

# Wild in Wales



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

Every year we're joining *Simon Pavey* (multiple Dakar finisher) and his team of excellent instructors in Wales for a two-day training followed by an all-road tour through Wales (ORS-only is also possible).

Simon and his team have developed their own *unique* programme for each level (four) 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 more over a decade for one simple reason – they offer a structured training program that is designed to instill 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 *Brecon Beacon*, 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-foundation, 2 and 3. Level 2-foundation is new 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 didn't have the opportunity to practice off-road riding between level 1 and 2.

**More info** about the different levels explained you can watch [here >>>](#)



#### Type of bikes\*:

- BMW 1300 GS
- Adjustable (lowered) suspension BMW 1300 GS
- BMW 900 GS

#### Price ORS\*

Including all accommodation (3 nights),  
all meals, based on twin-room:

€ 995

Single room supplement ORS – 3 nights  
(limited amount available):

€ 135

*\* The price is depending on the currency of the £ , VAT, and prices of 3rd parties, and can be adapted accordingly.*

#### Including ORS:

- 2 days off road course on your own level (1, 2F, 2, 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).

**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.

**Diners:**

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

**Getting to/from Wales:**

We will make use of a *Airport shuttle / taxi service* that will pick you up from the airport (London Heathrow and/ or Cardiff)) and bring you to Wales and back after the tour.

In case you make use of this service, we also provide the transport during the week from your accommodation to the ORS-unit and back and in the evening to/from the different restaurants.

Another option is of course to rent a car yourself or you'll come with your own transport (car/motorcycle) to Wales.



**“ AFTER TWO DAYS OF INTENSIVE TRAINING, THIS IS THE PERFECT WAY TO SEE WALES FROM A MOTORBIKE-PERSPECTIVE AND PRACTISE ALL YOU HAVE LEARNED!”**

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### **WILD IN WALES - ALLROAD TOUR:**

For those who want to bring the learned into practice immediately can join us on the *allroad* tour “*Wild in Wales*” (also sometimes dubbed as Wet in Wales, it’s not always sunshine you know ;).

The tour promises a good mix of curvy tarmac, fine gravel roads, green lanes and more challenging (forest) tracks. All guided by Simon Pavey and his instructors, together with *Explore360°* guides.

The tour is suitable for all levels of experience, especially after the training. We will split up into small groups (7-8 riders) and each group rides again *on its own level* (like during the training). The beginners group will ride more single lane tarmac combined with easier gravel roads and fire-roads. Level 2 more ruts, rocky hill-climbs, grass etc. Level 3: be prepared to sweat :)

The tour leads us through areas which special permits are needed for, and you won’t find them on any tourist map. We’ll stay in comfortable hotels and ride again on those trustworthy BMW GS’.

Having a support vehicle to bring our luggage, a spare-bike and refreshments during the day makes the riding only more fun!





**Price WiW tour\* - 4 days:** € 2175

Single room supplement (4 nights, limited amount of rooms available): € 135

Transport from London Heathrow-Wales (return) and local transport for ORS + WiW\*\*:

€ 250

*\* The price is depending on the currency of the £ , VAT, and prices of 3rd parties, and can be adapted accordingly.*

*\*\* At cost price, will be calculated and paid afterwards.*

#### **Including in WiW tour:**

- Four days BMW GS rental *including* fuel/insurance.
- Accommodation in good hotels including breakfast (based on twin-rooms).
- All breakfasts, lunches and dinners during the tour.
- Support vehicle for luggage, spare-bike, tools and refreshments.
- Simon and instructors together with Explore360° guides.
- The best on- and off-road riding in Wales in small groups on your own level.

#### **Excluding:**

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

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#### **Accommodation during tour:**

Of course, the *quality* of the hotels matches that of the riding, with our accommodation provided in gorgeous settings in buildings with walls that could tell a thousand tales. We'll stay in good accommodations that transcend that typical Welsh atmosphere.

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

The temperature of course always varies. It can be anything between 10° and 25° 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.
- ATM. There are ATMs available in every reasonable town 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 bringing a hydration back-pack so you'll have access to water all day during the tour.
- Allergies/medications. Let us know beforehand if you have any allergies, 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 big hard suitcases and/or other equipment safely at The Old Tredegar or the ORS-unit 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 wind-stopper.
- Rain gear. When not riding in a Gore-Tex jacket/pants. Accessible at all times (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 during the training and the technical parts during the tour, as well a pair of all-weather (Gore-Tex) gloves.
- Boots. It's obligatory 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. You can rent boots, pants and a jacket (without protection) at ORS.

**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?

- Driver's license, insurance papers, money.
- Rain gear (when not riding in Gore-Tex)
- Hydration backpack
- Mobile phone/camera.
- Buff.
- (Sun)Glasses/goggles (clear / dark lenses).

### Clothing and others



- 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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