available as frameset or complete bike

So what is this Straggler anyway? The easy answer is to say that we added disc brakes to a Cross-Check and this is close to accurate. People have asked us to make a disc version of our highly versatile Cross-Check for a long time now. The tube set, geometry, tire clearance and most everything else is the same as the Cross-Check. Straggler is slightly different, though.

The most obvious difference of course is that the Straggler has disc caliper mounts instead of rim brake studs. It'll accept rotors up to 160mm. The rear dropouts are unique, too. They're a partially closed horizontal design that accommodates single-speed or geared drivetrains. The dropouts feature stop screws that thread in from the rear that add further secure the wheel and provide rear stops when using derailleurs with exceptionally large tires, plus a threaded hole in the front of the drive side dropout for a chain tensioning screw, useful if you run a single-speed drivetrain. The rear dropouts are spaced 135mm instead of 132.5mm like the Cross-Check simply because there are far more options for disc hubs in this spacing.

Straggler shares all of the Cross-Check's braze-ons for fenders, racks and bottle cages, and like the Cross-Check its ready to take you just about anywhere. It's a day tripper and a weekender. It's a 'rough road' road bike. It's a cyclocross bike with no pretense about racing. It's a utilitarian townie. It's a light-duty touring bike. It's an all-weather commuter. And when you get tired of one set up, you can swap parts around and turn it into something else. We think that's pretty neat.

