# 2018 Tour des Trees Travel Logistics Recommendations from Paul Wood, Tour Director

Here are my recommendations on the best way to get you and your bike to and from this year's Tour. Tour registration includes lodging for the nights of Saturday, July 28 through Friday, August 3. If you wish to come early or stay longer at your own expense, I've outlined that information here as well.



### Flying to and from the Tour

- While in Columbus we will be staying at the <u>Marriott Columbus University Area</u> at 3100 Olentangy River Road.
- The recommended airport for getting to Columbus is John Glen International.
- Recommendations for getting to and from the airport to our host hotel: <a href="https://flycolumbus.com/getting-to-from">https://flycolumbus.com/getting-to-from</a>

## **Driving to the Tour**

- Driving directions
- As part of the contract I negotiated with the Marriott, our Tour participants can park their cars at the hotel for free for the duration of our event.

Packing your bike: <a href="https://www.bikeflights.com/Pack">https://www.bikeflights.com/Pack</a>

### **Shipping your bike**

- Ship via FedEx to the <u>Marriott Columbus University Area</u> 3100 Olentangy River Road
  Columbus, OH 43202
- Label your bike box with both your name and TREE Fund Tour des Trees.- Attn: Banquets
- Time your shipment to arrive between July 25 and 27.
- I recommended using Bike Flights to ship your bike. It is simple and very cost effective.
- The Marriott was kind enough to waive the fees for package handling for our Tour participants. They are also willing to store our bike boxes during our event for free.

## Pre-Tour and post-Tour lodging at the Marriott Columbus University Area

- A limited number of rooms are available 3 days prior to the Tour start date of July 28 and 3 days after the Tour's last included hotel night of August 3.
- You may use the following links to reserve your pre and/or post Tour room:
  - Pre-Tour Rooms
  - Post-Tour Rooms
  - You may also do so by calling the Reservations Line at 1-844-200-1026, please reference the TREE Fund Tour des Trees Room Block. The group rate is \$139 + 17.5% occupancy tax.