

Lid Deutschland Tour 2025: The Route at a Glance

Five days, six cities, and 735 kilometers – the Lidl Deutschland Tour 2025 is set to deliver top-tier cycling action. From now on, detailed route maps, elevation profiles, and official time schedules are available at lidl.deutschland-tour.com – from the thrilling start in Essen to the grand finale in Magdeburg.

The race kicks off with a prologue at the UNESCO World Heritage Site Zeche Zollverein and winds its way through three federal states, ending at the Elbe River. With flat sprint stages, technically demanding sections, and grueling climbs, the route offers challenges for sprinters, classics specialists, and climbers alike – promising suspense until the very last kilometer. A standout highlight: the queen stage on Saturday, featuring 3,000 meters of climbing over 175.7 kilometers from Arnsberg to Kassel, including the infamous Hirschberger Wand, with gradients topping 20%.

The route combines proven host cities like Essen, Arnsberg, and Kassel with new stage locations such as Herford, Halle (Saale), and Magdeburg. This mix of familiar places and new discoveries makes the Lidl Deutschland Tour 2025 a celebration for cycling fans, full of goosebump moments along the entire course.

But the Lidl Deutschland Tour isn't just about the pros. Each stage town offers a full program of side events: the "kinder Joy of Moving mini tour" invites kids to take their first pedal strokes, the LichtBlick Newcomer Tour gives young female riders a platform to shine, and the Expo Tour keeps the crowd entertained with stage shows, interactive experiences, and healthy snacks courtesy of Lidl.

A special finale awaits on August 24 in Magdeburg, when more than 2,000 amateur cyclists will join the ADAC Cycling Tour on two wheels. Participants can choose between a 48.6- or 118.7-kilometer route through the "#moderndenken" state of Saxony-Anhalt, with 32 kilometers following the original pro course. The day concludes with a vibrant cycling festival along the Schleinufer – a gathering point for riders, fans, and families alike.

Now available:

- Detailed stage maps (PDF)
- Elevation profiles with route characteristics
- Time schedules with estimated passing times
- GPX data for on-site route planning