

# Iron Butt Egg Hunt



## Iron Butt Association Egg Hunt requirements:

*EggHunt 1000 Gold - Provide all 4 required photos AND a DBR from any city OR picture of any commercial sign with 'egg' as part of its name, for example, Gregg, Missouri or Eggleston Heights, Florida or Leggets' Bar in New Jersey would all be acceptable.*

- *A selfie of you eating eggs at any restaurant.*
- *A selfie of you eating a chocolate egg or chocolate bunny.*
- *A selfie of you eating an egg roll or a piece of bacon and egg pie.*
- *A selfie of you in front of a bank or investment office where you*

*might feel safe putting your 'nest egg'*

*(Each photo must be at least 150 miles from the previous photo.)*

*Your ride must start and finish any time on Easter Weekend, Friday 12:01 - Monday 11:59 PM.*

*You may take any route you like.*

*Your ride must be at 1,000 miles in less than 24 hours..*

My plan was to ride a big 1,000 - mile loop. I would start at the local Waffle House for the egg meal, then stop at Love's Truckstop in Mt Vernon, IL for a chocolate egg on my way to Louisville, KY for a "ZEGGZ" sign. From there, I would

head through Nashville, TN to the "No. 1 Chinese Restaurant" in Murfreesboro for an eggroll, then to Chattanooga and Huntsville, AL before heading home to Cadence Bank in Hernando at the end of this ride.

I was up at 3:00 am. I began this ride at the local Circle K for my start DBR (Dated Business Receipt). Official start time - 3:49 am, Saturday, March 30, 2024.

My first stop was just down the street at Waffle House. I ordered a couple of eggs over easy, bacon and white toast. A perfect way to start the day! Before eating, I took the required selfie.



**Egg Treat #1**

After breakfast, I headed north on I-55, the 60 degree temperature was warmer than expected. There was little to no traffic as I rode through Memphis and crossed the M bridge over to Arkansas.

I continued up I-55 to Sikeston, MO where I hopped on I-57. Ten miles

later, I stopped to use the restroom in Charleston, MO. I decided this should be far enough to pick up my chocolate egg requirement. Sure enough! They had Reese Cup Chocolate eggs at the Casey gas station. The ladies behind the counter were surprised when I asked one of them to take a picture of me with the egg treat. I told them I was on a scavenger hunt.



**Egg Treat #2**

I continued north on I-57 up through the middle of Illinois to Mt Vernon where I hit I-64 east. I stopped in Burnt Prairie, IL for gas. It had been 312 miles since I fueled up in Hernando.

This was my first big ride with an auxiliary fuel tank installed. After filling up, I could tell I still had at least 2 gallons of gas remaining. The aux tank worked well! It will be a great addition for my Ultimate Coast to Coast ride (Key West, Florida to Prudhoe Bay, Alaska) that I have planned after retirement at the end of May.

I continued east on I-64 through the bottom of Indiana, then across the Ohio river to Louisville to the suburb of Middletown. I pulled into

the ZEGGZ parking lot. The restaurant was full! I wonder what the customers were thinking when I parked in front, got off the bike, took a few selfies, then got back on the bike and left?



**Egg Sign**

By now, it was 11:00 am. The sun was shining with blue skies and a few white, puffy clouds above. The temperature was in the 70's. A perfect day for riding. Well, except for the wind. It had been very windy since the beginning of the ride!

I jumped on I-265 around Louisville to I-65 south. I stopped to fuel up at the Franklin, KY exit. 291 miles on that fuel load with plenty to spare in the tanks!

Traffic thickened the closer I got to Nashville. The temperature peaked at 82 degrees in the city limits. I jumped on I-24 southeast bound.

Once through Nashville, I stopped in Murfreesboro for an eggroll at the "No. 1 Chinese Restaurant". I stopped for about 30-45 minutes to enjoy lunch. I had Mongolian beef along with 2 eggrolls. This stop got me re-energized to complete the ride! I had 400 miles to go!



**Egg Treat #3**

I continued on I-24 toward Chattanooga. It had been a beautiful ride all day! The trees were budding out with small green leaves. The hint of green throughout the landscape was a great reminder that spring was here! All the plants were waking up from winter.

As I rode through Monteagle, TN, I enjoyed the east Tennessee countryside scenery. Just before Chattanooga, I turned onto highway 72 westbound.

Traffic wasn't too bad as I rode through Huntsville at 4:30 pm. I-565 took me down to Decatur, AL where I jumped on highway 72 Alternate. This was a nice 4-lane divided-highway for the next 150 miles.

As I rode through Corinth, MS, I see a Cadence Bank. The sun was still up. By now, I had met the mileage minimum, so I decided to stop for my last required selfie. This would represent where I would feel safe putting my nest egg.

The rest of the ride home was nice. Highway 72 has little to no traffic. The sun slowly set directly in front

of me—Blinding me at times as I rode along.



**Nest Egg Requirement**

I made it back to the Circle K in Hernando. Official end time was 7:46 pm for a total of 1,043 miles in 15 hours and 57 minutes.

This was just what the doctor ordered! A great day weather-wise along with all the beautiful scenery along the route! Flowers and trees were blooming! It was a wonderful reminder that Spring is here! The egg hunt was a fun, scavenger hunt to keep the 1,000 mile ride interesting!

**2019 BMW R1250GSA**  
Distance: 1,043 miles  
Time: 15 hrs, 57 min.  
Average Speed: 65 mph  
Fuel Used: 32.846 gal  
Fuel Mileage: 31 mpg  
High Temperature: 82°  
Low Temperature: 57°



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