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Winterberg in the Sauerland hosts the Deutschland Tour 2023

The Sauerland region marks the halfway point of this year's Deutschland Tour. Winterberg completes the list of stage destinations in 2023. A challenging 2nd stage will come to an end in Winterberg on August 25. The route in the Sauerland is particularly suitable for the aggressive classic riders.

After the first two days of racing in the Saarland with many challenges, the highest point of the tour awaits in the Sauerland during the 2nd stage. The German pros in the peloton can show off their knowledge of the route on August 25. They were guests here at the last German Championships. Nils Politt, winner of the 2021 Deutschland Tour, won his first champion's jersey back then.

In the last third of the 2nd stage to Winterberg, it becomes more and more demanding for the pros. At the latest on the finish lap through Winterberg, the finale is opened. The route passes the 'Kappe' adventure mountain as well as the bobsled run. Also, the 'Kahle Asten' casts its eye over the pros. A final climb, which ends just two kilometers before the finish, invites late attacks once again. In the shadow of Winterberg's landmark, the St. Georg ski jump, the day's winner is determined.

*"The Sauerland region is literally a highlight of this year's route. With its many climbs, the region offers the perfect backdrop for an interesting and exciting bike race. In addition, with Winterberg we meet a sports-enthusiastic partner town with great event and racing experience," says **Matthias Pietsch**, Managing Director of the Gesellschaft zur Förderung des Radsports - the organizer of the Deutschland Tour.*

*"15 years after the last stop, it's once again: Winterberg hosts the Deutschland Tour! We are pleased that Germany's most important cycling race will visit the Sauerland again. Winterberg is a sports town and not only in winter. Cycling is very important to us on every terrain, whether it's relaxed enjoyment tours for our guests on e-bikes, downhill action in the bike park or the exciting professional races," says **Michael Beckmann**, mayor of the town of Winterberg.*

The Deutschland Tour 2023 will take place from August 23 to 27. This year, the Tour will run over five race days from Saarland, where the prologue (St. Wendel) and the complete 1st stage (St. Wendel - Merzig) will be held, to Bremen. The middle section of the route leads through North Rhine-Westphalia, where the Deutschland Tour stops in Winterberg and in Essen. The cycling race attracts more than 500,000 visitors to the route every year and more than 5 million viewers to the screens in Germany alone.

Stage destinations Deutschland Tour 2023

- Prologue (August 23): St. Wendel
- 1. Stage (August 24): Merzig
- 2. Stage (August 25): Winterberg
- 3. Stage (August 26): Essen
- 4. Stage (August 27): Bremen