

RIDE WITH PRO CYCLING CHAMPION SEAN KELLY

Cycle alongside the legendary Sean Kelly nicknamed “the hard man of cycling” on a SpiceRoads Cycle Tour from Bangkok to Phuket in February 2015

LEGENDARY PRO CYCLING champion Sean Kelly will be returning to Thailand on a SpiceRoads tour from Bangkok to Phuket, Thailand, from February 13 – February 22, 2015, and you can ride with him. This special road bike tour is designed for cyclists who want to push themselves and at the same time have an opportunity to ride with a former professional cyclist. Spending 10 days with Kelly you will have intimate time with him to get training tips and hear some of his tales of racing against Eddie Merckx, Greg LeMond, Laurent Fignon, Bernard Hinault, Miguel Indurain at the European classics and Grand Tours.

Riding was Mighty

Alan Benson, who rode on the Sean Kelly tour in 2014, says, “To have the chance to actually ride with him for a few days was for me, a once in a lifetime opportunity. Riding with Sean was mighty, he is a pure gentleman.”

Kelly was one of the most successful road cyclists of the 1980s, and one of the finest classic riders of all time. From turning professional in 1977 until his retirement in 1994, the Irishman won nine monument classics, and 193 professional races in total. He started the Tour de France 15 times and wore the maillot vert on four occasions, won Paris-Nice seven years in a row and the first UCI World Cup in 1989. Kelly was a complete rider who could sprint, time-trial and climb with the best.

Retired from professional cycling, Kelly remains hugely involved in the sport, from his work as a TV commentator for Eurosport covering the Tour de France, to his formation of the Sean Kelly Cycling Team. Kelly is rightly regarded as one of the greatest sportsmen to ever come from Ireland.

Bangkok to Phuket

On the Bangkok to Phuket tour cyclists will ride 924km in eight cycling days. The group, which will be limited to 30 participants who have road riding experience, will ride along both the east and the west coast of Thailand and overnight at resorts along the way, with afternoons free to enjoy the beach or the pool. The tour starts in the Thai capital of Bangkok and ends at Mai Khao Beach on Phuket.

The Ride with Sean Kelly tour will be fully supported by air-conditioned vehicles, with water, sports drinks and snacks provided during the ride. Riders can bring their own bikes, or rent a Domane 2.3 road bike from SpiceRoads. [AU](#)

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