

Ready for Klein, van der Poel & Co.: Road cycling routes announced for European Championships Munich 2022

Odeonsplatz and its sights such as the Residence, the baroque Theatiner Church, the Court Garden and the majestic lions of the Field Marshal's Hall attract millions of guests every year under normal circumstances. The surrounding countryside of the Bavarian capital equally provides a real tourism boom with its idyllic lakes and rivers as well as the picturesque view of the Bavarian Alps. The rural flair is also reflected in the Upper Bavarian towns of Fürstentfeldbruck, Landsberg and Murnau, making them ideal partner towns for the European Championships Munich 2022 as the starting venues for the UEC Road European Championships, where the top European stars such as Lisa Klein (GER) and Mathieu van der Poel (NED) will race for a total of four gold medals. The women's elite road race starts in Landsberg, the men's elite in Murnau. Next year, both races will connect the two tourist attractions, city centre and surroundings, leading through the foothills of the Alps to Munich, where the finish line will be at Odeonsplatz after several final laps through the city centre. The time trial events of the men's and women's elite will be held in Fürstentfeldbruck.

Nine exciting and spectacular European Championships will take place within the biggest multi-sport event since the 1972 Olympic Games in and around Munich. From 11-21 August 2022, more than 4,400 athletes will compete for gold, silver, and bronze in 158 medal events in the Bavarian capital. Hardly any other sport is as multifaceted as cycling. 30 titles are on the agenda of the UEC Road European Championships. 22 medals will be awarded in track cycling, two each in mountain bike cross-country and BMX freestyle and four in road cycling. Women and men will each compete in the road race and time trial.

Women's Elite Road Race: From Landsberg am Lech to Munich

The women's elite road race will start in Landsberg. After a short loop through the centre of the medieval Bavarian town on the 'Romantic Road', the 128-kilometre course will take the riders past the southern ends of Lake Ammersee and Lake Starnberg via Wolfratshausen and its hill on the B11 road to Munich. The athletes have to master 690 metres of altitude difference before they arrive at the foot of the Angel of Peace after 98 kilometres along the Isar, where the final city laps will begin.

Men's Elite Road Race: From Murnau a. Staffelsee to Munich

The men's race will start with an opening lap through the colourful pedestrian zone of Murnau - the heart of the town. From the 'Blue Land', the 208-kilometre route will lead over hill Kesselberg along Lake Walchen and, with the Alpine panorama as a backdrop, through the Jachenau, Lenggries, Bad Tölz, Geretsried and Eurasburg to Münsing, Berg and via road Olympiastraße to the Bavarian capital. After 139 kilometres and 1,050 metres of elevation gain, the men's field will turn onto the finishing lap at the Angel of Peace.

Final showdown in the city centre

The final showdown of the two road races will take place on a technically demanding 13-kilometre circuit through Munich's city centre. The finish laps begin with a loop around the Angel of Peace and continue along Prinzregentenstraße and Ludwigstraße around the Siegestor and on towards Theresienwiese. After the peloton passes the Bavaria, the course takes them through the city centre back to the Siegestor. After two full laps in the women's race and five in the men's race, the eyes will turn to Ludwigstraße and the finish at Odeonsplatz, where breakaways will cap their performance or the best road cyclists will sprint for the European Championship title.

Fürstenfeldbruck - battle against the clock in front of the monastery church

The crowning of Europe's best time trial cyclists will take place in Fürstenfeldbruck. The start and finish of the time trial is one of the town's most famous sights - the former Cistercian Monastery of Fürstenfeld. From there, the course first leads to Biburg and Schöngesing. Via the country road, the course continues to Landsberied and via Jesenwang back to the baroque abbey. On the 24-kilometre route with an altitude difference of 180 metres, every second will decide about gold, silver, and bronze.

Munich 2022 – an event for everyone

More than 6,000 enthusiastic volunteers will be able to take part in the European Championships Munich 2022. The volunteer programme offers an exclusive insight into the organisation of a multi-sport event and will be an unforgettable experience. All information about the volunteer programme, the registration process and possible fields of activity can be found at munich2022.com/volunteers.

In addition to top sporting highlights, all participants can look forward to a special supporting programme: "[The Roofs - Festival of Munich 2022](#)". The festival of diversity and surprise will accompany the European Championships with a mix of music, culture, art, food and much more, making the visit a holistic, unforgettable experience.

Tickets will be available to purchase in the summer of 2021. All important information about the European Championships Munich 2022 is available at:

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NOTES TO EDITORS

1. Nine European championships 'under one roof' – with the European Championships 2022 Munich welcomes the biggest sporting event since the 1972 Olympic Games and puts the former Olympic venues at the heart of the event. From 11–21 August 2022, over 4,400 athletes will compete in the Olympic sports of athletics, beach volleyball, canoe sprint, cycling, gymnastics, rowing, sport climbing, table tennis and triathlon in the second edition of the multi-sport European Championships, which were first held in Berlin and Glasgow in 2018. Europe's sporting elite and 158 medal events guarantee exciting and top-class competitions. In addition to top sporting performances, all participants can look forward to the festival "The Roofs". The varied supporting programme will round off Munich 2022 culturally in the anniversary year and make it a holistic, unforgettable experience.
2. The European Championships Munich 2022 feature nine participating Federations: European Athletics, Confédération Européenne de Volleyball, European Canoe Association, Union Européenne de Cyclisme, European Gymnastics, World Rowing, International Federation of Sport Climbing, European Table Tennis Union, and Europe Triathlon.
3. The European Broadcasting Union (EBU), the umbrella body for Europe's free-to-air channels, is the Official Broadcast Partner of the European Championships Munich 2022.
4. European Championships Management (ECM) manages and coordinates the European Championships in cooperation with the participating Federations, host cities and broadcast partners, continuously developing the event concept.

5. The inaugural European Championships in Glasgow and Berlin took place through 2-12 August 2018. The event provided a unique platform to elevate the Champions of Europe. A cumulative television audience of 1.4 billion watched this memorable first edition on free-to-air channels in 44 territories across Europe and worldwide. There were 1.9 billion visits on websites registered and the reach on social media was 945 million.