

Not new to frame building, Paul Sadoff has been torching steel frames since the summer of 1978. In the early days, building frames was a hobby—merely an extension of Paul's career as a mechanic with some of the most progressive (and busy) bicycle shops in Los Angeles, and later in Santa Cruz. After nine years of building as a sideline interest, the ringing telephone forced Paul to quit his day job and evolve into a full-time frame builder.

If you haven't heard about **rock lobster cycles** or Paul Sadoff, it is understandable, as Paul has been too busy building frames to do any real promotion of his company. Most of the **rock lobsters** on and off the road have been sold purely on a word-of-mouth basis—which is dependant upon his solid reputation among a small clientele. With hundreds of **rock lobsters** now out on the roads and trails, the hard-earned reputation for quality and personal service continues to spread.

At **rock lobster cycles**, the guy who answers the phone is the guy who builds your frame. Not many of the builders around today, with this long of a history and this kind of reputation, can make this claim.

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custom bicycle frames
designed and built
by skilled hands in
Santa Cruz, Ca.
since 1978

Mountain Frames

• Team Issue Tig SL

This is the lightest steel mountain bike produced at **rock lobster**. The 4 lb. frame is intended for racing and is best suited to lighter and/or more experienced riders looking for a durable, high-performance ride. A gusseted front triangle, externally butted seat tube and wishbone seatstays are added details to a frame constructed from a mixture of ultralight and standard Prestige tubing not featured on any other frame.

Team Issue Tig SL: custom frame only.....	\$895
Team Issue Tig SL: w/ Rock Shox Judy™ XC & stem.....	\$1,275
Ultimundo Tig SL: w/ Rock Shox Judy™ SL & Threadless stem.....	\$1,495

• Team Issue Tig

The Team Issue Tig frame is designed around Tange Prestige tubes, and incorporates a wishbone-style seatstay. It's built heavy duty for long life in extremely punishing conditions, and is a good choice for riders over 200 lbs.

Team Issue Tig: custom frame only.....	\$825
Team Issue Tig: w/ Rock Shox Judy XC™ & stem.....	\$1,195

• Team Issue Fillet

The most popular **rock lobster** model over the last 8 years. Uniform bronze fillets join a custom mix of tubes and design to produce an uncommonly clean-looking frame. In order to maintain the frame's minimalist lines, the gussets are internal.

Team Issue Fillet: custom frame only.....	\$995
Team Issue Fillet: w/ choice of fork & stem, starting at.....	\$1,275

• Signature Fillet

This frame is an artistic statement created to be brutalized on mountain trails. Every brazed joint is painstakingly hand-filed to cosmetic perfection. Reinforcing collars are given, adding to artistic embellishment and the frame's integrity. The final result is the ultimate expression of the frame builder's craft.

Signature Fillet: custom frame only.....	\$1,200
Signature Fillet: w/ choice of fork & stem, starting at.....	\$1,550

• Expert Tig (imported)

The Expert Tig frame is designed by Paul Sadoff and intended to offer customers a higher-than-average quality production-level mountain frame, around which they can spec a mix of componentry to best suit their needs. Built with Tange tubes and designed for use with front suspension systems, the 4.6 lb. frame incorporates a wishbone-style seatstay, gusseted down tube, top tube cable routing and externally-buttressed seat tube. (Available in either blue or chrome green; 17" x 23" and 19" x 23.5" sizes only.)

Expert Tig: frame only.....	\$395
Taiwan Team Tig SL: frame only.....	\$495

Road Frames (all feature English threaded bottom bracket)

• Basic Road

Our popular basic road frameset is probably the only high-quality, custom-built road frame available for under \$1,000 in the U.S. We use Tange Prestige tubing throughout, and your choice of tig-welding or silver solder-lugged construction (using Everest lugs, cast fork crown & bottom bracket shell).

Basic Road: custom frame & fork.....	\$925
Basic Road: custom frame & Kestrel EMS™ fork.....	\$1,125

• Signature Road

If you're looking for a blatant statement of individuality, or something special, our signature road frameset affords the customer and builder an opportunity to create an heirloom-quality frame. The final product, aside from the perfect fillets and other custom details, is a lasting testament to frame building artistry.

Signature Road: custom frame & fork.....	\$1,400
Signature Road: custom frame & Kestrel EMS™ fork.....	\$1,600
Paris-Brest-Paris: custom frame, custom stem, & Rock Shox	
Paris-Roubaix™ fork.....	\$1,600

Cyclo-Cross Frames (all feature top tube cable routing and pulley-driven front derailleur)

• Team Issue Cyclo-Cross

The **rock lobster** Cyclo-Cross frame is designed for, and proven in, top-level national competition. This frame is probably the most advanced cyclo-cross frame made, having evolved over the last 4 years. It shares many of the celebrated features found on our Team Tig S/L mountain bike, but it also incorporates thoughtful attention to details for traditional 700c wheel size. Also, design features like a machined headtube, gusseted top & down tubes, MTB ultralight chainstays and flattened unicrown forkblades are unique to our frame. Our frame will accept any width 700c tire that we know of and is 8-speed compatible as well. (Limited production sizes: 47, 52, 55, 58cm)

Team Issue Cyclo-Cross: production frame & fork.....\$795

Team Issue Cyclo-Cross: custom frame & fork.....\$950

Ultimundo Cyclo-Cross: custom frame & fork.....\$1,050

More Frames

• Mountain Single-Speed

Depending upon rider preferences, these frames are identical to our Team Tig and Team Tig S/L mountain frames, with the exception of track-style rear dropouts. The wishbone seatstays, the gusseted front triangle - it's all there except for a place to hang a derailleur!

Mountain Single-Speed: custom frame only.....\$825

Mountain Single-Speed: custom frame w/ Rock Shox Mag 21™\$1,095

Ultimundo Single-Speed: frame, stem, & Rock Shox Judy SL™\$1,450

• Track

Our popular basic track frameset uses Columbus or Tange Prestige™ tubing throughout, and your choice of tig-welding or silver solder-lugged construction (with Everest lugs, cast fork crown & bottom bracket shell).

Basic Track: custom frame & fork.....\$925

Basic Track: custom frame & Kestrel EMS™ fork\$1095

• Time Trial

In 1992, the Guam Olympic Team chose **rock lobster** as their supplier for pursuit and team time trial frames. Due to the highly-customized nature of these bikes, it's best that you call us to discuss your needs.

Stems

rock lobster can make a custom stem to fit you to your bike in almost any configuration. Standard finish is black powdercoat, but wild custom designs are a specialty. Ask for details!

• Custom Tig Road or Mountain (threadless headset)

This beauty has its steerer-clamp bolt mounted smoothly (almost invisibly!) around to the side—super strong and out of the way. Very light & tough.

Custom Tig Stem (threadless).....\$85

• Custom Tig Road or Mountain (threaded headset)

Built to combine functional light weight with durability, our traditional quill-style stems are renowned for their high quality

Custom Tig Stem (threaded).....\$80

• Custom Fillet-brazed Road or Mountain (threaded headset)

A quill-style stem crafted to complement your fillet-brazed frame, because nothing else will suffice.

Custom Fillet-brazed Stem\$95

Frame Geometry and Spec's (given for 56cm road & 19in mountain frames)

• Mountain

Head Angle	71°
Seat Angle	73°
Fork Rake	1.5"
Bottom Bracket Height	11.5"
Chainstay Length	16.85"
Top Tube Length on a 19" frame	23"

• Mountain Full Race

Head Angle	71.75°
Seat Angle	73°

• Cyclo-Cross

Head Angle	72°
Seat Angle	73°
Fork Rake	1.75"
Bottom Bracket Height	11.6"

• Road

Head Angle	73°
Seat Angle	72-74°
Fork Rake	42mm
Bottom Bracket Height	10.5"

Repairs & Braze-ons

Bottom bracket cable guides	\$37
Brake bridge	\$50
Cable stop; (1)	\$10
Cantilever boss; (1)	\$20
Cantilever bosses; (2)	\$35
Cantilever bosses; (4)	\$45
w/ stops	\$60
Chainstay	\$95
Down tube (replace)	\$120
Fork blades (replace)	\$100
Fork dropout; (1)	\$20
Fork dropouts; (2)	\$35
Frame triangle; lugged (replace)	\$220
Frame triangle; lugless (replace)	\$200
Front derailleur hanger	\$29
Head tube (replace)	\$65
Internal top tube cable routing	\$65
Pump peg	\$15
Rear; Campagnolo; right side	\$65
Rear; Shimano; right side	\$55
Rear; Taiwan; right side	\$49
Steer tube (replace)	\$55
Seat tube (replace)	\$120
Seatstay (replace)	\$75
Top tube (replace)	\$120
Top tube cable routing	\$75
Water bottles; (2)	\$20

Rock Lobster Prices for year 2000

Team Tig s.l. cross-euro \$825.00

This frame is intended for racing and/or rough road riding. Made for 700x32 tire max fork included, straight-blade crowned type. This is the Team frame as used by the Spokesman Bicycles cross team at the Nationals and in the Super cup.

Team Tig s.l. cross \$895.00 This is the all-purpose up to 700x45c tire frame designed to go almost anywhere you may ride your mountain bike. Flat-blade uncrown fork is included. This frame has been ridden to two Nor-Cal District championships by Mark Howland and Will Bachar. All Rock Lobster cross frames are built with a combination of Ritchey Nitanium and Deddaccai tubing. Reynolds 853 is available at an additional cost of \$ 120.00.

Team Tig s.l. single speed \$895.00

Recently the cover bike in Mountain bike Action Magazine, this frame has been a signature item at Rock Lobster since 1987. These frames have been on the single-speed racing circuit and have been ridden to overall victories twice in the Crusty Cruiser Cup by Eric Richfer and Pat Scholt. The recommended fork is the Rock Shox Sid x.c. 80 mm. The frame, fork and stem package costs \$1295.00

Pave frame, fork and seatpost \$1350.00

The Pave is a road frame that is fully suspended by virtue of its Rock Shox Ruby fork and Road shockpost. Cobbles, chuckholes, bad roads and pilot error will not be much of a problem for the pave. I have personally ridden a Pave on a 400 km ride with low batteries in my lights and had no dented rims or pinch flats. This is an ideal frame for the all-night ride and the occasional trip to the forest of Arenburg.

Tig Road s.l. \$995.00

This is the most economical, stiff and light frame for the road. The frame is fully custom and comes with a matching fork, either straight-blade or raked. This frame is also available with the Kestrel carbon Kevlar fork for an additional \$150.00.

Team Tig s.l. mountain \$895.00

Long a favorite in the Santa Cruz mountains, this frame comes with rear wishbone seatstays, the new Salsa dropouts and Ritchey Logic Nitanium tubing. Rock Lobster will tune the geometry to match any fork, suspended or rigid.