



Tour de Suisse – Press release stage location Monthey

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Men`s 4th Stage to start in Monthey

After more than 70 years the Tour de Suisse returns to Monthey. The men`s fourth stage starts on Wednesday 14th June 2023 in the Valais municipality.

It's not the first time Monthey has been a start location of the Tour de Suisse

In 1952 Monthey was both the finish and start of a stage. A few years have passed and there will no longer be an 82 kilometre time trial as there was before. The day after the Stage 3 finish in nearby Villars-sur-Ollon, the peloton will head towards Lac Lemman after a neutralised start. Around 24 kilometres into the stage, the riders will pass Monthey again. "With this initial loop, spectators will have the opportunity to see the peloton pass twice by the start location in Monthey," says the Tour de Suisse's Sports Director, David Loosli. After a rather gentle start, the 4th stage will be a challenge, especially in the last third. "The riders will gain the most metres in altitude on the final climb to Leukerbad," Loosli continues.

A multifaceted municipality

Located between Lake Geneva and the Valais Alps the area has something to offer all visitors. Monthey - the economic capital of the region with a population of 18,000 - is outstanding for its rich and varied range of activities. With altitudes ranging from 405 to 2065 metres above sea level, Monthey provides ideal conditions for hiking, cycling and skiing. In addition to sport, there is a multitude of cultural and leisure pursuits to be enjoyed in Monthey.

Mayor Stéphane Coppey is looking forward to the Tour de Suisse: "We are excited to welcome the legendary Tour de Suisse and to host a public festival for the community. Along the Rhone as well as on the mountain roads, our municipality offers the ideal terrain for cycling competition at the highest level". "Spectators by the roadside will be able to enjoy the thrill and fascination of cycling," continues Coppey.

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