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# 50 days until the Deutschland Tour - route details fixed

In 50 days, the Deutschland Tour will celebrate its grand opening in Weimar. On 24 August, 120 riders will start the Tour with a prologue. After the short time trial, they will cover more than 700 kilometres through Thuringia, Hesse and Baden-Württemberg before the red jersey is awarded to the overall winner in 2022 on 28 August in Stuttgart. The details of the complete route have now been finalised.

Fans can already plan their visit to the Deutschland Tour perfectly. Detailed maps, schedules and GPS files for each stage are available for download at www.deutschland-tour.com.

The varied route offers the spectators many hotspots. The daily stage start is neutralised - the pros leave the starting point at a slow pace and very close to the fans. On the way, fifteen mountain classifications, eight sprint classifications and four bonus classifications provide excitement before the stage finale. There are up to four zones per stage where the pros dispose of their drinking bottles - a coveted souvenir among fans.

With one more race day in the programme, the Deutschland Tour leads from Weimar via Meiningen and Marburg to the southwest at the end of August. The queen stage to the Schauinsland starts in Freiburg. Schiltach in the Black Forest is the starting point for the final day, which runs through the Stuttgart region to the capital of Baden-Württemberg.

#### World's best come to Germany

Prologue, classic course, mountain finish - the path to overall victory demands a complete racer. The profile of the Deutschland Tour attracts the world's top riders again this year, including the top 5 teams in the current world rankings. 14 teams from the WorldTour start together with two international ProTeams, three German Continental Teams and a German national team.

### Two race days for juniors

Also this year, the female junior cyclists are looking forward to two days of cycling races. The juniors in the U17 category ride their Newcomer Tour as part of the Deutschland Tour. On 27 August, the talents will complete the entire ascent to the Schauinsland. On Sunday, the young female riders will ring in the Deutschland Tour finale in Stuttgart and the Stuttgart region on around 40 kilometres.

## Kids, everyday cyclists, hobbyathletes - everyone rides along

In addition to the professionals and ambitious talents, more than 5,000 cycling enthusiasts are on their bikes during the Deutschland Tour. If you want to cycle yourself during your visit to the stage towns, register at www.deutschland-tour.com for the many join-in offers.

Stuttgart and the Stuttgart region offer ambitious amateur cyclists a special racing experience at the "Jedermann Tour". On 28 August, the final day of the Deutschland Tour, they can choose from two attractive routes. All hobbyathletes will start from the Schlossplatz in Stuttgart city centre for the "Weinbergrunde" (57 kilometres) or the longer tour "Durch die Region Stuttgart" (116 kilometres). Completely closed roads, routes worth seeing, a well-filled starter bag and professional organisation



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including catering and equipment service promise a great cycling Sunday. In addition to the great memories, every starter will receive a free jersey from Santini!

Children and young people between the ages of two and twelve will be thrilled by the "kinder Joy of Moving mini tour" with running bike races, bike parade and a large cycling experience world. In Weimar, Meiningen, Marburg and Stuttgart, the little ones can expect great fun on their bikes.

Also in Weimar, Meiningen, Marburg and Stuttgart, all cycling enthusiasts can take part in the "Techniker Ride Tour". Completely free of charge and no matter what type of bike - everyone is welcome to discover the region on a bike on the day of the professional race. The guided bike tours encourage daily cycling and more exercise.

In Weimar and Freiburg, the "Plan International Challenge" is a unique charity event. Amateur cyclists take to the track of the Deutschland Tour shortly before the professionals and cycle the entire first stage (Weimar-Meiningen) or the queen stage (Freiburg-Schauinsland). They will receive prominent support from Olympic champion Felix Loch, top sprinter Marcel Kittel and multiple Tour de France participant Johannes Fröhlinger. A unique experience for a good cause: the participants will collect.