## Bamboosero 783 San Andreas Rd La Selva Beach, CA 95076



## Frame Care Sheet

Congratulations on your selection of a Bamboosero bamboo bicycle frame!

There are a few things to keep in mind in order to experience flawless performance from your bicycle.

- 1. <u>Clamping the Frame</u>: Do not clamp the frame directly. Install a seatpost, tighten the seat binder and clamp the seatpost into the workstand.
- 2. <u>Seatpost Insertion:</u> The maximum insertion for the seat post is 5"(127mm). If the rider needs the seat post lowered more than what the seat post will allow, you will need to cut the seat post to fit. Failure to follow directions may cause damage to frame.
- 3. <u>Cables:</u> The frames have unthreaded, split cable stops. For Road bikes, it is recommended that adjuster barrels be installed in the cable housing. Jagwire makes a good one. For flat bar mounted shifters, use the cable tensioning found on the shifter.
- 4. Front Derailleur. All models except the city bike are built with a seat tube that will work with a 35 mm clamp diameter. In some cases the bamboo will be slightly larger or smaller diameter or not perfectly round, making some derailleurs difficult to fit. If you are unable to squeeze the clamp while simultaneously tightening the clamp bolt, you may need use a longer clamping bolt. For smaller than 35 mm diameter, use tape to increase the diameter at the clamping area.
- 5. <u>Chain Suck:</u> Minor chain suck is generally not a great concern. If the chain suck is so severe that there is a deep gouge in the chainstay, the frame should be returned for repair. Chain suck can be easily prevented by keeping the limit screws of the front derailleur adjusted close to the limits of the chain travel.
- 6. <u>Paint chips and scratches:</u> During the long life of your frame, you will undoubtedly get a few scratches or chips. These can often be rubbed out with an automotive scratch removing compound. A paint chip that exposes the bamboo will not have any effect on the structural integrity of the frame. For cosmetic reasons, a chip would need touchup paint. If refinishing the frame, use an automotive quality, 2 part polyurethane with a flex additive.
- 7. <u>Cleaning:</u> Clean the frame with soap and water. Alcohol can be used for road tar and other harder to remove residue. Don't use Acetone! Car waxes can be used but will require a complete stripping of the frame when you want to have the frame refinished.

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