

Lidl Deutschland Tour 2024 with more WorldTour teams

Twelve teams from the WorldTour - two more than last year - will line up at the start of the Lidl Deutschland Tour 2024 on August 21. In addition to the only German elite team, Bora - hansgrohe, the top international teams Ineos Grenadiers and Visma | Lease a Bike will also be taking part. The field of 20 teams in total, 14 of which will also compete in the Tour de France, will be supplemented by five second-division teams and three German continental teams, which will be selected after the national championships.

Between Schweinfurt and Saarbrücken, race director Fabian Wegmann and the route planners of the Lidl Deutschland Tour have set up a real classics course, which has not gone unnoticed by the teams. Six teams from the top 10 of the current UCI world rankings have entered, with Lidl-Trek and Alpecin-Deceuninck two representatives who dominated the spring classics.

Defending champion Soudal - Quick-Step will also be taking part once again. The Belgians won the overall classification 2023 with Ilan Van Wilder, who also secured a stage win at the five-day tour. The Movistar Team and Intermarché - Wanty were also able to secure stage wins through Gregor Mühlberger and Madis Mihkels and are back in the mix. EF Education - EasyPost and Visma | Lease a Bike are back in the line-up for the Lidl Deutschland Tour after a one-year break. Another returnee is the Astana Qazaqstan Team, which last competed in 2019. Bahrain Victorious and Team dsm-firmenich PostNL complete the WorldTour line-up.

The participating second division teams are also mostly old acquaintances. Uno-X Mobility will be returning, as will TotalEnergies and the two Swiss representatives Q36.5 and Tudor Pro Cycling Team. The latter celebrated a perfect debut last year, winning the final stage with Arvid de Kleijn in a bunch sprint. Spanish newcomers Caja Rural - Seguros RGA are hoping for a similar success this time around.

Teams of the Lidl Deutschland Tour 2024 (as of June 6th, 2024)

UCI WorldTeams (12)

- Alpecin-Deceuninck
- Astana Qazaqstan Team
- Bahrain Victorious
- Bora hansgrohe
- EF Education EasyPost
- Ineos Grenadiers
- Intermarché Wanty
- Lidl-Trek
- Movistar Team
- Soudal Quick-Step
- Team dsm-firmenich PostNL
- Visma | Lease a Bike

UCI ProTeams (5)

- Caja Rural Seguros RGA
- Q36.5 Pro Cycling Team
- TotalEnergies
- Tudor Pro Cycling Team
- Uno-X Mobility

After the conclusion of the German Championships (June 21-23, 2024), three German UCI Continental teams in addition to the 17 teams will receive an invitation to the Lidl Deutschland Tour 2024.