

Tour de France 2020

AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 20

Cycling's most prestigious race began in 1903 as a way to boost sales of a sports newspaper but soon became popular in its own right. The 2020 race features all five of France's mountain ranges, with the Alps, Massif Central and Pyrenees all tackled in the first eight days

Elite Club

Four riders have conquered Le Tour five times, with **Bernard Hinault's** 1985 win providing most recent French victory. Four-time winner **Chris Froome** is out of form and not selected for **Team Ineos** squad in 2020

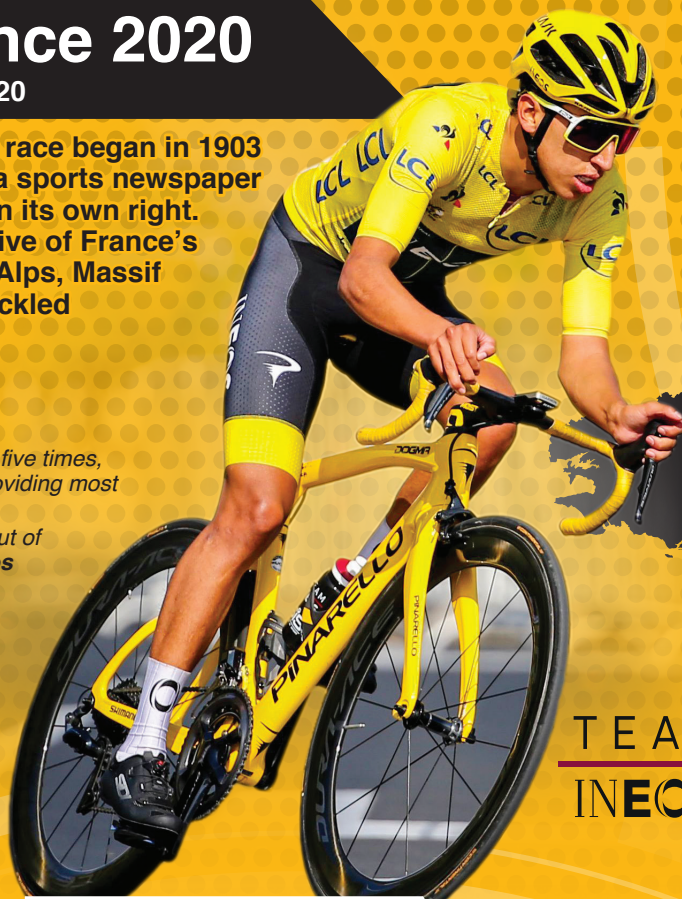
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1957, 61, 62, 63, 64

5 Eddy Merckx BEL
1969, 70, 71, 72, 74

5 Bernard Hinault FRA
1978, 79, 81, 82, 85

5 Miguel Induráin ESP
1991, 92, 93, 94, 95

4 Chris Froome GBR
2013, 15, 16, 17



TEAM
INEOS

Race Classifications

Jersey colours



Overall leader: Yellow

Awarded to race winner and worn by current race leader at start of each stage – calculated by totalling each day's finishing time

Points leader: Green

Fastest sprinters compete for points at end of each stage – points adjusted by terrain, with flat stages awarding most points

King of the Mountains: Polka dot

Held by rider who proves to be best climber, with more severe climbs offering most points

Best young rider: White

Awarded to highest placed rider aged 24 or younger on first day of year. Prize returned in 2000 after 10-year hiatus

Yellow jersey first awarded in 1919 to help spectators identify race leader. Instantly recognisable and highly sought after, it has since been worn by total of 270 riders from 24 countries

HIGHEST NUMBER OF DAYS IN YELLOW JERSEY

Eddy Merckx (1969-72, 1974-75)

97

Bernard Hinault (1978-82, 1984-86)

76

Miguel Induráin (1991-95)

60

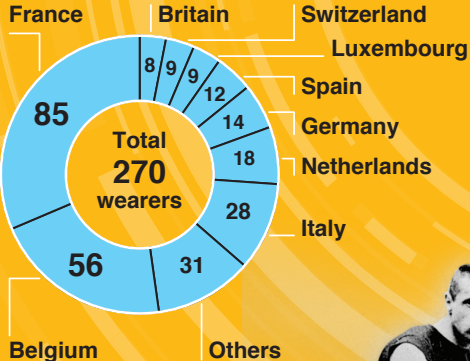
Chris Froome (2013, 2015-17)

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Jacques Anquetil (1957, 1961-64)

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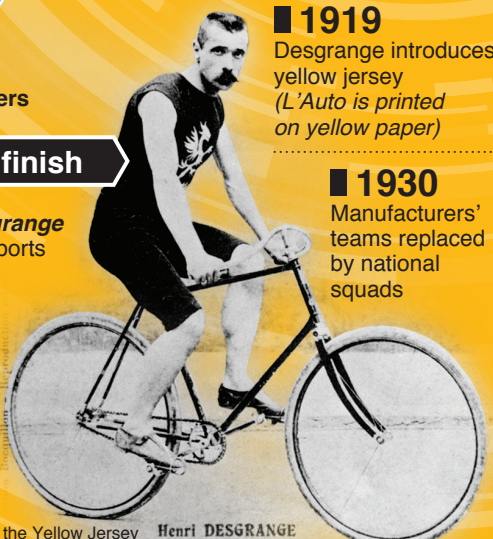
YELLOW JERSEY WEARERS BY COUNTRY



Le Tour: Start to finish

1903: Henri Desgrange (right), editor of L'Auto sports newspaper, creates Tour de France. **Maurice Garin** of France is first winner

1904: Cheating crisis – some riders take trains and sabotage rivals' bicycles



Henri DESGRANGE

1930 Manufacturers' teams replaced by national squads

1905 Inaugural mountain climb, on Ballon d'Alsace

1919 Desgrange introduces yellow jersey (L'Auto is printed on yellow paper)

1937: Derailleur systems permit gear changes without removing wheels

1952 Italy's **Fausto Coppi** wins by postwar record of 28 mins, 27 secs

1967: First drug tests after Briton **Tom Simpson** dies on Mont Ventoux

1969 In stunning debut, Belgian **Eddy Merckx** (right) wins all three main jerseys – only rider ever to do so



1986: American **Greg LeMond** becomes first non-European winner

1989: LeMond defeats **Laurent Fignon** by eight seconds, smallest margin of victory in Tour history

1991-95 Spaniard **Miguel Indurain** becomes first man to win five consecutive Tours

1998 Major doping scandal involving **Festina** team rocks Tour – team ejected from race

2019: **Egan Bernal**, 22, is first Colombian to win Tour de France and youngest winner since 1909

2020: Tour de France postponed by two months due to coronavirus pandemic

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2019 winner Egan Bernal

First cyclist from Latin America to win Tour de France



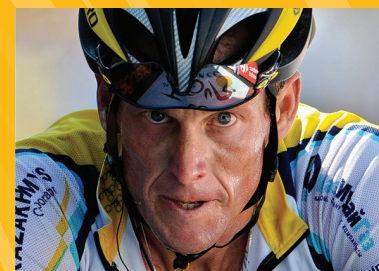
2020 Route

- 1 Stage
- Start
- Finish
- Start / finish
- Rest day
- Individual time-trial
- Mountain stage
- Transfer

GRAND DÉPART: Aug 29, Nice

Total race distance
3,484.2km

Stage	Aug-Sep	km
1	29	156
2	30	186
3	31	198
4	1	160.5
5	2	183
6	3	191
7	4	168
8	5	141
9	6	153
10	8	168.5
11	9	167.5
12	10	218
13	11	191.5
14	12	194
15	13	174.5
16	15	164
17	16	170
18	17	175
19	18	166.5
20	19	36.2
21	20	122



1999-2005: **Lance Armstrong** (above) wins seven Tours in a row but is stripped of his titles in 2012 after lengthy doping investigation

2012-18 **Bradley Wiggins** (right) becomes first British winner. Compatriots **Chris Froome** (4) and **Geraint Thomas** (1) win five of next six Tours for Team Sky



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