

Tips and Information regarding my Motorcycle Trip through the Western USA from 9. May to 15. June 2005



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- 8.** How do I get from the airport to the harbour?

- 9.** Essential activities on the first 2 days
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- 11.** What should I take and what is unnecessary?
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- K.** Break down dictionary Spanish/English