



## Explore360° joins Off Road Skills to go Wild in Wales

### **OFF ROAD SKILLS (ORS) – offroad training course:**

*Simon Pavey* and his team have developed their own unique programme for each level of training that has been constantly refined to provide the best learning experience and most fun.

Off Road Skills provides off-road training unlike any other training facility. It's one of the original and best adventure bike schools in the world. Their acclaimed off-road courses have stood out for over a decade for one simple reason – they offer a structured training program that is designed to instil the basic techniques for every aspect of off road riding. The Off Road Skills training programmes aren't about being pushed in at the deep end, they are about building technique and confidence hand in hand.

Off Road Skills is based out of one of the UK's finest and most exclusive off road facilities; the spectacular 4000-acre *Walters Arena* in South Wales. Unique not only in its vast size, but also the variety of terrain and fantastic all weather abilities, Walters Arena is another reason that Off Road Skills stands out.

### Training Levels:

Nowadays ORS has even 4 different levels. Level 1, 2, 2-*foundation* and 3. Level 2-*foundation* is new since 2017 and it's specifically designed for riders who have completed Level One and wish to progress to the skills taught on Level Two, but perhaps don't have the opportunity to practice off-road riding between level 1 and 2. You can watch more about the levels [here >>>](https://youtu.be/QW85kCRWANO) (<https://youtu.be/QW85kCRWANO>)

**More info** about the different levels: <https://www.offroadskills.com/categories/off-road-training>

### Type of bikes\*:

- BMW 1250 GS HP
- Lowered (suspension) BMW 1250 GS HP
- BMW 850 GS
- BMW 750 GS
- BMW 310 GS (on request)

*\* participating the course is not possible on your own motorcycle.*

### Price ORS-course\* - there are several options:

1. Including all accommodation (3 nights), all meals, based on twin-room: 9 650 SEK / 920 €
  2. Two days ORS-only option (book/pay your own accommodation/diners) 6 450 SEK / 615 €
- Transport: from London Heathrow to Wales and back (in a rental van): 1 200 SEK / 110 €
- Single room supplement ORS – 3 nights (limited amount available): 1 200 SEK / 110 €

*\* The price is depending on the currency of the £ and can be adapted accordingly.*

### Including ORS:

- 2 days off road course by Simon Pavey and his team on your own level (1, 2, 2 foundation, or 3).
- BMW GS including fuel and insurance.
- Insurance; terms & conditions ORS ([see ORS website for more info](#)).
- Lunches (2 x) and refreshments during the course.
- Diners during the course (3 x).
- Accommodation: 3 x nights (based on twin-room).

### Excluding:

- (Alcoholic) drinks during dinner.
- Flight tickets / transport to-from Wales.
- Cancellation, travel and medical insurances.



**Accommodations:**

We will arrange accommodation for all, amongst others in *The Old Tredegar*, Simon's own B&B There is a limited amount of single rooms available. Feel free though to book something yourself, there are several good options in the neighbourhood.

**Diners:**

We'll have our diners in local pubs. This truly enhances the whole experience of being in Wales. We have to pre-book our meals because we're quite a large group. You pay yourself for your drinks.

**Getting to/from Wales:**

We will rent small mini-vans at Heathrow airport to drive to Wales (ca. 3,5 hours). You can join this option if you'd like. Another option is of course to rent a car yourself or you'll make it by your own transport (motorcycle!) to Wales.

**WILD IN WALES TOUR:**

For those who want to bring the learned into practise immediately can join us on the three day allroad tour "Wild in Wales". The tour is especially developed for this Explore360 arrangement and promises a good mix of curvy tarmac, fine gravel roads and more challenging forest tracks. All guided by Simon Pavey and his team of instructors.



The tour is suitable for all levels of experience, especially after the training, as we will split up into small groups (7-8 riders). Each one again on its own level. The tour leads us through areas which special permits are needed for, so you won't find them on any tourist map. We'll stay in picturesque accommodations and ride again on those trustworthy BMW GS'. Having a support vehicle with a mechanic for our luggage, spare-bikes and refreshments during the day makes the riding only more fun!

**Price WiW tour\*:** 16 000 SEK / € 1525  
Single room supplement (3 nights, limited amount of rooms available): 1 200 SEK / € 110

**Including in WiW tour:**

- 3 days BMW GS rental including fuel/insurance.
- Accommodation in good hotels including breakfast (based on twin-rooms).
- Lunches (3 x) and dinner (3x).
- Support vehicle with spare-bikes, mechanic, tools, luggage and refreshments.
- Simon Pavey and his team as guides/instructors.
- The best on- and off-road riding in Wales.

**Excluding:**

- (Alcoholic) drinks and coffee breaks.
- Travel/medical insurance.
- Flight tickets / transport to/from Wales.

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### **Accommodation during tour:**

We'll stay in good local hotels that transcend that typical Welsh atmosphere.

### **Temperature/weather conditions.**

The temperature of course always varies. In April/May it can be between 10 and 20 degrees Celsius. Because of the variety of the terrain that we encounter, it might be cold also during the day, especially when it's raining and windy.

Be prepared for bad weather conditions. A Gore-Tex MC-suit or a good rain-suit is a must on your "to bring" list. But normally May is one of the best periods of the year to visit Wales.

### **Practical information**

- ✓ Money. You can bring £, or take cash from an ATM (at the airport).
- ✓ ATM. There are ATM's available in every reasonable towns where you can withdraw money (£).
- ✓ Credit Card. Almost everywhere you can pay with a (debit/credit) card and most of them are accepted.
- ✓ Phone. There is a 3G/4G network available (almost everywhere).
- ✓ Electricity is EURO 220 V. You'll need an adapter when coming from outside of the UK.
- ✓ Internet. All accommodations have WiFi/internet.
- ✓ Water. The water in Wales is potable. We do recommend to bring a hydration backpack (like a Kriega Hydro 3L) so you'll have access to water all day during the tour.
- ✓ Allergies/medications. Let us know on before hand if you have any allergy, a special dietary or are using special medication.

### **What to bring?**

You don't need to bring a lot of luggage, and you can leave your hard side-cases and/or other equipment safely at The Old Tredegar or ORS for during the tour. Just bring a small soft-bag that you can bring in the support vehicle.

### **For riding (all mandatory)**

- Helmet. Road, system, full face or cross helmet are all fine. Just make sure you'll have a clear visor and sunglasses (you never know ;-).
- Base-layer/warm clothing. (long)Under-wear, fleece and/or a windstopper.

- Rain gear. When not riding in Gore-Tex jacket/trousers. Accessible at all time (you can strap a small waterproof bag on the back of the bike with [ROK-straps](#)).
- Riding gear. Jacket and pants with protection on back, shoulder, elbows and knees. Make sure that it has good ventilation possibilities.
- Gloves. Bring a pair of thin summer gloves (for the technical parts) and a pair all-weather (Gore-Tex) gloves.
- Boots. It's very important to have hard (enduro/adventure) boots like for example the Sidi Crossfire, with a good hard sole (for standing up) and hard plastic ankle protection.

**Important!** Proper off-road boots are a must! If you don't have them, you can rent them from ORS. Please let us know your size. (you will be excluded from the course and tour if not wearing appropriate boots).

#### What to bring on you?

- Passport and drivers license, insurance papers, money.
- Rain gear (when not riding in Gore-Tex)
- Hydration back-pack
- Mobile phone/camera.
- Buff.
- (Sun)Glasses/goggles.

#### Clothing and other

- Casual clothes for during the evenings. Most of the time you will be on your bike and wearing your riding gear. Please don't bring too many clothes.
- Personal toiletry and medicines.

#### Documents needed

- ✓ Valid passport
- ✓ Valid and full drivers license cat A.
- ✓ Medical/travel insurance information (emergency and policy number).

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