



# **RIDE BEYOND** **THE GREAT** **SOUTH ISLAND** **RAID**

## **TOUR OVERVIEW GUIDE**

**South Island | New Zealand**

**7 Days | 2,050 km**

# Ride Beyond

## The Great South Island Raid

Ride Beyond is Moto V2's interpretation of the New Zealand South Island - a journey built around flow, scenery, and considered riding.

This tour is designed for riders who want to experience the South Island properly:  
from coastal roads and alpine passes to remote backcountry gravel - without pressure, posturing, or unnecessary mileage.

The South Island isn't experienced by collecting highlights, but by staying present as the landscape unfolds - coastlines giving way to alpine passes, forests opening into high country, sealed roads dissolving briefly into gravel, then returning again.

Every day has been planned with intention.

Every route has been ridden, reviewed, and refined.



## Welcome to the Ride Beyond





# THE MOTO V2 WAY

The South Island rewards patience.

Roads here aren't about constant intensity - they're about progression.

Long coastlines that slowly tighten into mountain passes.

Wide valleys that narrow into remote backcountry.

Sealed roads that occasionally give way to gravel - then return again.

Ride Beyond is designed to respect that rhythm.

Rather than forcing excitement into every kilometre, this journey is built to let the landscape do the work – allowing riders to settle into flow, maintain focus, and stay connected to the ride for the full seven days.

## What Defines the Experience



### Not just raw mileage

The goal is not how far we ride, but how well the roads ride back.



### Designed For Flow

Every day is shaped around elevation, camber and momentum



### Gravel as texture, not difficulty

Unsealed sections are chosen to add character and depth - never stress.



### Tired in the Right Way

You finish days satisfied and switched on from riding well, not enduring long transfers.



# REGIONS YOU WILL RIDE THROUGH

## Canterbury & the East Coast

Open roads, rolling farmland, and expansive skies set the tone early in the ride. This region allows riders to settle into rhythm before the landscape begins to rise.

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## Kaikōura & the Northern Ranges

Coastal riding gives way to alpine foothills and inland valleys. The roads tighten slightly, elevation increases, and the scenery begins to shift.

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## The West Coast

Rainforests, rivers, and dramatic mountain backdrops define this stretch. The riding here is immersive - quiet, flowing, and visually rich.

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## Haast Pass & Central Otago

One of the most memorable transitions of the tour. Dense forest opens into wide alpine valleys, glacial rivers, and long, sweeping roads that reward smooth inputs and steady focus.

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## Southern & High Country Backroads

Historic towns, open plains, and remote backcountry routes add depth to the ride - including a classic high-country gravel pass that captures the spirit of South Island adventure riding.

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## Lake Tekapo & the Mackenzie Basin

The journey slows again as the landscape opens. Clear air, long sightlines, and alpine lakes provide a fitting backdrop for the final stages of the ride.

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## Distance & Daily Flow

- Total distance: ~2,050 km
  - Daily saddle time: ~4.5–5.5 hours
  - Pacing: Relaxed, progressive, and consistent
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## A Note on Navigation

Routes are planned in advance and guided throughout the tour.

Riders are free to enjoy the ride without worrying about navigation, timing, or regrouping.

Detailed day-by-day routes are shared ahead of the tour once bookings are confirmed.

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## Why This Route Works

This isn't a loop designed to look impressive on a map.

It's a route designed to ride well, day after day - building momentum, not pressure.

Each region complements the next.

Each day leaves space for the one that follows.

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## Who This Tour Is For

Ride Beyond is suited to riders who value the quality of the ride over the quantity of kilometres - who enjoy staying present on the road, riding consistently, and finishing each day satisfied rather than depleted.

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## Gravel & Terrain Expectations

Ride Beyond includes a mix of sealed roads and select backcountry gravel - introduced deliberately to add texture, depth, and a sense of place to the journey.

Gravel is part of the South Island experience.

On this tour, it's approached with care, clarity, and intention.

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### What the Gravel Is Like

Unsealed sections on this tour are:

- Well-formed and confidence-building
- Typically wide enough for relaxed group riding
- Remote, scenic, and lightly trafficked
- Ridden at a steady, predictable pace

The key gravel highlight is a high-country backroad pass, offering expansive views and a true sense of riding through the South Island's interior.

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### What the Gravel Is Not

To set clear expectations, gravel on this tour is not:

- Deep sand or mud
- Technical off-road terrain
- Steep, rocky climbs
- Timed or competitive

This is not an off-road expedition.

It's adventure riding done properly.

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### Why Gravel Matters Here

Gravel isn't included to make the ride harder.

It's included to slow the journey in the right places, open up landscapes sealed roads don't reach, and add contrast that makes the sealed sections feel even better.

## Conditions & Variability

Weather and road conditions can change quickly in alpine and backcountry areas.

Depending on conditions, gravel may be:

- Dry and fast-flowing
- Dusty in warmer weather

Firm but slippery after rain

Routes may be adjusted on the day if required to maintain safety and flow.

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## How We Ride Gravel as a Group

To keep the experience relaxed and enjoyable:

- Clear spacing is maintained between riders
- The lead sets a calm, consistent pace
- The sweep ensures no rider is left behind
- Regroup points are used regularly

You're never expected to ride beyond your comfort level.

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## Rider Readiness

This tour is best suited to riders who are:

- Comfortable riding at highway speeds
- Confident on sealed mountain roads
- Open to riding manageable gravel at a relaxed pace

Previous gravel experience is helpful.



## Daily Riding Rhythm & Support

Ride Beyond follows a consistent daily rhythm designed to keep the ride enjoyable from the first morning to the final day.

## Pacing & Group Flow

Pace is set deliberately:

- Fast enough to feel engaging
- Relaxed enough to stay smooth
- Consistent enough to avoid fatigue

Riders are encouraged to:

- Ride their own ride
- Maintain spacing
- Focus on flow rather than speed

No one is pushed to keep up. No one is left behind.

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## Lead & Sweep Support

The tour runs with a lead and sweep structure:

- **Lead rider:** Sets pace, timing, and regroup points.
- **Sweep rider:** Rides at the back of the group, assists with minor issues, and ensures no rider is separated.

This allows riders to relax into the day without worrying about navigation, timing, or group management.



## Briefings & Communication

Each day begins with a short briefing covering:

- Route highlights
- Fuel and lunch planning
- Gravel sections (if any)

Weather considerations

Clear expectations mean fewer surprises - and better riding.

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## Flexibility on the Day

Conditions in the South Island can change quickly.

If needed, adjustments may be made to:

- Avoid weather systems
- Improve road conditions
- Maintain safety and group flow

These decisions are always made with the goal of preserving the quality of the ride.

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## Accommodation, Evenings & Recovery

Where you stop matters as much as how you ride.

Each night on Ride Beyond is planned to support recovery, reflection, and readiness for the next day - without forcing structure where it isn't needed.

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### Accommodation Philosophy

Accommodation on this tour is:

- Comfortable and rider-friendly
- Chosen for location, atmosphere, and rest value
- Close to food options and town centres where possible

We avoid generic, highway-style stops.

Each stay is selected to complement the day's ride and allow riders to properly switch off.

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### Room configuration

Pricing differs depending on whether you choose twin-share accommodation or single (private) accommodation. This allows riders to select the level of privacy and comfort that suits them best.

To ensure accuracy and flexibility, **specific accommodation details are shared after a booking is confirmed or upon submitting a genuine enquiry.**



## Arrival Night & Group Dinner

The tour includes:

- Arrival night accommodation before Day 1.
- One welcome dinner to meet the group, align expectations, and settle into the journey ahead.

This is the only hosted group meal on the tour.

During riding days, most breakfasts and lunches are planned at rider-friendly cafés and towns along the route. These stops are chosen for convenience, quality, and pacing - allowing the group to stay together without forcing fixed menus or timings.

Meals at these stops are paid individually by riders, keeping choice and flexibility intact. Evening meals (outside the welcome dinner) are also at each rider's discretion.

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## Evenings on the Road

Most evenings are intentionally unstructured.

Riders are free to:

- Explore the town
- Eat locally
- Rest early
- Share stories from the day's ride

This flexibility allows everyone to recharge in their own way.

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## Pricing & Payment

### Choose your Ride Tier

Three rider-focused tiers.

Your tour price varies based on the motorcycle you choose.

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### YOUR ADVENTURE TIER



#### Adventurer

Lightweight, confidence-inspiring motorcycles that are easy to ride and perfect for flowing mountain roads and long, relaxed days in the saddle.

Ideal for:

- Riders new to multi-day touring.
- Lightweight handling and easy control.
- Maximum value with no compromise on experience.

**AUD \$3200 or USD \$2300**

Motorcycles: BMW 750 GS (Low), Honda Transalp, Yamaha Tenere 700



**Pillion riders** are welcome - at a genuinely minimal additional cost - because adventures are better shared.

**AUD \$1500 or USD \$1040**

## Explorer

A superb all-rounder offering the ideal balance of power, comfort, and handling - **the most popular choice for multi-day adventure touring.**

### **Ideal for:**

- Riders wanting more power and comfort
- Longer days in the saddle
- The perfect middle ground for most riders

**AUD ~ \$3600 or USD \$2600**

**Motorcycles: BMW F800 GS (Low)**



### **What changes as you move up tiers**

- More power & torque
- More electronics & rider aids
- More comfort for longer days
- Same routes. Same standards.  
Different machines.

### **Included on every ride (all tiers)**

- Fully guided Moto V2 ride
- Premium accommodation
- Riding days & route planning
- Lead & sweep riders



## Trailblazer

Finest machines for the ultimate ride.

### Ideal for

- Experienced riders.
- Maximum comfort, electronics, and refinement.
- Those who want the very best available.

**AUD \$4000 or USD \$2800**

**Motorcycles: Honda Africa Twin 1100, KTM 890 Adventure, BMW 850 GS**



*\*BMW GS 1200, 1250, 1300 GS and KTM 1290 available at an additional cost. Please enquire*

### Payment Structure

- **USD \$1,000 deposit** to secure your place
- **Balance due 45 days before departure**
- Payments are made securely online

No surprises. No hidden costs.

### Refunds & Terms

Our refund and cancellation policy is available online.

View full terms at: [www.motov2.com](http://www.motov2.com)

## What's Included

- **Motorcycle rental for the full duration of the tour**
  - Hand-picked accommodation for all ride nights, including arrival night
  - Welcome dinner on arrival night
  - Fully guided Moto V2 ride experience
  - Dedicated lead and sweep rider support
  - Pre-tour briefing and rider preparation guidance
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## What's Not Included

- Fuel
- Riding gear (helmet, jacket, pants, gloves, boots)
- Luggage accessories and personal riding equipment
- Breakfasts, lunches, and most dinners
- Personal expenses and optional activities

Riding gear and luggage accessories can be arranged at a discounted cost for riders who need them.

Simply let us know your requirements at the time of enquiry or booking, and we'll organise the details for you.

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## Accommodation & Pricing Notes

- Accommodation is offered in twin-share or single (private) room options
- Pricing varies based on room configuration.
- Accommodation details are shared **after booking confirmation or upon genuine enquiry.**





## ABOUT MOTO V2

**Built by riders. Defined by standards.**

Moto V2 is a rider-led adventure touring brand focused on quality-first motorcycle experiences.

After years of riding, a pattern became clear:  
most motorcycle tours are designed around logistics - not riding.

Moto V2 exists to change that.

We don't chase distance, checklists, or sightseeing schedules.  
We design journeys around flow, rhythm, and how a day feels in the saddle.

Every route, stop, and overnight is chosen to support the ride itself, not distract from it.

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### A Global Riding Collective

Moto V2 is built by riders, for riders -  
with road captains and team leaders drawn from riding cultures around the world.

Different backgrounds. Same standards.

Every Moto V2 ride is led by experienced riders who understand flow, group dynamics, and what makes a full day in the saddle feel right - not rushed, not forced, and never chaotic.

*This section will evolve as the Moto V2 collective continues to expand globally.*



# WELCOME TO THE RIDE BEYOND

You've seen how the ride is shaped.

You've seen what's included - and why it's designed this way.

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## HOW TO SECURE YOUR PLACE

A limited-capacity ride, intentionally kept small.

### Booking Process

#### Step 1: Choose Your Ride Tier

Select the motorcycle tier that best matches your riding style and experience.

#### Step 2 : Complete Your Booking Online

Visit our website to view live availability, select your departure, and complete your booking:

 Visit: [www.motov2.com](http://www.motov2.com)

A **USD \$1,000 deposit** secures your place on the ride.

#### Step 3 : Final Payment

The remaining balance is due 45 days before departure.

All payments are made securely online.

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# WELCOME TO THE RIDE BEYOND

Once your deposit is confirmed, you'll receive:

- A booking confirmation email.
- Access to the Rider Handbook.
- Pre-ride information, gear guidance, and arrival details.
- The detailed route itinerary, shared exclusively with confirmed riders.(our routes are a core part of the Moto V2 experience and are shared only after deposit confirmation)
- Ongoing communication as the ride approaches.

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## Have Questions?

If you'd like to talk through the ride, tiers, or suitability, we're happy to help.

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or use the contact form on our website.

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