

# MEDIA GUIDE



2025 UEC ROAD

# EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

FRANCE | 1-5 OCTOBER

# 2025





# MICHEL CALLOT

*President of the French Cycling Federation (Co-organiser)*

When we talk about ‘major international sporting events’ (GESI in french), we naturally think of France’s organisational expertise, and more specifically that of the FFC when it comes to cycling. No fewer than five World Cycling Championships have been held on French soil over the last four years: two on Track Cycling, in Roubaix and Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, one in BMX Racing in Nantes, one in Mountain bike in Les Gets, and another in Cyclo-cross, as recently as last January, in Liévin – not to mention the FFC’s contribution to the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. Five (or even six) undeniable successes, and yet a step up in the quality of the events delivered.

Because no longer having to prove that we are capable, in no way prevents us from striving to do better, always better. And that is the roadmap we have set for ourselves at the FFC – particularly with the 2027 UCI Super World Championships in Haute-Savoie in mind, but above all as a matter of principle.

With these European Cycling Championships, France, and more specifically the departments of Drôme and Ardèche, will once again be the focus of attention for the sporting world. Races with challenging profiles, requiring explosive power as well as a level of freshness that is far from guaranteed at this stage of the season, promise us both a high-calibre field and a spectacular show.

French cycling has no shortage of contenders for the star-spangled jersey, and I hope that one of our home-grown punchers will repeat Christophe Laporte’s feat in 2023.

But for the riders to battle it out and the champions to emerge, we need a solid framework, smooth organisation at all levels, and all the cogs in the machine to mesh together. That is why I would like to express my deep gratitude to all our partners and contributors, from the Drôme-Ardèche Organising Committee to the local authorities, not forgetting, of course, the departments themselves and the AURA region.





# GUILLAUME DELPECH

*President of the Local Comitee (Co-organiser)*

From the 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> of October 2025, Europe's best cyclists will compete on the roads of Drôme-Ardèche to win the title of European Road Cycling Champion and wear the star-studded jersey for the next 12 months.

From the foothills of the Vercors to the Rhône-Crussol mountains, from the prefecture town of Privas to the Drôme valley, via the Valence Romans Agglomération area, 14 titles will be awarded between the time trials and the road races.

On demanding courses, which host the FAUN ARDÈCHE CLASSIC and the FAUN DRÔME CLASSIC every year, the spectacle will undoubtedly be spectacular. Many, from the headliners to the young prodigies, will be surprised by the difficulty of the courses. This exceptional event, unprecedented in scale in this region, will showcase magnificent landscapes and an ideal playground for cycling.

After several months of hard work, this week will finally be a reward for the driving forces behind the Boucles Drôme-Ardèche Organising Committee, who are exclusively volunteers with a burning passion for cycling and this region.

I would also like to thank our public and private partners, government departments, the municipalities involved, the European Cycling Union and its President Enrico DELLA CASA, the French Cycling Federation and its President Michel CALLOT, and all our service providers for their combined efforts alongside us to organise a European Road Cycling Championship which, I am certain, will be a landmark event.





# ENRICO DELLA CASA

*President of European Cycling Union (UEC)*

It is with great pride that we entrust the organisation of the 2025 Road European Championships to the departments of Drôme and Ardèche, in the heart of a France that has always been passionate about cycling. With its rolling hills, legendary roads and passionate riders, this splendid region will be the setting for the most important event on our calendar.

This year's edition has a special significance as we are celebrating the tenth edition of the Elite European Championships, which were first held in France in 2016. A milestone that testifies to the growth of an event capable of showcasing the talent of the greatest champions and attracting enthusiasts from all over Europe.

I would like to thank the French Cycling Federation which has always been a benchmark at the highest level in Europe and beyond, and a valuable partner for our events and its President Michel CALLOT. My sincere thanks also go to the Drôme and Ardèche departments for their hospitality, to the localities involved in the races, to the Organising Committee chaired by Guillaume Delpech and to all the volunteers whose commitment and dedication make this great celebration of sport possible.

I wish all the athletes, teams and spectators an exceptional day, full of emotions and spectacle on the roads of this magnificent region.







# THE UEC EUROPEAN ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS A MAJOR EVENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR



Elisa BALSAMO - Lorena WIEBES - Daria PIKULIK  
Podium Elite Women 2024



# 51 NATIONS COMPETING FOR THE STAR-SPANGLED JERSEY

-  **14 European titles awarded**, from U19 to Elite professionals
-  **800 riders / 350 staff members / 51 nations**
-  **International TV coverage** reaching **54 countries**  
and approximately **150 millions households - Over 200h of live TV coverage**
-  **25 nations** holding TV rights
-  **Several hundred accredited journalists**
-  **5 days of cycling action**
-  **Highly diverse routes** on roads and circuits offering **real challenges** and providing **continuous entertainment** over the 5 days



# TV COVERAGE

- ALBANIA
- ANDORRA
- ARMENIA
- AUSTRIA
- AZERBAIJAN
- BELGIUM
- BIELORUSSIA
- BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA
- BULGARIA
- CROATIA
- CYPRUS
- CZECH REPUBLIC
- DENMARK
- EIRE
- ESTONIA
- FINLAND
- FRANCE
- GEORGIA
- GERMANY
- GREECE
- HUNGARY
- ICELAND
- ISRAEL
- ITALY
- KAZAKHSTAN
- KIRGHIZIA
- KOSOVO
- LATVIA
- LIECHTENSTEIN
- LITHUANIA
- LUXEMBURG
- MACEDONIA
- MALTA
- MOLDAVIA
- MONACO
- MONTENEGRO
- MORROCO
- NETHERLANDS
- NORWAY
- POLAND
- PORTUGAL
- ROMANIA
- RUSSIA
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# VERY PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS



**LORENA WIEBES**  
ROAD RACE  
2022-2024



**TIM MERLIER**  
TIME TRIAL  
2024



**LOTTE KOPECKY**  
TIME TRIAL  
2024



**CHRISTOPHE LAPORTE**  
ROAD RACE  
2023



**FABIO JAKOBSEN**  
ROAD RACE  
2022



**ANNEMIEK VAN VLEUTEN**  
ROAD RACE  
2020



**ANNA VAN DER BREGGEN**  
TIME TRIAL 2020  
ROAD RACE 2016  
TIME TRIAL U23 2012



**ELIA VIVIANI**  
ROAD RACE  
2019



**REMCO EVENEPOEL**  
TIME TRIAL 2019  
ROAD RACE U19 2018  
TIME TRIAL U19 2018



**ALEXANDER KRISTOFF**  
ROAD RACE  
2017



**MARIANNE VOS**  
ROAD RACE 2017  
ROAD RACE U23 2006 / 2007  
CYCLO-CROSS 2006 / 2010



**PETER SAGAN**  
ROAD RACE  
2016





# THE EVENT

CHAMPIONNATS D'EUROPE CYCLISME SUR ROUTE UEC



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This edition is particularly significant: it is the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the European Elite Championships, which began in France in 2016.

Enrico DELLA CASA - *President of UEC*

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Christophe LAPORTE  
2023 UEC European Championships

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# SPORT PROGRAMMING

## WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER

- ★ **TIME TRIAL U19 - Women**  
Start: 9:30 a.m - Alex
- ★ **TIME TRIAL U19 - Men**  
Start: 10:45 a.m - Loriol-sur-Drôme
- ★ **TIME TRIAL U23 - Women**  
Start: 12:00 a.m - Loriol-sur-Drôme
- ★ **TIME TRIAL U23 - Men**  
Start: 12:50 a.m - Loriol-sur-Drôme
- ★ **TIME TRIAL Elite - Women**  
Start: 2:20 p.m - Loriol-sur-Drôme
- ★ **TIME TRIAL Elite - Men**  
Start: 3:45 p.m - Loriol-sur-Drôme

## THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER

- ★ **MIXED TEAM RELAY U19**  
Start: 11:00 a.m - Étoile-sur-Rhône
- ★ **MIXED TEAM RELAY Elite**  
Start: 2:30 p.m - Étoile-sur-Rhône

## SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

- ★ **ROAD RACE U23 Men**  
Start: 9:00 a.m - Guilhaerand-Granges
- ★ **ROAD RACE Elite Women**  
Start: 2:00 p.m - Privas

## FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER

- ★ **ROAD RACE U23 Women**  
Start: 9:00 a.m - Guilhaerand-Granges
- ★ **ROAD RACE U19 Women**  
Start: 12:40 a.m - Guilhaerand-Granges
- ★ **ROAD RACE U19 Men**  
Start: 3:35 p.m - Guilhaerand-Granges

## SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

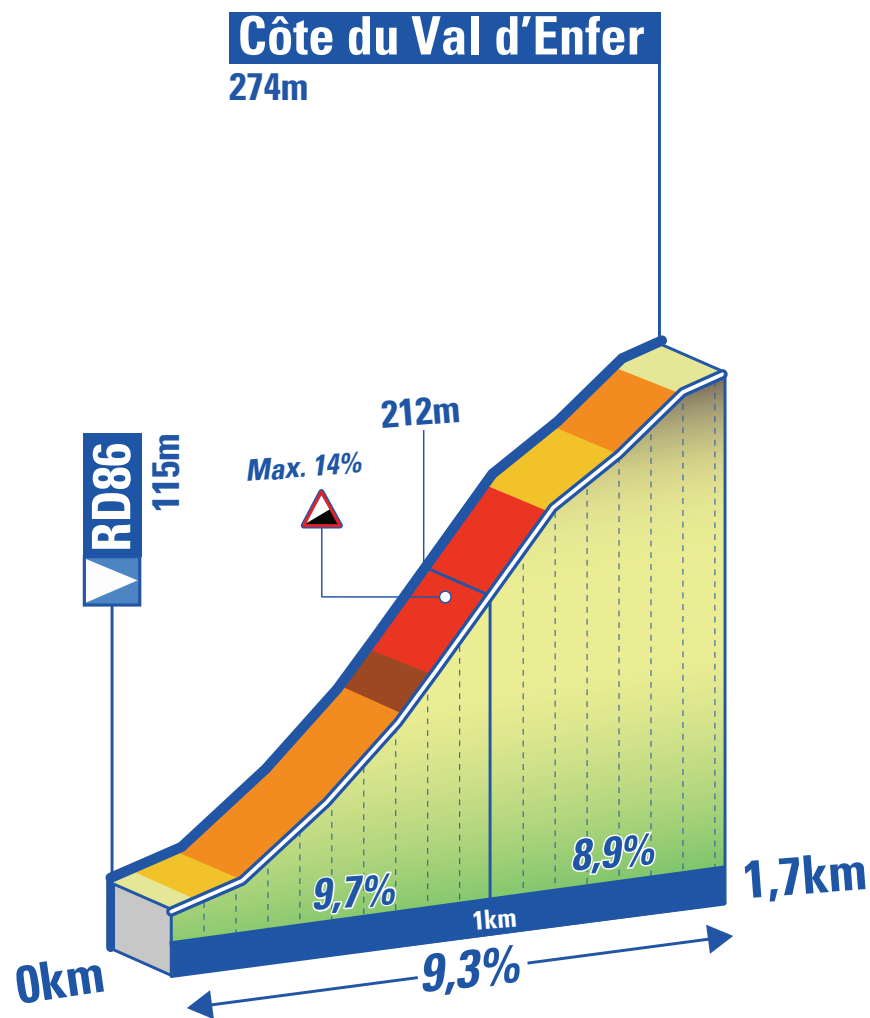
- ★ **ROAD RACE Elite Men**  
Start: 11:45 a.m - Privas

# DIFFICULTIES & COURSES





# DIFFICULTIES



## THOMAS VOECKLER

*Coach of the French  
Men's Teams*



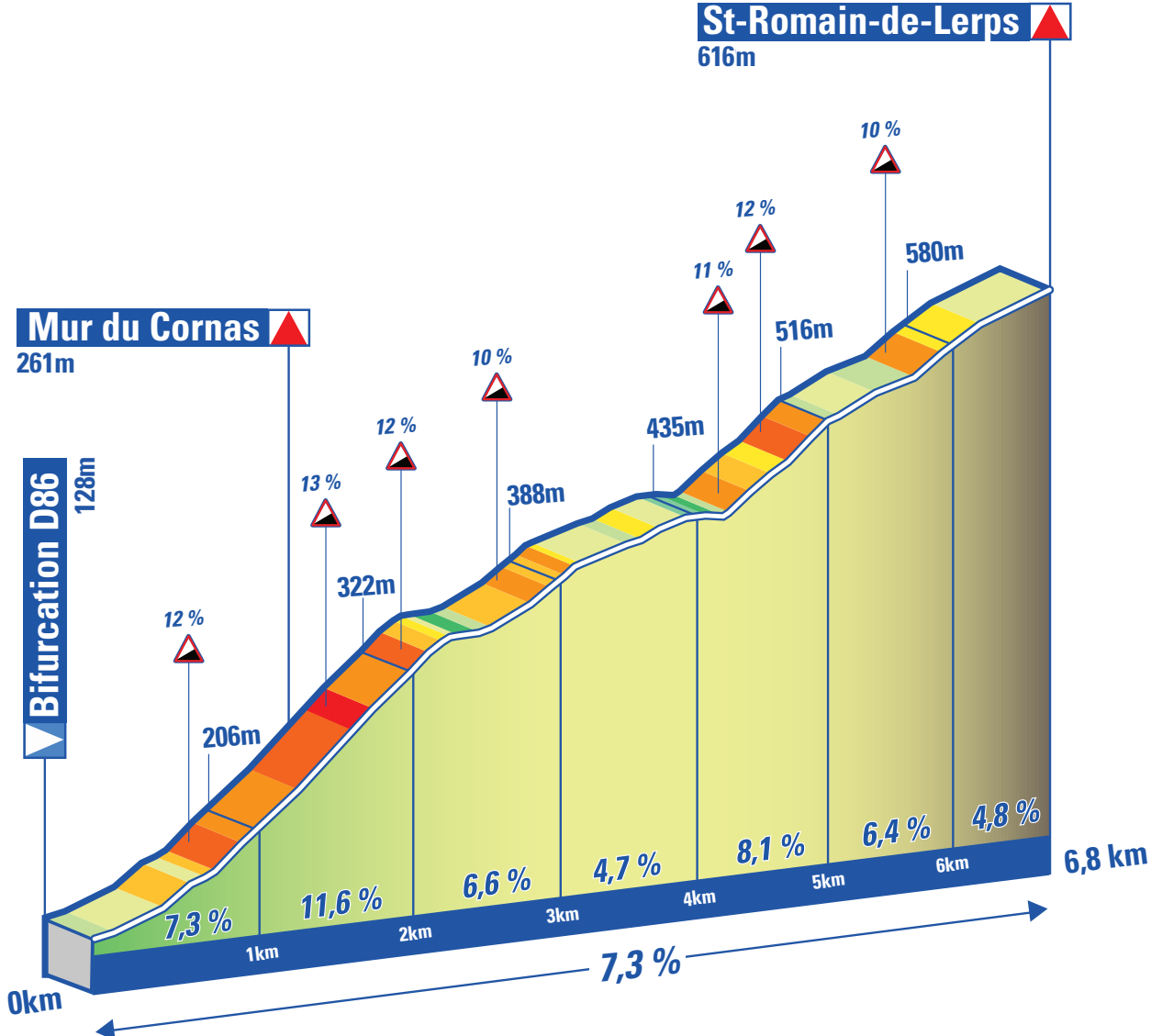
***'The Val d'Enfer certainly  
lives up to its name!'***

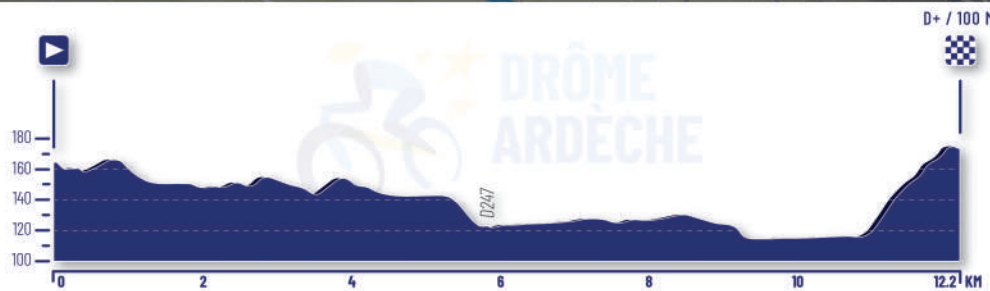
It's a tough, tricky climb, already well-known thanks to the Boucles Drôme Ardèche, and it will be even more so next October, thanks to the 2025 UEC European Road Championships.

This playground is ideal for a spectacular show. One thing is certain: on this course, there will be no second-rate UEC European Champions. The Val d'Enfer is definitely not overrated.

It's challenging and will be a key location. A tough menu to digest. All the ingredients are there for a great race, with a thrilling and unpredictable finish.

# DIFFICULTIES





WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2025

## U19 WOMEN TIME TRIAL 12,2 km

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The Junior Women will set off from the foot of the iconic Mur d'Alex, a climb made famous by the Faun Drôme Classic professional race.

The finish line on Boulevard des Remparts in Étoile-sur-Rhône will be preceded by a demanding final kilometre through the town's streets..

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Camille CHANCRIN - *Sports manager*



WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2025

## U19 MEN U23 WOMEN & MEN ELITE WOMEN & MEN TIME TRIAL 24 km

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The Junior M, Espoir W & M and Elite W & M time trials will feature a course designed for pure rouleurs, with long straights and a passage at the foot of the iconic Mur d'Allex, the starting point for the Junior Girls. The wind could play a decisive role on this sometimes exposed route.

The final stretch promises to be selective, with a demanding last kilometre through the streets of Étoile-sur-Rhône, ending at Boulevard des Remparts, where the finish line will be judged.

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Camille CHANCRIN - Sports manager





THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2025

## U19 & ELITE

# MIXED TEAM RELAY

20 km x 2 laps = 40 km

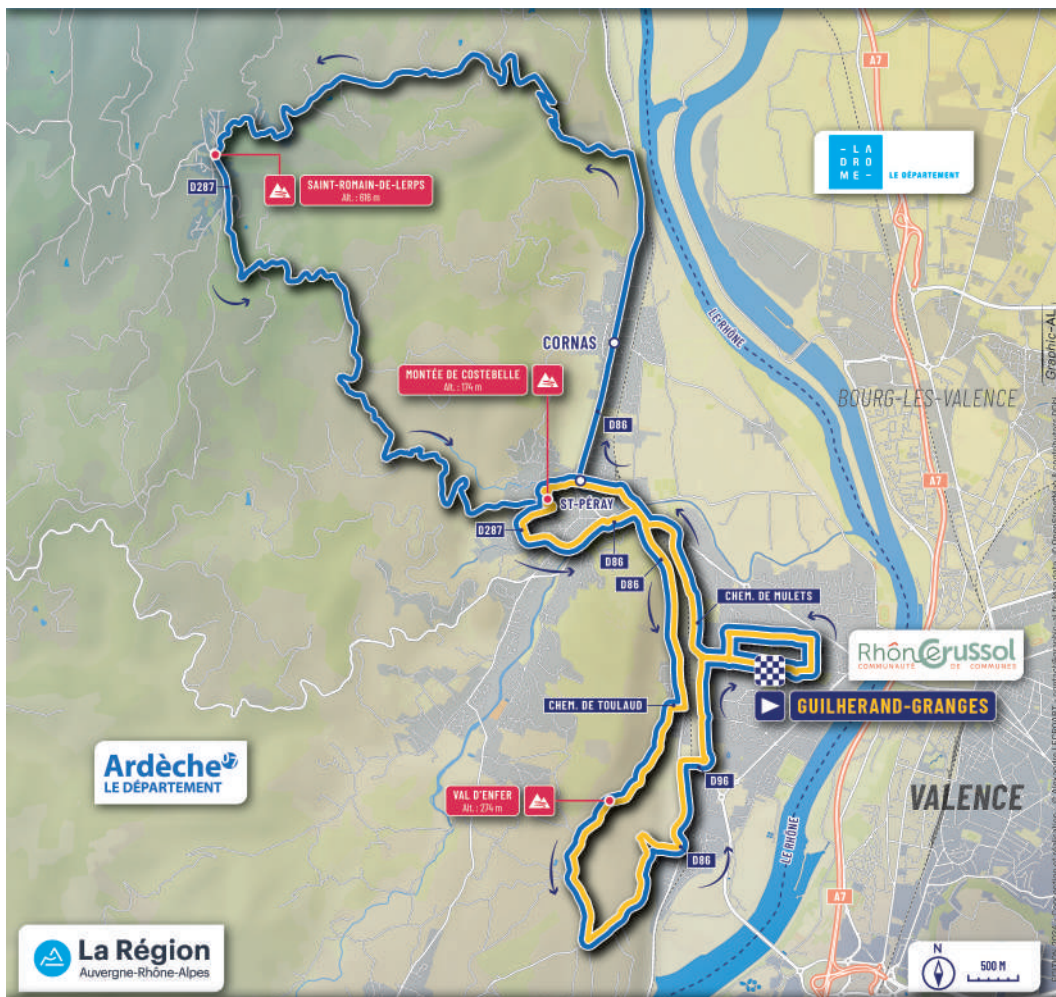
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The Junior and Elite mixed relay teams will compete on a course around Étoile-sur-Rhône, with the second half of the course mirroring the final stage of the individual time trial. With no major difficulties, this route should favour teams with the best riders.

However, teams will need to remain vigilant in the final kilometre, which is a slight climb through the streets of Étoile-sur-Rhône, to avoid losing their rhythm before the finish line on Boulevard des Remparts.

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Camille CHANCRIN - Sports manager



FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2025

## U23 WOMEN ROAD RACE

17 km x 2 laps + 34,7 km + 17 km = **85,7 km**

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The Women's Espoir race will start in Guilherand-Granges, which will also be the finish line.

The Coteaux circuit will largely follow the current route of the Boucles Drôme-Ardèche, offering ideal terrain for climbers. Riders will face the climb to Saint-Romain-de-Lerps via the Côte de Cornas, before continuing on to the Val d'Enfer.

The final circuit will showcase the punchers, with the short but very steep Côte de Costebelle, followed by another passage through the Val d'Enfer and its formidable gradients. The summit of this final climb will be approximately 5km from the finish line, promising an explosive finale open to attacks.

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Camille CHANCRIN - Sports manager





FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2025

# U19 WOMEN ROAD RACE

11,9 km + 17 km x 3 laps = **62,9 km**



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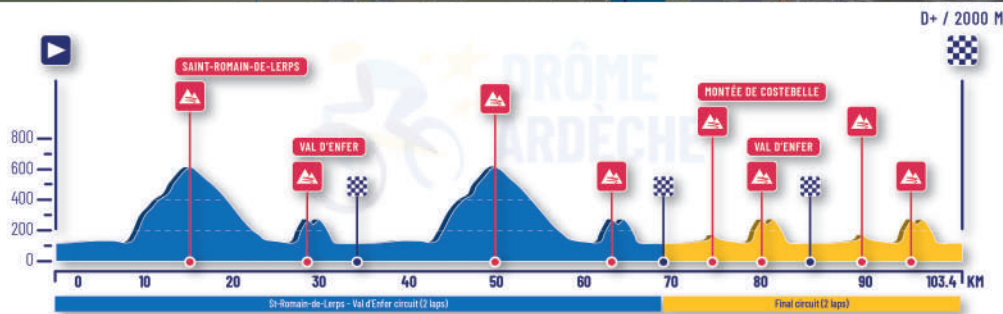
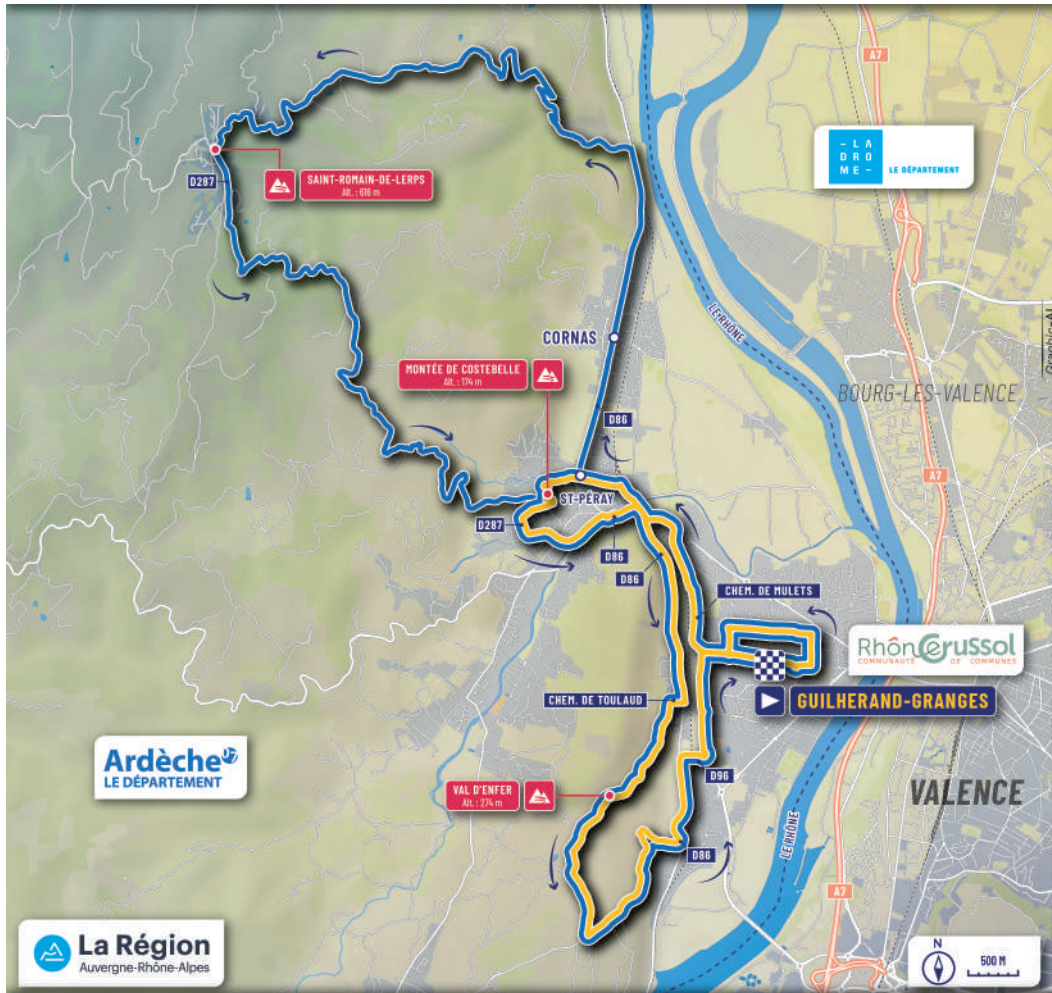
The Junior Women's race will start in Guilherand-Granges, which will also be the finish line.

They will compete on the final circuit, a demanding terrain that will put the punchers in the spotlight. On the program: the côte de Costebelle, short but very steep, then the passage through the formidable Val d'Enfer and its terrible percentages.

The summit of this last difficulty will be located approximately 5 km from the finish, promising an explosive finale open to attacks.

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Camille CHANCRIN - *Sports manager*



FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2025

## U19 MEN ROAD RACE

34,7 km x 2 laps + 17 km x 2 laps = **103,4 km**

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The Junior Men’s race will start in Guilherand-Granges, which will also be the finish line.

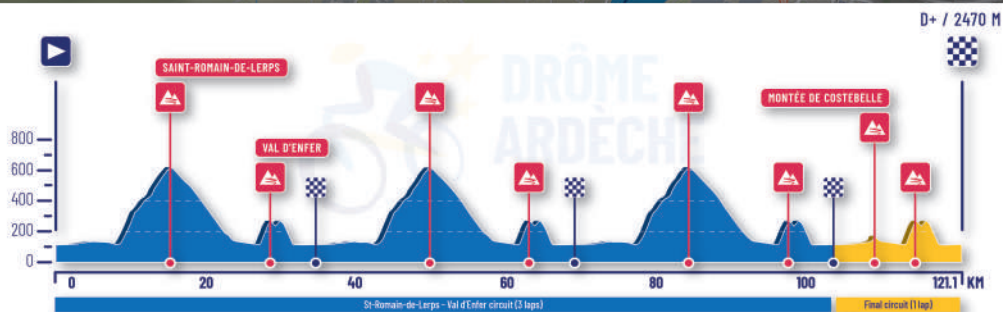
The Coteaux circuit will largely follow the current route of the Boucles Drôme-Ardèche, offering ideal terrain for climbers. Riders will face the climb to Saint-Romain-de-Lerps via the Côte de Cornas, before continuing on to the Val d’Enfer.

The final circuit will showcase the punchers, with the short but very steep Côte de Costebelle, followed by another passage through the Val d’Enfer and its formidable gradients. The summit of this final climb will be approximately 5 km from the finish line, promising an explosive finale open to attacks.

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Camille CHANCRIN - *Sports manager*





SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025

## U23 MEN ROAD RACE

34,7 km x 3 laps + 17 km = **121,1 km**

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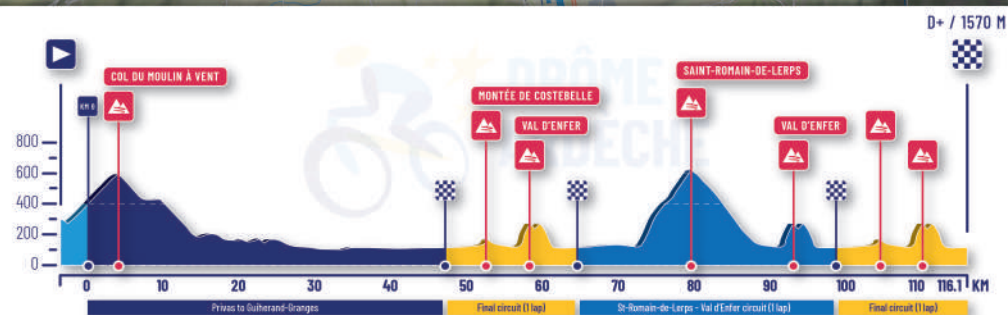
The Espoir Men's race will start in Guilherand-Granges, which will also be the finish line.

Like the Espoir Women's road race, the Coteaux circuit loop will offer ideal terrain for climbers. Riders will face the climb to Saint-Romain-de-Lerps via the Cornas hills, before continuing on to the Val d'Enfer.

The final circuit will showcase the punchers, with the short but very steep Côte de Costebelle, followed by another passage through the Val d'Enfer with its formidable gradients. The summit of this final climb will be approximately 5 km from the finish line, promising an explosive finale open to attacks.

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Camille CHANCRIN - Sports manager



SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025

# ELITE WOMEN ROAD RACE

47,4 km + 17 km + 34,7 km + 17 km  
= 116,1 km

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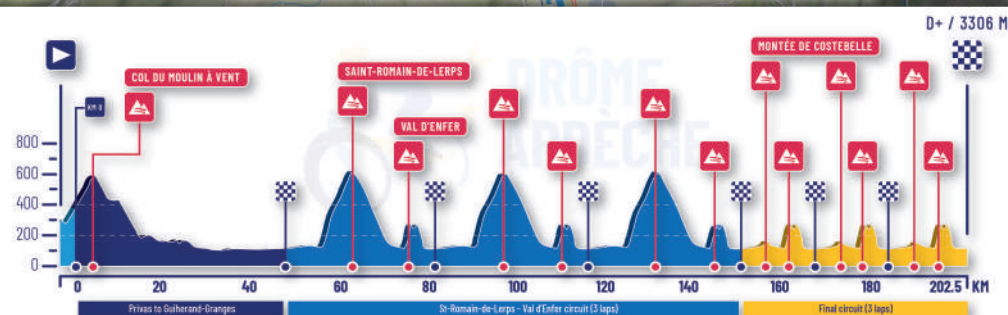
The Elite Women's race will start in Privas, with an initial flat section towards Guilherand-Granges, which will take them to the summit of the Col du Moulin à Vent, a terrain conducive to early attacks and breakaways.

This will be followed by a descent through the Eyrieux Valley to reach the final circuits around Guilherand-Granges: the Coteaux circuit, which favours climbers, then the final circuit, which is tailor-made for puncheurs. This is where the major nations are likely to make their big moves in pursuit of victory.

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Camille CHANCRIN - Sports manager





SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025

## ELITE MEN ROAD RACE

47,4 km + 34,7 km x 3 laps + 17 km x 3 laps  
= 202,5 km

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The Elite Men's road race will also start in Privas, with a route identical to that of the Elite Women. The first section heads towards Guilherand-Granges, taking the riders to the summit of the Col du Moulin à Vent, a terrain conducive to early attacks and breakaways.

This will be followed by a descent through the Eyrieux Valley to reach the final circuits around Guilherand-Granges: the Coteaux circuit, which favours climbers, and then the final circuit, which is tailor-made for puncheurs. This is where the major nations are likely to make their big moves in order to win the coveted star-spangled jersey.

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Camille CHANCRIN - Sports manager

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