Longboarding

What is longboarding? Longboarding is considered as surfing the streets. The reason for this is because a longboard requires the same sort of balance as surfing does and it feels the same as riding a wave. Longboarding Is the same as skateboarding but the boarding is a lot longer making it for cruising and carving, skateboards are more for tricks instead.

Who longboards? Most places around the world you will see people longboarding, it could be to school, work, and going to the shops or just going for a ride.

Why I longboard? There are two main reasons why I longboard, the first is transportation to get to glass most days. The other reason is because I enjoy being able to travel places fast and keep fit in the process. I also enjoy carving while I’m am going fast either on the footpath or the road.

Why others longboard? Mostly everyone longboards for the same reason as me. But they may do it as an actual sport which is awesome. Downhill longboarding has been around for many years, the aim is to get to the bottom of the hill with the fastest time. Some of the riders reach up to over 80km/h.

History: Longboarding has been around for a long time but has experienced resurgence in the last two decades. Long before Tony Hawk or even Christian Hosoi were carving up huge halfpipes, longboards were a surfer’s second option when the waves weren’t especially inviting. Sometimes referred to as sidewalk surfing, longboarding first became popular in Hawaii sometime in the 1950s and longboards were first made commercially available in 1958.

Longboarding is the act of riding on a [Longboard](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Longboard). Longboarding also has competitive races downhill, with some riders reaching speeds exceeding 50 miles per hour. A longboard varies in shape and size unlike its set counterpart, the [skateboard](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skateboard), and has more stability, traction and durability due to larger wheel size and lower wheel [durometers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Durometer). Many, but not all longboards, use trucks that contain different geometric parameters than a skateboard as well. These factors and their variation have given way to a variety of disciplines, functions and purposes for a longboard. The angles at which some longboards can turn, as well as their ability to coast long distances make them more suitable for cruising, and commuting, on streets than regular skateboards.