



Windy City Publishers

“I Never Intended to Be Brave” by Heather Andersen

SUGGESTED INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOR:

Bicycle Touring in Africa * Bicycle Touring in General * Bicycle Advocacy

SUGGESTED INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOR BICYCLE TOURING IN AFRICA AS A VACATION OPTION

Many people associate going on a safari in Africa as an adventure trip. There are, however, other ways to explore Africa that are more cost efficient and environmentally friendly. The objectives of this article/broadcast segment are to:

- Explore Africa up close and personal via bike
- Share bicycling in Africa as a viable vacation option

SUGGESTED QUESTIONS

1. How were you received as a woman?
2. How did you plan your route?
3. What are the roads like? Are they paved?
4. Were bugs a problem?
5. What about large wildlife, like lions and elephants?
6. What did you eat? Was it ever hard to find food?
7. Where did you sleep? Were you tenting?
8. What are the accommodation options there?

SUGGESTED INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOR BICYCLE TOURING IN GENERAL

Many people enjoy bicycling, and some would like to explore taking a bike tour. They are, however, often intimidated by the prospect and not even sure what is involved. The objectives of this article/or broadcast segment are to:

- Encourage people to consider a bike tour trip
- Explain what is involved in bike touring
- Discuss the pros and cons of touring with an established organization vs. touring independently, either solo or with friends or family.
- Suggest tours and operators

SUGGESTED QUESTIONS

1. How do you get started?
2. What equipment do you need?
3. What do you do if it rains?
4. Where do you stay at night? Do you make reservations?
5. Isn't it hard?
6. How much does it cost?
7. What different kinds of tours exist?
8. How do you get your bicycle to the beginning of a tour?
9. How many miles do you ride every day?
10. Where do you recommend touring?
11. What are the benefits of going on an organized bike tour vs. going on your own?
12. How do you recommend finding bicycle tour operators?
13. What is the average length of most bike tours?

SUGGESTED INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOR BICYCLE ADVOCACY/MAKING COMMUNITIES BICYCLE-FRIENDLY

Making communities bicycle-friendly is becoming more popular. Major cities are adopting dedicated bicycle paths with greater frequency as community members adopt bicycling as an environmentally friendly form of transportation, exercise, and fun. The objectives of this article/interview are to

- Inform people the benefits of biking for the environment
- Inform people what it takes to create bike facilities

SUGGESTED QUESTIONS

1. What are the benefits of making communities bicycle-friendly?
2. What's the most important change we could make to make the U.S. more bicycle-friendly?
3. What funding is available for bicycle accommodations?
4. How does someone who wants, say a bike lane in his or her neighborhood, get started?
5. Why should bike projects receive federal funding when bicyclists don't pay the gas tax?
6. What's the most rewarding project you ever worked on?
7. What types of projects is a bicycle advocate most likely to work on?