



Preview of the cycling classic on May 1

The start of May traditionally also opens the season of German professional races. After a two-year break, Eschborn-Frankfurt will again take place on the traditional date. Back on May 1 is also the typical cycling classic atmosphere. In the best spring weather, numerous fans are expected at the start in Eschborn, at the Taunus icons and in the finish area in Frankfurt City. Sixty years after the race was first held, the cycling festival will once again provide a fitting backdrop.

Elite race

The professionals will start at 12:15 p.m. on Sunday in Eschborn. For them, 183.9 kilometers are scheduled on the way through the Taunus to the finish in Frankfurt. Fans who want to plan their visit to the course can find the passage times of the pros at the key points of the Taunus course at <https://www.eschborn-frankfurt.de/en/home/verkehr>. Starting at 4:30 p.m. at the Alte Oper, visitors can expect to see the winner of the 2022 cycling classic.

Favorites include last year's winner, Jasper Philipsen (Alpecin-Fenix), as well as local hero John Degenkolb (Team DSM) and series winner Alexander Kristoff (Intermarché - Wanty - Gobert Matériaux). From a German perspective, all eyes will be on Jonas Rutsch (EF Education - EasyPost), who makes his debut in the pro edition of his home race. Deutschland Tour winner Nils Politt (BORA-hansgrohe) and Rick Zabel (Israel - Premier Tech), runner-up in 2017, are also looking forward to the first race of the season in front of German fans.

ŠKODA Velotour

More than 6,000 participants are expected on the three routes of the ŠKODA Velotour. They will start between 08:45 and 09:45 in Eschborn for their 40, 88 or 100 kilometers. Whether the short, flat route or all the Taunus icons are ridden on the longest distance is decided by spring form. Back are this year many services for each woman and everyone: Pasta party, after-finish catering, award ceremonies and Expo make the 1st of May an experience.

Those who would like to spend a spring-like Sunday on closed roads with a view to the weather forecast can register later this weekend in Eschborn and take the starting documents with them.



Seven races for the youngsters

Pupils and youth races on a WorldTour course on the same day as the pros? That only happens at the cycling classic. At 10:40 a.m. the licensed club riders of the U11, U13, U15 and U17 start for the Süwag Energie Nachwuchs-Cup. Immediately after the junior riders, the VGF - alle fahren mit - Inclusion Race will celebrate its comeback at the Alte Oper at 2:00 pm. Shortly before the pros turn onto their finishing laps, the little ones get their big stage. At 3:00 p.m., the "kinder Joy of Moving mini tour" Kids Bike Parade attracts children up to twelve years of age onto their bikes. Shortly thereafter, the kids from two years of age will make many eyes light up in the wheel race on the home stretch.