

## Cycling 'tour de force' Ned Boulting to appear at The France Show

### Enjoy stories from the Tour de France plus discover the French Grand Prix by bicycle – The France Show 2018

The France Show 2018 returns from 26 to 28 January, bringing the best of France to Olympia London. For cycling enthusiasts and Francophiles alike, this year's programme includes a host of inspiration for your next cycling adventure.



Award winning sports journalist, television presenter and best-selling author **Ned Boulting**, best known for his coverage of the Tour de France will be sharing tales from life in the cycling lane at The France Show on Sunday 28 January.

Currently touring the UK with his sell-out one-man show *Bikeology*, Boulting will be taking visitors on a freewheeling tour of the ever-growing enthusiasm for cycling and sharing some of his favourite moments from his fourteen years covering the iconic Tour de France race – hurtling around France in pursuit of the sport's biggest names including Cavendish, Wiggins, Froome and Armstrong.

What drives the cyclist (apart from a sturdy, well-oiled chain) to such ecstasies of endurance? What curious, deep-rooted passions are aroused by the sight of a simple pair of padded shorts? And what on earth is a derailleur?

And that's not all... thinking about a cycling holiday in France? The France Show has a host of inspiration, including guided and bespoke tours from **Fellow Vello**.

*Fellow Vello* was born from out of a passion for pedaling and a love affair with France. Their carefully crafted tours range from challenging to family-friendly – all with guaranteed stunning scenery and fabulous food.

Highlights include –

### **French F1 Grand Prix Ride**

**17 – 24 June 2018**

Launching at The France Show 2018, this route takes you to France's newly reinstated F1 Grand Prix. Ride across Provence from the spectacular Gorges de Vernon to the Mediterranean, via the Lavender Fields of the Valensole Plateau and the Massif des Maures. Offered as a seven or five-day guided tour, you'll reach the coast in time for the Grand Prix.

### **Your Bed By The Med**

**May – October**

Explore the delights of the Côte d'Azur. Begin your ride along the crest of the Massif des Maures, take an exhilarating rush down to the azure water of the Mediterranean before exploring the harbours and perching villages of this beautiful part of Provence. Choose to cycle every day or create your own excursions; a boat over to the Port Cros National Park or, a day soaking up the sights, sounds and sun in St Tropez.

### **Baie de la Somme**

**July - September**

The Baie de la Somme Tour includes great beaches and fishing harbours of the Côte d'Opale, quiet gentle valleys of pollarded willow and trees draped with mistletoe, dramatic gothic architecture and, one of the prestigious Grande Site de France. An opportunity to leave the car behind, even to bring your own bicycle, let the adventure start from home.

The France Show returns to Olympia London from 26 to 28 January 2018, bringing the very best of the country to the UK capital – from tasting fine French wines and food, to discovering holiday ideas and your dream property.

**Tickets are priced from £12 for adults.**

**For more information and to take advantage of the advanced ticket price, visit**

**[www.thefranceshow.com](http://www.thefranceshow.com)**

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### **Notes to Editors**

- Tickets for The France Show 2018 can be booked online at [www.thefranceshow.com](http://www.thefranceshow.com)
- Ticket Prices: Adults £12 in advance/£16 on the door (accompanied children under the age of 16 free of charge)
- The France Show is organised by Archant, publishers of *FRANCE* Magazine, *Living France*, *French Property News*, [www.francepropertyshop.com](http://www.francepropertyshop.com) and [www.completefrance.com](http://www.completefrance.com)
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