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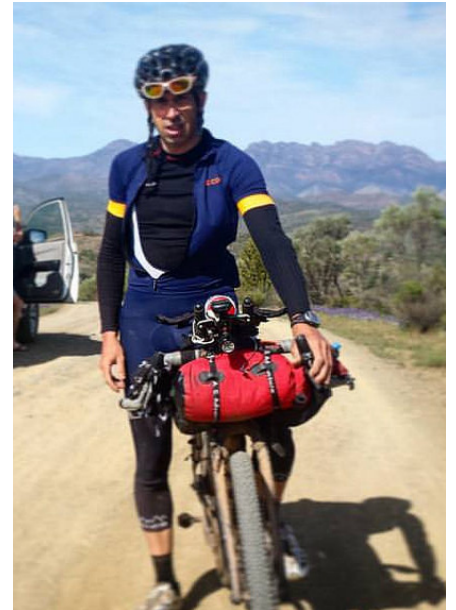
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An endless cycling adventure in search of the most beautiful places on earth. On the other side of the globe or just around the corner. Sleep under the stars with everything you need attached to your bike.

Chasing freedom with Gunther Desmedt

#SantosHero

Our Santos Hero Gunther Desmedt (Belgium) is a true bikepacking legend. He is a regular at TransAlps and Ironbike races and did 2300 off-road kilometers during his Race to the Rock participation in Australia.



"Take some good clothes, make a small plan, don't be too ambitious, sleeping bag, sleeping pad and just go."

- Gunther Desmedt, Santos Bikepacking Hero -

Santos Cross Lite

Gunthers weapon of choice

He packs light, takes only the essentials. Food and drinks to reach the next stop, a couple of energy bars for extra power. His bike is ready to go wherever he wants to go. Either for a weekend trip, microadventure or an extreme race on the other side of the world. It's about the challenge, longing for adventure and chasing freedom.





Stiff & efficient frame

Maximum possibilities for minimal packing

When Gunther started bikepacking a decade ago, no framebags were available in Europe yet. So he asked a friend to make one for him. Nowadays he attaches different bags to his clean and stiff Cross Lite frame which has enough space for frame-bags, water bottles, our Santos Hold-it-All and different stuff sacks. You can pack the Cross Lite the way you like, it feels efficient with every pedal stroke.

Nearly indestructable

Low maintenance gear system

Gunther's Cross Lite comes with a Rohloff Speedhub. This nearly indestructable hub has an internal gearing system with 14 gears. Ideal for those muddy roads and rocky mountains (and open roads, and sand, and dirt, and snow...).

Oh, and did you know that Rohloff is compatible with the Sram Double Tap race shifters?



Good match

Dropbar, raceshifters & internal gear hub

Shifting like racers do with all the benefits of an internal gear hub; the Sram Double Tab shifters are a perfect match for the Cross Lite!

Tip: You can also choose for TRP race brakes in combination with the Comotion turn-shifter if that's more your style.





Durable Gates Belt Drive

Belt drive à la Santos

Santos is the very first adaptor of the Gates Belt Drive system with speedhub and we strongly believe in its use for your next bikepacking adventure.

Belt drive à la Santos is durable and reliable in all circumstances with barely any maintenance. The secret? A stiff and dedicated frame design, Santos Only components, such as the Santos Split Part and Eccenter Bracket and a good dose of devotion.

Handmade wheels with 35 - 60 mm tires

Because you never know where you'll end up

Whether you go for an on- or off-road trip, Santos handmade wheels and a good pair of tires are a must. Choose tires between 35mm up to 60mm for bumpy off road tracks. The Cross Lite has enough clearance to house some mud in there as well..



Strong and reliable

Hydraulic disc brakes

Strong and reliable hydraulic disc brakes are always welcome when exploring rough tracks.



Customize your next adventure

Choose and refine

First you choose the right frame (see back of the folder). Then it's time to Customize! Do you want a dropbar or straight handlebar? Race- or turn-shifter(s)? Head/rearlight and dynamo hub? All our bikes are Custombuilt. The platform, as how we see the frame, gives you a world of possibilities. We would love to help you find your best configuration. For any advice, testriding or just a sneak peak, please call, email or visit one of our dealers. You can also make an oppointment at our factory.

Choose a comfortable position

Dropbar or straight?

A dropbar gives you the opportunity to fit a bikepacking handlebar bag and has multiple riding positions. A straight handlebar on the other hand has other options for brakelevers and gives the bike a complete different look. Make sure you choose the right handlebar, as your riding position can either make or break your trip...



Comotion turn-shifter or Sram Double Tab

Race- or turn-shifters?

Either choose the Comotion turn-shifter for your Rohloff hub or opt for the Sram Double Tap race shifters. We can easily fit them on your drop bar.

Front fork

Carbon, steel or with suspension

Both the Cross Lite and the 4.29 have the option for a suspension fork. Beside that, you can either choose for a light and fast carbon fork or heavy duty steel one. The choice is yours...





The finishing touch of comfort

A perfect fit for your sitbones

Whether you prefer a hard cambium saddle or a softer gel one; the finishing touch of comfort is for you to choose. Santos offers a wide range of saddles in various widths and softnesses.

SON dynamo hub and lighting set

A guiding light, a charging hub

The SON dynamo with front- and backlight is our favourite pick regarding lights. It also has possibilities for an USB hub to charge any of your electronic devices.



Santos Lite- or XL carrier

More to carry?

It might not be real bikepacking style, but leaving half of your essential stuff at home isn't cool either. So if needed, you can either mount the almost-invisible Santos Lite carrier or heavy duty Santos XL carrier on one of our bikepacking bikes. Oh and how about fenders?

Color your world

Santos colors

Your Santos in your own color; choose from more than 50 frame colors, 14 letter colors and match your SON lights, Rohloff hub and/or Pinion box.



Choose your bikepacking bike

The Cross Lite or one of its buddies?

The right bike is the one that fits your plans. So tell us! Will it be a short weekend trip or race around the world? On- or offroad? Do you carry a tent and cooking stuff? Do you prefer a comfortable suspension fork or clean stable carbon one? You need the answers to those questions to choose the right Santos frame/platform for your purpose.



Cross Lite



Cross Lite

Our Cross Lite bike enables a perfect platform to build a beast of a Bikepacking bike. It has enough clearance for big wheels (and mud...) and various options that suit your style.



4.29

If you are up to off-road hike-bike trips, the 4.29 is your bike. Light, strong and made for those muddy and rocky conditions.



Race Lite

Our Race Lite bike is light, fast and maintenance friendly. The ideal bike for endurance races like the Trans Continental Race.

Ready to test?

Ride to decide

Our dealers are ready to help you. Make sure you got answers to all your questions and go for a proper testride. Check our website for their addresses. You can also contact us to make an appointment at our factory.

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