



Press release - Chamonix (France), Tuesday 27 August 2024

TDS, ETC and YCC: trail running in all its forms on day 2 of the HOKA UTMB Mont-Blanc

While the TDS is still underway with this year's particularly strong field giving it their all out on the trails, Tuesday's races in Courmayeur (YCC and ETC) highlighted the HOKA UTMB Mont-Blanc's mission perfectly, bringing together experienced athletes, young talent and amateur runners keen to discover trail running.

The ETC, a short but demanding format

The second edition of the Experience Trail Courmayeur (ETC) lived up to all its promise with more than 1,000 participants running the 15km, 1,200m D+ course driven by their goals, talents and desires. Runners were able to experience the thrill of pushing themselves to the limit against the exceptional backdrop of the Italian side of Mont-Blanc.

The men's podium was 100% international. Winner [Lukas Ehrle](#) (GER - UTMB Index 880) clocked a very fast time of 1h 19min 56sec, while only 4 seconds separated second-placed [Alex Garcia Carrillo](#) (ESP - UTMB Index 883) from third-placed [Daniel Pattis](#) (ITA - UTMB Index 904).

The women's category also provided intense competition with [Anaëlle Bondoux](#) (FRA - UTMB Index 767) winning the race in 1h 32min 52sec. [Maude Mathys](#) (SUI - UTMB Index 808) and [Vivien Bonzi](#) (ITA - UTMB Index 699) completed the podium in second and third respectively.



ETC podium
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Youth on the agenda with the YCC

At 11:00 this morning in sunshine and optimal race conditions, 307 young runners born between 2005 and 2010 set off from Courmayeur. For this race of future champions, the HOKA UTMB® Mont-Blanc provides routes set in the Italian Alps that are adapted to each age category.

After the first round of this two-part race, tomorrow we meet in Chamonix for round 2: YCC The Revenge. This time the young runners will start in the reverse order of today's rankings.

For all results by age category, go to live.utmb.world.

Athletes were able to experience the warm welcome of the Val d'Aosta and the unspoilt Alpine atmosphere of the town of Courmayeur during today's two events.



Start of the YCC junior
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Highlights of Wednesday 28 August 2024

- 11:00: YCC The Revenge start, Chamonix
- 14:00: Mini UTMB start, Chamonix

BEST OF - DAY 1

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Since the creation of HOKA UTMB® Mont-Blanc in 2003 by a group of passionate friends, UTMB Group has been the driving force behind the development of trail running. The HOKA UTMB® Mont-Blanc is the sports pinnacle event, and every year, 10,000 runners earn their place on the start line. UTMB Group also pioneered the LiveTrail® technology, an innovative digital service that supports the management of endurance races. Revered by hundreds of thousands of athletes, UTMB® has become a global, premium, and leading brand. In May 2021, UTMB Group partnered with The IRONMAN Group to launch the UTMB® World Series, which brings together many of the best international events on the planet to provide exclusive access to the sport's pinnacle event, HOKA UTMB® Mont-Blanc. The UTMB® World Series is built on the founding principles of HOKA UTMB® Mont-Blanc: surpassing oneself; fair-play; respect for people and the environment; and solidarity. Find out more at <https://utmb.world>.

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