

# **TRAINING GUIDE – SOCIAL GROUP**

#### Get Comfortable

Planning to clip in on tour? Wear your cycling shoes to train so they feel familiar. **Stay Flexible** 

Riding outdoors is preferable, but sometimes a stationary bike or indoor trainer is the only option—whatever works!

### Ramp Up

After your first week, increase distance and incorporate more hills and climbs in your rides.

# Lifestyle Hacks

Even small tweaks can benefit your body and mind and advance your training goals. These easy-to-implement "microbursts" gradually improve your resilience and endurance. Don't stop at these suggestions—there are many ways to actively engage your body throughout the day.

At Home:	At Work:	On your Commute:
Walk more: take a daily	Replace your chair with	Commute by bike whenever
after- dinner stroll, walk to	a yoga ball to engage	possible.
errands, or park farther	your core.	
away. Tilt your pelvis		In the car or on a train, crunch
forward while walking and	Take the stairs.	your abs while seated.
engage your glutes with	Stand during coffee	
each stride.	breaks. Tilt your pelvis	Instead of leaning against the
	forward while standing	seat back, straighten your
While shopping, carry a	and focus on centering	spine, lift your head and
basket instead of pushing a	your body weight.	heart, and support
cart whenever possible.		your body with your core.
Keep training aids		
throughout your house		
(weights by the stairs or a		
doorframe pull-up bar)		
and do a few reps		

## whenever you pass by.

### Go Easy on Yourself!

All training plans have easier days or weeks, so take 1-2 rest days/week from your lifestyle hacks, too! Most importantly, have fun and find ways to enjoy your training it should never feel stressful. Remember: you're getting ready for a holiday! \*This training guide is a suggestion only. Please consider your own ability and limitations when beginning this plan.

### **Social Group Tour Averages**







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6 weeks – 8 weeks Time to Prepare



	MONDAY Spend at least 2 hours on the bike—try riding with friends and include a café break so you'll be ready for the coffee stops on tour! Intensity Chat-o-Meter If you can easily keep up a conversation while breaking a sweat, you're in good shape!	TUESDAY Bike, join a spin class, or do a cardio session for an hour. The goal is to increase energy and endurance. Intensity Chat-o-Meter If you can easily keep up a conversation while breaking a sweat, you're in good shape!	WEDNESDAY Stretching helps prevent injury. Take a yoga class or use a foam roller to improve flexibility.	THURSDAY Strength training can be focused on your legs or core—you'll need these muscles to ride uphill. Start with your own body weight before adding weights. Work with a trainer to develop a circuit designed for your fitness level, experience, and injuries or sensitivities.	FRIDAY After a spin class or bike ride, treat yourself to some well- deserved wine. Browse our tours and get inspired to set your next goal.	SATURDAY Take a rest day to get motivated for the week ahead.	SUNDAY Find hilly terrain in your area and ride there for at least 2 hours. Intensity Chat-o- Meter Talking should be easy on flats and downhills. On climbs, your conversation will include heavier breaths and a few grunts towards the crest!
Week 1	LONG RIDE	BIKE/CARDIO	STRETCH	STRENGTH	SPIN	REST	HILLS
Week 2	LONG RIDE	BIKE/CARDIO	STRETCH	STRENGTH	SPIN	REST	HILLS
Week 3	LONG RIDE	BIKE/CARDIO	STRETCH	STRENGTH	SPIN	REST	HILLS
Week 4	LONG RIDE	BIKE/CARDIO	STRETCH	STRENGTH	SPIN	REST	HILLS
Week 5	LONG RIDE	BIKE/CARDIO	STRETCH	STRENGTH	SPIN	REST	HILLS
Week 6	LONG RIDE	BIKE/CARDIO	STRETCH	TRAVEL TO 25000SPINS TOUR	START YOUR TOUR	REST	HILLS