accompanying vehicles and be accessible at designated stops. An extra layer is recommended for the ride down Independence Pass.



THE LITTLE NELL

PLEASE CONTACT US IF WE MAY PROVIDE ASSISTANCE DURING YOUR STAY:

DIRECTOR OF EVENTS | SHAWNA ROCKEY | 970.544.6256

CONCIERGE | 970.920.6365

TRANSPORTATION | 970.920.6304

HEALTH CENTER | 970.920.6390



PACKING LIST

ON THE BIKE

- Cycling jerseys or athletic shirts (for arrival day ride)
- Cycling shorts (for arrival day ride)
- Cycling shoes (if you bring your own pedals)
- Sneakers (if you don't bring your own pedals)
- Athletic socks
- Lightweight, waterproof, wind-resistant jacket or vest
- Bike saddle/cover (if you prefer your own)

OFF THE BIKE

- Walking shoes
- Long and short-sleeved shirts
- Sweater/jacket for evenings
- Dinner attire (dressy casual) + dress shoes
- Swimsuit

TRAVEL ITEMS*

- Emergency contacts
- Health insurance information
- Medications

*We recommend keeping these items in your carry-on while traveling

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- Cell phone and charger
- Photography gear and charger
- Power cord
- Toiletries
- Sunscreen, sunglasses, and other sun protection gear
- Insect repellent
- Chamois Cream

WHAT WE PROVIDE

- Cycling jerseys (3)
- Cycling bibs (3)
- Cycling socks (3)
- Cycling gloves (1)
- Bike
- Saddle
- Water bottle
- Snacks/nutrition for each ride
- Gear bag
- Helmet

DO I NEED TO BRING SPECIAL CYCLING GEAR?

- Be sure to bring your own cycling shoes and pedals. If you have never used clipless pedals before, we do not recommend trying them for this first time on this trip.

DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER

- Aspen's weather can range in temperature from chilly mornings to hot days. Check extended forecasts before your trip and pack accordingly.

NOTES:

CLIP-IN WITH CHRISTIAN - MEET THE TALENT



CHRISTIAN VANDE VELDE

The son of U.S. Bicycling Hall of Fame inductee, John Vande Velde, Christian was raised on cycling and began riding at age 16. He has competed in most major cycling events including the World Cup, all three Grand Tours, two Olympic Games, eleven Tours de France (including two team victories and 4th and 7th best finishes) and won the 2012 USA Pro Challenge. Currently, Christian works as an analyst for NBC Sports for the Tour de France and the Olympics and is a guest instructor for Peloton. This is his 7th time leading The Nell's signature cycling camp. Instagram: @christianvvd



DIAA NOUR

An accomplished businessman and lifelong athlete, Diaa co-founded Ventum LLC in 2015 after successfully exiting the telecom sector. Ventum began as a passion project seeking to change the bike industry by introducing new aerodynamic technology and the first triathlon-specific bike. As CEO of Ventum, Diaa has grown the business from a humble start-up in Miami to its current headquarters in Utah. He's led the development of the innovative NS1 road bike and recent introduction of the GS1 gravel bike, both of which are the official camp bikes for Clip-In. Instagram: @diaa10



MARI HOLDEN

After many years racing her bike and directing teams, Mari is the USA Cycling Community Director in Colorado Springs, having shifted gears to focus on giving more people an opportunity to ride bikes. Her main project at USA Cycling is launching a nationwide campaign called "Let's Ride" to teach bicycle skills and safety to elementary school kids. Mari is an Olympic medalist, World Champion for Road Cycling Time Trial and six-time National Champion for Road and Time Trial. This is Mari's first year as a pro for Clip-In.

Instagram: @msmariholden



KATHY PRUITT

A World Champion and National Champion Downhill Mountain Biker and Single Speed Cyclocross National Champion, Kathy is now racing endurance gravel. The Northern California native has been a lifelong two wheeled racer and adventurer. Kathy grew up racing motorcycles and transitioned to mountain biking at age 14. After 10+ years of competing on the World Cup circuit, she moved into marketing and sales in the bike industry and also coached mountain biking. In 2020, she made the jump back into competition and bike racing. This is Kathy's first year as a pro for Clip-In. Instagram: @kathypruitt



BARRETT BRANDON

Barrett joined Ventum in 2019 after working in the Healthcare and Independent Service Organization space, and currently serves as the CFO. A former professional triathlete, he competed for eight years all over the world in competitions from Olympic distance to Ironman. These days loves anything that involves two wheels and a gravel road. He most recently completed the 206-mile Unbound Gravel Race in Emporia Kansas. You can find him most weekends at your local gravel race or in the mountains riding his bike up the steepest climbs you can find. Instagram: @barrettbrandon_

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THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



Ventum is providing the use of their state-of-the-art NS1 road bikes and GS1 gravel bikes along with the support of a bike fitter and mechanic. *For participants who book our Full Camp Package.



Giro is known for its high-performance cycling gear. As our official helmet and kit sponsor, Giro is providing a Helios Spherical helmet and three custom kits for each participant.



Hublot is the official timekeeper of Aspen Snowmass, parent company to The Little Nell. They are the proud presenters of the opening reception on Sunday evening.



SkratchLabs makes sports nutrition designed to help you perform and feel better, using real food from scratch. They are providing water bottles, hydration mix, and road snacks for all of the rides.