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<u>Niagara Cycling Tours</u> (NCT) is pleased to announce our recent Award from the Ontario By Bike organization. As the cycling season gets going in full with warmer ride temperatures and summer ahead, Ontario By Bike announces the 23 best bicycle friendly businesses and award winners for 2022, across the province.

Whether riding closer to home, or travelling to destinations across Ontario, exploring Ontario's vast array of trails and road routes, coupled with a stop at any one of these award winning locations to eat, visit or sleep, will be a highlight of any bike outing, day trip or longer multi-day tour.

The awards are presented by Ontario By Bike, whose certification program has criteria that helps ensure cyclists are welcomed at businesses they choose to stop at whether it be as a cycle tourist, on a longer trip, or while biking closer to home. The Network is free for businesses to participate in and the information on each location plus cycling trails and road routes in each region is easily accessible online.

"We are pleased to celebrate and recognize the commitment and level of service that these 23 bicycle friendly businesses offer cyclists that stop at their locations. With many welcoming a wide array of customers, not just cyclists, we encourage a visit to their businesses to support their ongoing enterprises during what has been a challenging few years. Congratulations to all winners of the annual awards, now in its fourth year." - Louisa Mursell, Executive Director of Ontario By Bike/Transportation Options.

"Our team is stoked to win this award we're just too busy planning trips this summer and fall to celebrate right now" says Founder and avid cyclist, Peter Donato.

2022 Ontario By Bike Bicycle Friendly Business Award Winners: www.ontariobybike.ca/2022awardwinners

Ontario's Southwest Best Business: Kettle Creek Inn – Port Stanley Bike Business: The Windsor Bike Kitchen	Bike Business: Niagara Cycling Tours	Hamilton Halton Brant Best Business: The Fix powered by Velofix – Milton Bike Business: A1 Cycle – Brantford
Huron, Perth, Waterloo & Wellington Best Business: Snapping Turtle Coffee Roasters – St. Marys Bike Business: Changing Gears – Guelph/Goderich	Greater Toronto Area Best Business: The Scented L'air — Brampton Bike Business: Cycle Solutions — Parliament Street, Toronto	York Durham Headwaters Best Business: The Grackle Coffee Company – Schomberg Bike Business: Cycle Life – Port Perry & Pickering
Bruce Grey Simcoe Best Business: Quayle's Brewery – Coldwater Bike Business: Summit Social House – Collingwood	Kawarthas Northumberland Best Business: <u>Our Lucky Stars</u> – Warkworth	South Eastern Ontario Best Business: Russell Manor Bed & Breakfast – Morrisburg Bike Businesses: Bicycle World – Cornwall
Ottawa & Countryside Best Business: Café Sur la rive – Plantagenet	Ontario's Highlands Best Business: <u>Dominion</u> <u>Hotel and Pub</u> – Minden Bike Business: <u>Yantha</u> <u>Cycle</u> – Pembroke	Explorers' Edge Best Business: South River Brewing Company — South River
Northern Ontario Best Business: Perivale Gallery – Spring Bay, Manitoulin Island Bike Business: 3ride Bicycle Co. – Thunder Bay		*Geographic disbursement based on Ontario's <u>13 tourism</u> <u>regions</u>







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Niagara Cycling Tours is a NOTL based operation serving the local, regional and international cycling market. The company launched in spring, 2021 and mostly focuses on multi day bike holidays across the full Niagara Region. The company aims to support the full complement of towns, cities and hamlets across all of Niagara as outlined by the award-winning jersey design below. Tours can start in any market and finish in any market if necessary, with daily cycling volumes in the 65 km - 110 + km range.

About Ontario By Bike™

Ontario By Bike™ works with a variety of partners to develop and promote cycling and cycle tourism across Ontario. Administering a Network of over 1,550 certified bicycle friendly businesses and providing a comprehensive portal of information, Ontario By Bike is inspiring visitors and residents to explore more of the province by bike. Ontario By Bike is a program of Transportation Options, a non-profit organization, celebrating 30 years of innovative programming, dedicated to fostering sustainable transportation and tourism solutions in Ontario.

• Ontario By Bike – www.ontariobybike.ca