

30 Mile Riders Manual

This supplement contains information, rules, and details specific to your course.

You must also read the general riders manual for full event details.

Welcome to the **Fruitdens Course**. She's fun, she's short (relatively), and our introduction to gravel, desert-style!

We've changed and improved your course this year to be a full loop. Enjoy the desert as it comes to you. The morning light brings the colors on the cliffs to life. And, soon enough you'll be working hard.

We've made up the middle of your route with an awesome sample of desert gravel. Twists turns, climbs, descents, and views that take in the Book Cliffs and the Desert. This won't be the easiest 30 miles you've ever ridden. Perhaps it won't be the hardest. Neither was our aim. What we have strived for is the most unique, fun, diverse experience we could squeeze into 30 miles. We hope this inspires you to come again and chase an even larger dino!

Start Time

9:00 am Downtown Fruita – Peach Street and Aspen.

Start Location

All distances Begin in the parking lot on the north side of [Civic Pavillion Park 325 East Aspen Avenue](#)

Parking

Parking for all distances is Fruita Monument High School. 1102 Wildcat Avenue, Fruita, CO 1.5 miles from the start. Be sure to allow enough time to ride safely to the start and obey all road rules and laws. [Map from Parking lot to start.](#)

Packet Pickup 2:30 pm–8:30 pm Friday, May 3

All Packets must be picked up Friday. **There will be NO race day pick-up.**

Packet pick location: [Civic Pavillion Park 325 East Aspen Avenue](#)

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ROUTE

Neutral Start

First 5 miles is a Sheriff's lead escort. Nice and easy

You will roll out of and back into Fruita on paved city streets. To keep you safe and give you time to find your groove the first 5 miles are "Neutral." NO RACING. Remember! All roads are open and will be busy with cars the closer you get to town! You will finish right at the park.

Course Notes

Your route is a loop - Be sure to note you depart the other courses at mile 14.4. Your aid station is at mile 15.5. You can find restrooms in the parking lot on 18RD at mile 18.5.

Caution at mile 16.5 as you turn left across traffic.

Mile 17 - 22 has a few technical sections and a few deep ruts. Pay attention through here.

Caution at mile 22.5 as you turn left again onto the busy 18rd. Asphalt from here to the finish.

Summing Up

We hope this is your intro to gravel. But, be it your first ride or one of many we thank you for joining us. As our entry-level route we want Fruitadens to be a fun sample of what gravel riding in our region is like. If we've done it correctly perhaps this will be the first step towards more gravel. We hope so. May you journey far and wide always knowing you have friends in the desert. Gravel on and we'll be waiting for you at the finish line!