

2026 Sea Otter Gran Fondo - Carmelo Route

MILE		TURN	LOCATION	COMMENTS
0			Starting Line at Laguna Seca	Follow the Pace Car
1.2		RIGHT	Barloy Canyon Road	EXIT track and head east
3.9		STRAIGHT	Gate 1 - Eucalyptis Junction	
6		RIGHT	Watkins Gate Road	Sharp Right Turn
6.3		RIGHT	Reservation Road	Exit Fort Ord
10	ARROW	STRAIGHT	Under Hwy 68 Signals	Becomes River Road, Stop at signals if Red
19	ARROW	RIGHT	G17 and River Road	Do not go straight to Chualar
23.5		RIGHT	REST STOP	RUSTIQUE VINEYARDS
26.4	ARROW	RIGHT	G17 and River Road	Do not go straight ahead to Gonzales
33.4	ARROW	LEFT	Ft. Romie Road	Do not go onto Foothill road
35.3		LEFT	Ft. Romie Road	
35.6		RIGHT	Ft. Romie Road	Keep left on main road
35.8			Mission Soledad Historical Site	worth a stop if you have time
37.3	ARROW	RIGHT	Paraiso Springs Road	Also has Arroyo Seco sign, short connector
37.4	ARROW	LEFT	Arroyo Seco Road	watch for this, don't go straight onto Paraiso
38.7	ARROW	LEFT	Los Coches Road	
41.6		LEFT	REST/ LUNCH STOP	ZABALA VINEYARDS - .2 miles down tree lined road. Last chance for food water before climb.
			return to course	
		LEFT	Los Coches Road	
43.2	ARROW	RIGHT	Thorne Road	
44.2	ARROW	LEFT	Arroyo Seco Road	
53.4	ARROW	RIGHT	East Carmel Valley Road	Start your Climb to Cahoon Summit - there will be self-service water half way to the summit.
64.1			REST STOP - just over summit on left side of the road. Watch for the gate and big barn.	NIX RANCH at CAHOON SUMMIT- starts long downhill here
82			Carmel Valley Village	
83.4		RIGHT	REST STOP	LOS LAURELES LODGE, turn R into Parking Lot
84.2	ARROW	RIGHT	Laureles Grade Road	Some very steep pitches on climb. Watch your descent speed.
90		LEFT	Hwy 68 at Turn Signal	Wait for the light!
90.3	ARROW	RIGHT	into Laguna Seca - and right immediately onto A Road	Up the big hill!
91.3		RIGHT	Perimeter Road	Turn right at top of hill and follow GF Signs and Volunteer Direction into Finish Area
92			FINISH!!!!	YOU DID IT - park your bike, get some food, a shower and a massage

Riders: Please note that all of the rest stop areas are private property. Please respect our hosts and do not enter any areas that are not set aside for the ride, and use all appropriate facilities. Remember to always ride as far to the right as possible and do not impede traffic on any of the roads.