

Hot property Cyclists

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► Rue Lord Byron, Champs Elysée, Paris, France, €10.5m

Where In the 8th arrondissement of Paris, between two of the avenues that stem from the Arc de Triomphe. Charles de Gaulle airport is 35 minutes' drive.

What A 300 sq metre penthouse with four bedrooms and four bathrooms. The top floor has a vast balcony with views of the Eiffel Tower.

Why From the balcony you can see part of the Champs Elysée, where cyclists will race to the finish line on the final stage of the Tour de France this Sunday.

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◀ Givons Grove, Leatherhead, Surrey, England, £3m

Where In Givons Grove, a six-minute drive from Leatherhead. London is about an hour's drive while Heathrow airport is a little over half an hour.

What A six-bedroom, five-bathroom house that dates back to 1560. Within the property's 2.5 acres there is a seven-car garage

with electric glass doors and a former ice house.

Why A 20-minute cycle away is Box Hill, where the London 2012 Olympic road cycling events were held. Cyclists swarm here to take on the Zig Zag Road that climbs 120 metres over 1.6 miles to the top of the hill.

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▲ Puigpunyent, Mallorca, Spain, €7.5m

Where In the small municipality of Puigpunyent in western Mallorca, the largest of the Balearic Islands in the Mediterranean. Palma de Mallorca international airport is about 35 minutes by car.

What An eight-bedroom, four-bathroom country house, or finca, with an outdoor pool.

Why The property looks out on to the Serra de Tramuntana mountain range, a Unesco world heritage site, that offers steep hill climbs and sharp descents. It is where the Team GB Olympic cycling squad trained ahead of the 2016 games in Rio.

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◀ Mora Drive, Los Altos Hills, Santa Clara County, California, US, \$18m

Where In the Los Altos Hills south of San Francisco, 25 minutes' drive west of San Jose international airport.

What A 10,700 sq ft house with six bedrooms and seven bathrooms. From the outdoor pool you can look over East Bay mountains and Western Hills.

Why The Los Altos Hills area is packed with bike trails. Within a 20-minute ride is Quinnhill Road, where one route takes thrill-seekers up 130ft on a 16.4 per cent incline.

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◀ Val de Vie, Pearl Valley, Western Cape, South Africa, R13.99m (\$1.08m)

Where Within Val de Vie in the Pearl Valley, a 45-minute drive east of Cape Town international airport.

What A four-bedroom house with an outdoor pool. Val de Vie is home to a polo club and a Jack Nicklaus-designed golf course. Owners can

also use the complex's golf buggies to ride around on.

Why Val de Vie's 42km of mountain bike trails were the setting for the Absa Cape Epic Grand Finale in March. The race takes riders across 700km over the course of eight days.

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