



Tim in KY TdF Stage 5 is 177 kilometers from Saint-Jean-de-Maurienne, at the base of the Alps, north and west to Saint-Vulbas, on the west bank of the RhÃ´ne. Along the route there are several crossings of that river.

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01:40:31 pm



Tim in KY [https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1719942340-stage-5-route%20\(1\).jpg](https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1719942340-stage-5-route%20(1).jpg)

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01:40:40 pm



Tim in KY The stage is classified as â€œflatâ€ although there are several hills Two at awarded Cat 4 status. The final one is 30 kilometers from the finish. Between 3km to go and 2.5km there are two righthand turns at roundabouts.

07-02-2024
01:41:20 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1719942390-stage-5-profile.jpg>

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01:41:31 pm



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1719942410-stage-5-route-finale.jpg>

07-02-2024
01:41:51 pm



Tim in KY Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:30 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Forecast is for cloudy skies with a small chance of showers toward the end. Temps in the upper-teens.

07-02-2024
01:42:48 pm



Joanna in Virginia I hope to be able to pop-in for a little bit at the beginning of Stage 5, but just in case I cannot (due to having to judge), I wanted to send a HUGE Thank You to Katie S. for the extremely generous donation to the Tip Jar! So greatly appreciated!!

07-02-2024
01:47:38 pm



Tim in KY There were no DNF or OTL on stage 4. No news so far of any DNS today.

07-03-2024
06:33:34 am



Katie Lane Missed yesterday because I was mowing while it was cool.Â Came in and it was over.Â Today, I have time to watch and it's one of those paint-drying stages.Â Oh, well.

07-03-2024
06:44:55 am



Tim in KY Should be some pretty scenery though. Tomorrow will be even better. Macon to Dijon. Nothing but vineyards.

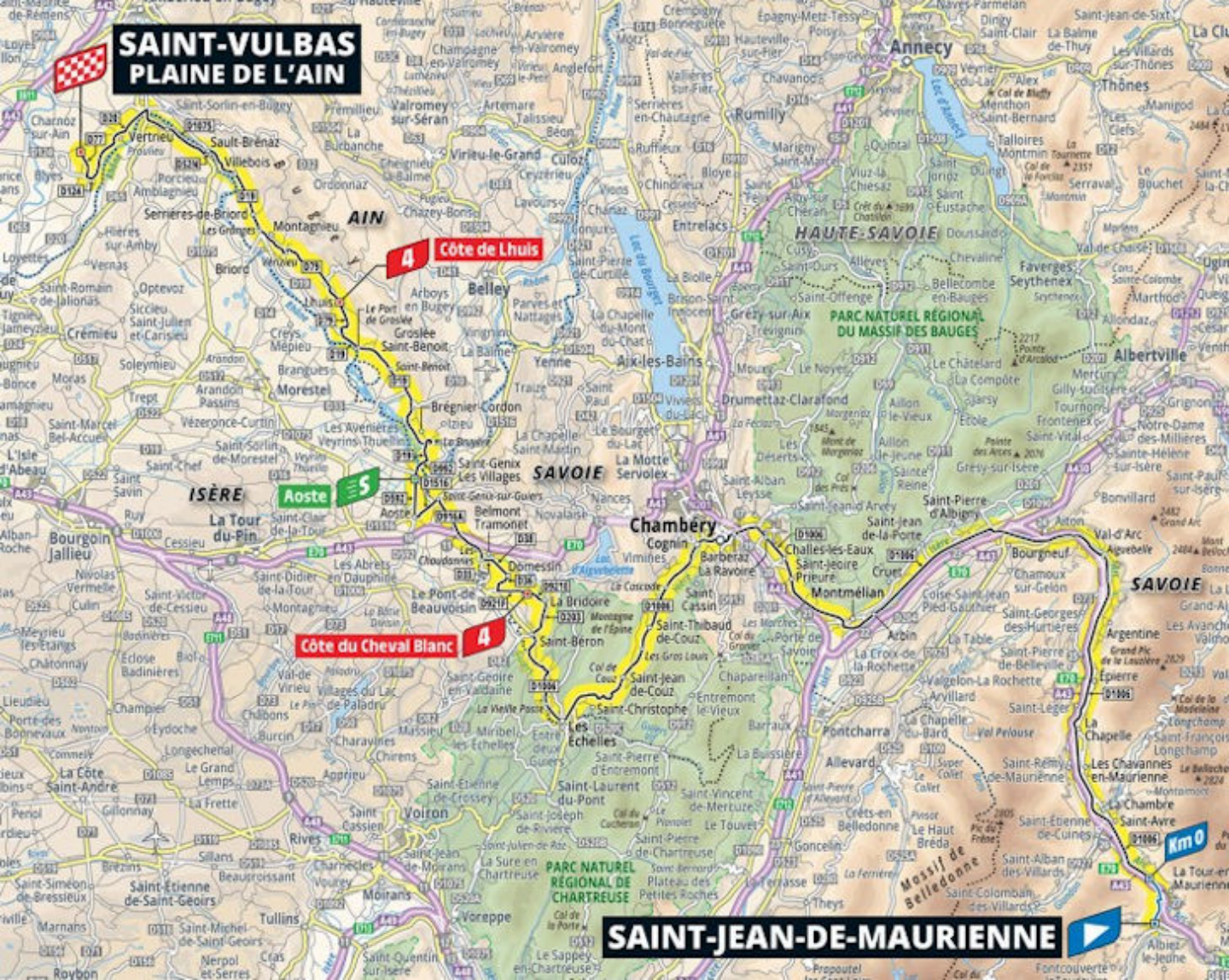
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06:47:46 am



Katie Lane Dijon?Â Isn't that where those mustard orchards are?Â :-)-Â Lots of vineyards in the previous stages.Â I love the scenery and

07-03-2024
06:51:24 am

SAINT-VULBAS PLAINE DE L'AIN



SAINT-JEAN-DE-MAURIENNE

SAINT-JEAN-DE-MAURIENNE

499 m



SAINT-VULBAS

217 m



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177,4 km

architecture in Italy and France.



Katie Lane Up early to to kitten duty and get mama cat to her spay surgery. The person who wanted to adopt her (who is the person who brought her in pregnant, I think it was her owner and Honey was technically an owner-surrendered pet but the woman said she wanted Honey back and indicated as much, and has even been in contact with the Humane Society to check on her over the last few weeks) hasn't done the paperwork for her adoption yet, so I hope she didn't change her mind. I will be getting Honey back for the time being. She will be happier because she can be put back in with her kittens.

07-03-2024
06:55:10 am



Tim in KY Interestingly, although there are still mustard-making factories in Dijon, almost all of the world's mustard seed is grown in Canada.

07-03-2024
06:59:40 am



Tim in KY Time for my heat-abbreviated walk.

07-03-2024
07:00:06 am



Rob I've just had a sausage sandwich for lunch with mustard. English mustard, so strong it made my eyes water.

07-03-2024
07:02:22 am



Tim in KY Rolling rest day so far.

07-03-2024
07:33:30 am



bikerabe finally 2 out front

07-03-2024
07:44:10 am



Tim in KY Faux break. They're still barely turning the pedals.

07-03-2024
07:46:30 am



bikerabe true

07-03-2024
07:47:05 am



Tim in KY While the ambling continues I'm going to put the wash in the dryer and head to the farmer's market.

07-03-2024
07:59:39 am



Mikey Morning all

07-03-2024
08:13:19 am



Tim in KY Back from farmers market to find a sacrificial break finally.

07-03-2024
08:38:49 am



Katie S good morning, all. Any tasty treats from the farmers market?

07-03-2024
08:40:02 am



Tim in KY Four tomatoes and a cucumber.

07-03-2024
08:43:12 am



bikerabe 2 French Groupama and Total Energy 4,5 min. ahead

07-03-2024
08:45:58 am



Tim in KY 45% chance of rain at the finish.

07-03-2024
08:51:51 am



Katie S We watched the last 25 km of the race last night, and I hadn't recalled how very late in the climb Pog had attacked. Wonder if his tactic was to put The Fear into Vingegaard on a fast descent and specifically gain time there. He did have the several seconds at the summit, but those can often be erased in a descent. I'm sure this is not a unique idea from my little bear brain, but it seemed particularly evident in watching the replay.

07-03-2024
09:08:12 am



Tim in KY Yeah, Pog got most of his time on the descent. I don't know if that was because Vin got the fear or if Pog is just a better descender.

07-03-2024
09:17:19 am



bikerabe comin to the start of an unrecognized climb by ASO

07-03-2024
09:18:31 am



bikerabe gap at 3.5 min.

07-03-2024
09:19:25 am



Tim in KY Phil and Roll say it's raining at the finish. Not showing on the radar.

07-03-2024
09:27:06 am



Tim in KY The average speed so far has been 38.4 kph. The slowest imaginable average speed is 43 kph.

07-03-2024
09:38:09 am



Tim in KY 30 km to the sprint.

07-03-2024
09:51:02 am



Katie S Big day today hereabouts. We've had my stepbrother's daughter, who is 16, here from Arizona since Saturday. I am not adept at keeping a teenager entertained, but we've had a pretty good time. Today I'm taking her and the 10-year-old niece to see a matinee performance of Mrs. Doubtfire The Musical, up in San Francisco. No idea if it's any good, but in March when this visit was proposed, I scrambled for Things To Do With A Young Visitor.

07-03-2024
09:54:23 am



Tim in KY Good luck with that Katie.

07-03-2024
09:56:55 am



Katie S heh

07-03-2024
09:57:13 am



Tim in KY Still way slower than the slowest...

07-03-2024
09:57:20 am



Tim in KY Raining on the peloton.

07-03-2024
10:03:04 am



Tim in KY Not raining on the break.

07-03-2024
10:04:24 am



Tim in KY Start of a tiny Cat 4.

07-03-2024
10:05:08 am



Katie S just about 2KU, depending on your provider

07-03-2024
10:15:26 am



Tim in KY 10 km to the sprint.

07-03-2024
10:18:21 am



Tim in KY The DocMobile has a big decal across the trunk lid that says SKODA. but the car is a Volkswagen.

07-03-2024
10:23:42 am



Katie S Road furniture collision

07-03-2024
10:24:34 am



Katie S Pogo just barely got around it

07-03-2024
10:26:09 am



Katie S the road furniture itself

07-03-2024
10:26:14 am



Tim in KY Pog almost went down.

07-03-2024
10:26:22 am



Katie S They may need to make those day-glo signs a bit taller

07-03-2024
10:27:24 am



Tim in KY There was a hay bale behind the sign.

07-03-2024
10:28:08 am



Tim in KY Drizzling at the sprint line.

07-03-2024
10:31:31 am



bikerabe only about uno minuto gap

07-03-2024
10:33:59 am



Tim in KY Peloton will slow after the sprint. Too soon to catch.

07-03-2024
10:34:59 am



mmcally Bonjour a tous.

07-03-2024
10:35:25 am



Katie S Bonjour!

07-03-2024
10:35:39 am



Katie S Mads gets the sprint points

07-03-2024
10:35:55 am



mmcally Mads and Biniam are even at 94 points. Finale will be interesting, especially with some rain.

07-03-2024
10:37:02 am



Tim in KY Girmay gets the virtual green jersey but it will come down to points at the finish between him and Mads.

07-03-2024
10:37:20 am



Tim in KY Now real rain.

07-03-2024
10:47:39 am



Tim in KY Seems too early to catch.

07-03-2024
10:52:27 am



Tim in KY Caught.

07-03-2024
10:57:55 am



Katie S buh-bye

07-03-2024
10:58:08 am



Mikey Hi again

07-03-2024
10:59:31 am



Tim in KY There are no KOM points tomorrow or Friday. So Abrahamsen will be in dots at least through Saturday.

07-03-2024
11:02:30 am



Tim in KY Turns out there are only 7 KOM points on Saturday so it seems likely that he'll keep it through Sunday.

07-03-2024
11:07:56 am



Tim in KY They are 8 minutes slower than the slowest..

07-03-2024
11:10:54 am



Katie S another furniture crash.

07-03-2024
11:11:08 am



Katie S One rider down, but h's back up and riding. Laporte

07-03-2024
11:11:34 am



Katie S Jumbo Lisabike

07-03-2024
11:11:48 am



Tim in KY That was more a touch of wheels in front of the furniture. LaPort.

07-03-2024
11:12:09 am



Mikey Cavs day or not

07-03-2024
11:21:11 am



Tim in KY Every day is a not for Cav.

07-03-2024
11:21:37 am



Katie S i hope he wins. Partly for him, and partly so we can stop talking about it.

07-03-2024
11:22:03 am



Katie S and by "we," I mean the commentators

07-03-2024
11:22:14 am



Tim in KY If he manages to win, will he abandon?

07-03-2024
11:22:55 am



Mikey I'm tired of it too. I'm not feeling it

07-03-2024
11:22:57 am



Mikey I keep hearing he's in it until the end out of respect but no way he stays in

07-03-2024
11:23:58 am



Tim in KY If he gets 35 there's no point in suffering through the mountains anymore.

07-03-2024
11:25:08 am



Rob Sponsors might feel differently about that.

07-03-2024
11:26:15 am



Mikey There is what five or six legitimate chances left?

07-03-2024
11:26:21 am



Tim in KY Five I think.

07-03-2024
11:26:48 am



bikerabe tomorrow another sprint stage

07-03-2024
11:28:32 am



Tim in KY Over the Rhone. Again.

07-03-2024
11:28:49 am



Tim in KY 10 km banner.

07-03-2024
11:29:26 am



Mikey We should know in less than ten minutes

07-03-2024
11:30:16 am



Tim in KY Who is EF at the front for?

07-03-2024
11:31:25 am



Katie S Quinn?

07-03-2024
11:33:01 am



Tim in KY I don't think so.

07-03-2024
11:33:57 am



Tim in KY Astana got all split up.

07-03-2024
11:34:19 am



Katie S i can't find a list of riders and their "specialities" as Phil says

07-03-2024
11:34:28 am



Tim in KY <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1720021250-stage-5-route-finale.jpg>

07-03-2024
11:35:51 am



mmcally Well, well, well

07-03-2024
11:39:38 am



Katie S Well

07-03-2024
11:39:42 am



Katie S It is finished

07-03-2024
11:39:53 am



Tim in KY He shoulder bumped several people.

07-03-2024
11:39:53 am



bikerabe Cav does it!

07-03-2024
11:39:55 am



Mikey Well

07-03-2024
11:40:04 am



Katie S i saw that but he didn't leave his line - he was riding pretty much on that straight paint line

07-03-2024
11:40:18 am



Mikey F bomb

07-03-2024
11:40:31 am



Tim in KY I'm waiting for the jury.

07-03-2024
11:40:34 am



BusterSci Juries love relegating Cav.

07-03-2024
11:40:51 am



Mikey That would be something

07-03-2024
11:40:55 am



Katie S He's getting love from a lot of guys in different colors

07-03-2024
11:41:04 am



mmcally If the jury did that, the entire peloton might revolt.

07-03-2024
11:41:40 am



Katie S i'm thinkin so, yeah

07-03-2024
11:41:50 am



Tim in KY There was a crash behind.

07-03-2024
11:42:22 am



BusterSci How many guys and teams did Vino pay off?

07-03-2024
11:42:35 am



BusterSci Man, the whole peloton is thrilled

07-03-2024
11:42:57 am



Katie S yeah, i'm gonna just go all verklempt and enjoy it. more fun that way.

07-03-2024
11:43:11 am



bikerabe Cav/s legs did it

07-03-2024
11:43:19 am



Mikey Really buster? Astana? No way

07-03-2024
11:43:25 am



mmcally The appreciation from the other riders is awesome.

07-03-2024
11:43:53 am



Tim in KY Looks like Mads hit the barrier.

07-03-2024
11:44:10 am



Katie S Bummer for that - he's on my team

07-03-2024
11:46:28 am



Tim in KY Girmay gets Green.

07-03-2024
11:49:42 am



Mikey Gotta fly. Ba

07-03-2024
11:50:36 am



Tim in KY Another sprint tomorrow.

07-03-2024
11:52:21 am



bikerabe great for Girmay

07-03-2024
11:52:52 am



Katie S see you all tomorrow.

07-03-2024
11:53:07 am