

FAQs to the panamericana

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1. **Why should I buy a suspended travel bike?**

Suspension bikes have been available for the last ten years now, within this time continually improving the comfort of your ride.. There are suspensions for very different usage; from the downhill sport suspension to the cheapest do-it-yourself, with which not only the function but also the quality may be doubtful. Most travel bikes concepts are relatively new, and are based largely on components used in mountain biking. With a suspension bike your comfort increases greatly when covering larger distances. Tout Terrain's own experiences traveling through Asia and North America, brought with them the realization that we would not like to renounce a suspended travel bike on gravel roads. Our body thanks us for this after a long day in the saddle.

2. **How robust is a suspension on the travel bike?**

Among travel bike bikers there is the misconception of a lack of reliability for suspension bikes. The suspension components of bikes have improved greatly over the last few years in terms of function and quality. Tout terrain uses, in all areas, only the highest-quality components. This starts with the suspension shock and ends in especially sealed and encased bearing points of the ball bearings. Thus, we reduce the defective susceptibility to a bare minimum, also giving you peace of mind.

3. **Why has the panamericana a suspended rack?**

Suspended baggage rack is one of the most significant aspects of our suspended travel bike. The more weight is suspended, the better the riding quality and the function of the suspension. It can be adapted to different load states and the suspension has always an optimum response.

4. **Why has the panamericana an integrated rack?**

The rack of the panamericana was integrated as it could be adapted optimally to the frame. This special construction of the rack also serves to support the suspension and is therefore a fully integrated part of the frame. The construction secures maximum stiffness in the rear triangle and the rack.

5. **How many fitting positions for panniers are there?**

There is one fitting position by the height. The rack is provided with an inclination forwards to let enough space for travelers with big feet. The rear tube of the rack has moved further to the back than normal to reach a better support of the pannier.

6. What is a handlebar stop?

The handlebar stop prevents the handlebars from turning more than 90°, e.g., with falls or if the bicycle tips over, to avoid dents and scratches in the top tube. Not only are dents and scratches avoided, also the bike reliability increased, as frame defects are reduced.

7. Can you install a lighting system? If so, which one?

The panamericana is equipped with a special light cable routing which prevents the cables against tearing and breaking off. The rack features a light mounting which is based on a 50 mm standard hole distance. Every light which uses this standard can be mounted.

8. Can you change from a derailleur system to the Rohloff speed hub?

Yes, because the dropout has all mountings for the Rohloff OEM2 support integrated.