



THE 2027 HERO UCI CROSS-COUNTRY MARATHON WORLD CUP CALENDAR HAS BEEN SET

The Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) has confirmed five races across Italy, Andorra, Germany, and Spain for the HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup's third season. A total of 440km and 16,100 m of elevation gain on a circuit which continues to be the world benchmark of mountain bike marathons.

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While the 2026 season is still celebrating its winners, the HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup is already thinking about the future and can share its **race calendar for the 2027 season.**

After the first two editions established the format, the international mountain bike marathon circuit will return in 2027 with five rounds for its third edition. It will welcome professional athletes and amateur cyclists alike, who will face some of Europe's most iconic and demanding trails. The new calendar, confirmed by the UCI Management Committee, will

visit four countries and some of the mountain bike format's most iconic and emblematic territories.

Let the games begin! 2027, however, will start with a twist: the UCI World Cup's first race and location will be brand-new, and take participants to the shores of Lake Garda on Saturday, **1 May, in Riva del Garda (Italy)** for the **Bike Marathon Garda Trentino**. The event is set to take place against the backdrop of the historic exhibition FSA Bike Festival Riva del Garda. The international circuit will then continue on **30 May in Andorra and the Naturland Andorra** and the Pyrenees, for the tried-and-tested race at 2,000m altitude. On **12 June**, cyclists will battle it out at the **HERO Südtirol Dolomites** in Selva Val Gardena (Italy), a race which embodies the circuit and the mid-way point of the UCI World Cup.

The season will gain momentum with the **Black Forest ULTRA Bike Marathon** planned for **25 July** in Kirchzarten (Germany), in the heart of the Black Forest, to then end on **19 September** in Girona (Spain) at **La Tramun Sea Otter Europe**. The final race will also celebrate and crown the 2027 HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup's overall winners.

The 2027 calendar will boast a total of **440 race kilometres and 16,100 hm**: these numbers speak to the technical level and breathtaking nature of a circuit which is becoming more and more appreciated by marathon specialists and long-distance aficionados.

UCI President David Lappartient said: *"In its first two seasons, the HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup has become firmly established, creating season-long international competition for specialists of this demanding mountain bike format. We continue to develop the series, and I am delighted that in 2027 we will welcome the Bike Marathon Garda Trentino to its calendar for the first time. Mountain bike marathon racing is extraordinarily popular among the world's Elite and amateur athletes, and next year they will again share the stage at each round of the HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup."*

After the runaway success of the first two seasons, the 2027 HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup continues growing its international profile. It is establishing itself as a circuit where Elite and Master athletes, as well as amateur cyclists, can face off on the same race tracks, contributing to the global spread of mountain bike marathons. A challenge which will cross mountains, forests, and iconic landscapes, merging racing, stunning locations, and a passion for off-road cycling in one, big, international circuit.

Gerhard Vanzi, responsible for organising the HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup, says: *"The HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup's first two seasons proved it was a robust and credible project, enhancing the marathon format via outstanding events and stunning locations with an extraordinary sports pedigree. The number of international participants, visibility, and high quality of the organisation confirm the value of the joint journey we set out on with the UCI and the Local Organising Committees. The 2027 calendar is the result of intense planning and coordination work aiming to guarantee continuity, a varied yet well-balanced technical challenge, and growth opportunities for the entire movement."*

The 2027 HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup calendar

- **1 May** - Bike Marathon Garda Trentino | Riva del Garda (ITA)
- **30 May** - Naturland Andorra | Andorra (AND)
- **12 June** - HERO Südtirol Dolomites | Selva Val Gardena (ITA)
- **25 July** - Black Forest ULTRA Bike Marathon | Kirchzarten (GER)
- **19 September** - La Tramun Sea Otter Europe | Girona-Costa Brava (ESP)

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