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Biker is following his dream across Europe

After making a tidy sum selling his flat in London, biker Mike With is living his dream of a two-wheeled tour around Europe.

The 40-year-old, from Poplar Close, Eaton, has set up an internet site so Evening News readers can follow his progress.

Mr With, who will be riding a classic English Triumph Bonneville, said: "Lots of people will be spending their summer holidays by the seaside this year, but I'm taking things a bit further — actually a lot further — by riding a motorbike around the coast of Europe.

"I have 31 border crossings through 28 countries before I reach my destination, the Russian-Georgian border on the Black Sea.

"It's exciting for me because I don't know how long it's going to take. I'm in the fortunate position where I sold my flat in London so I've got a bit of money saved up to pay for the trip. My job also came to a natural end. I'm a single man with no ties."

Highlights along the route will include Copenhagen, Amsterdam, Venice and Istanbul, hotspots Malaga, St Tropez and Athens, plus unfamiliar areas including Kaliningrad in Russia, and Albania.

→ Readers can follow his progress by logging on to the Evening News website, www.eveningnews24.co.uk

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