



press release

Amateur stage race concludes with a spectacular finale on Lake Garda

TOUR Transalp: the most beautiful ordeal in the world

A stunning mountain backdrop, an international road cycling community and, as the crowning glory, the long-awaited dip in the cool waters of Lake Garda: more than 600 amateur cyclists took on the TOUR Transalp challenge from 21 to 27 June. Over seven spectacular and physically demanding stages, the route took participants from Lienz in East Tyrol to Riva del Garda. On the programme: 750 kilometres, 17,000 metres of climbing, numerous bucket-list mountain passes, 'wow' moments and plenty of new friendships

Bielefeld, 1 July 2026. Originally launched as a team race, the field of participants in the TOUR Transalp is becoming more diverse with each passing year. The 22nd edition of the popular stage race across the Alps saw even more young people, more women and more individual riders take to the start line. Participants from 37 different nations gathered at the start line to spend seven exciting, challenging and gruelling days together. There was plenty of sunshine along the route all week – a major challenge, with temperatures at times exceeding 40 degrees, but also a sure-fire way to keep spirits high and the perfect setting to celebrate the grand finale with a dip in Lake Garda.

The route was once again spectacular: from Lienz, it wound its way via Silian, Falcade, San Martino di Castrozza, Possango, Semonzo and Lavarone to Riva. New gems in the Dolomites such as Passo Staulanza and Passo Duran, Transalp classics like Passo Rolle and Passo Giau, and new routes on Monte Grappa and Staller Sattel made for an unforgettable Transalp mix this year.

The motivation for taking part in a Transalp varies greatly amongst the field of participants. Whilst for the majority it's about the personal experience, making new friends and testing their own limits, others line up at the start with podium ambitions.

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This year's fastest mixed team was **Michael and Janine Meyer (LeXXi Racing) from Germany**, who completed the seven stages with a clear lead over the **Italian duo Caterina Canclini and Thomas Bormolini (Kate & Thom)**. Third place went to the **Germans Nikolas and Elena Heinloth (Energy)**.

The men's team classification was won by the **Swiss pair Tobias and Sandro Schmid from Planforum Cycling Team** with a total time of just over 21 hours. Second place went to **Team Strassacker with Marvin Schmid (GER) and Marco van Schijndel (NED)**, followed by the **Dutch pair Robin Kuiters and Abel van der Windt (Team Racebaan)**.

The fastest women's duo to cross the finish line were the **German riders Lisa Stein and Julia Jedelhauser (Team Lexxi Racing Girls)**. Second place was claimed by **Nina Gunther and Pia Vogt (GER) from Team MAXXIS – tune**. Taking the third spot on the podium were **Kari Heebink and Jill Patterson (USA)** with their humorous team name '**Will Brake for Marmots**'.

In the women's solo category, **Lisa Hartung (GER)** was crowned the fastest finisher, ahead of **Nina Sender (NED)** and **Nora Normann (GER)**.

The fastest men's solo rider in the TOUR Transalp 2026 was **Hendrickx Koen (BEL)**, ahead of the **Italians Enrico Carlo Girotti and Enrico Girardi**.

All **results** and rankings can be found online at: [TOUR Transalp 2026 - Results](#)

For more information on the TOUR Transalp and numerous **photos**, visit: [The fascinating TOUR Transalp](#)

SAVE THE DATE: The dates for the 23rd edition of this Alpine classic have already been confirmed. The next adventure will take place from **20 to 26 June 2027**.

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