

## Summer Tour: Hotel Grandru, Chaumont, Belgium

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2010

The Ardennes region covers the South Eastern corner of Belgium, the West of Luxembourg and a bit of North East France – see below. Germany and the North end of the Eifel are just 40 miles away - but it is the Ardennes which we are going to explore!



The hotel is in the Belgian Ardennes and only 4 miles from the Luxembourg border; it is small having only 9 en-suite rooms but has all the facilities we will need: rooms, a bar, our meals and even includes garaging for the bikes. The owner has a GS - with snow-chains - so I think he must be slightly deranged!

See more about the hotel here: <http://www.grandru.be/en/index.asp> If you think it looks like a barn - it was! Double room rates are €320 per person for the seven nights. The single rooms €425 again for seven nights. These rates are half-board (Bed, Breakfast and an evening meal).

The Ardennes is closer than recent trips we have made so it is possible to do the transfer in a day – albeit a long one. Anyone wanting to break the journey I'd suggest going late Friday and stay overnight close to the Chunnel. No route timings or Chunnel departure at present - lets get a feel of who is interested and how they want to attack it.

<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Start Time</b>	<b>Ride Time H:m</b>	
		2:40	Worcester to Chunnel
			<b>Chunnel Crossing</b>
		3:02	Calais to Grandru
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>		3:02	Grandru to Calais
			<b>Chunnel Crossing</b>
		2:40	Chunnel to Worcester

As always feel free to extend your personal itinerary to take in other visits.

### **Costs**

#### **Hotel – half-board rate**

From €425 for single room. From €320 per person for double rooms.

**Chunnel** - Return fare for bike/rider(s) from £70

**Food, Petrol, Beer money etc.** – As usual, down to you!

### **Booking and availability**

Anyone interested in the tour please contact:

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Note that this is a motorcycle tour and there will be rides every day. As we stay in one place individuals do have the freedom to opt out to pursue other interests or to take rest/recuperation time. Riding each day for a week is intense – it requires a very good standard of riding and a clear appreciation of the rider's own limits.

The whole of the hotel is provisionally booked until 1<sup>st</sup> February 2010 when I will need deposits.