

 **Rocket City Gal** Good morning and welcome to stage 19 of the Giro d' Italia. 05-25-2023  
-- the queen stage of this year's race.Â Today's mountainous stage is the most 05:12:23 pm  
difficult of this Giro, and it of course has a 5 star rating.Â It is 183 km in length with 5400  
meters of altitude gain at high elevations.Â There are 5 categorized climbs -- The category 2  
Passo Campolongo, the category 1 Passo Valparola, the category 1 Passo Giau, the  
category 2 Passo Tre Croci, and a summit finish atop the category 1 Tre Cimi di Lavaredo.


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 **Rocket City Gal** Here is the Giro site's blurb for today's race: 05-25-2023  
05:13:20 pm


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 **Rocket City Gal** A colossal stage across the Dolomites, featuring five 05-25-2023  
consecutive climbs linked with no pause for breath. After travelling up the Val 05:14:30 pm  
Cordevole (through Belluno, Agordo and Alleghe), the route climbs the Campolongo,  
Valparola, Giau and Tre Croci passes, before taking on the closing climb to Rifugio Auronzo.  
The roads are in excellent condition and quite wide, with some well lit tunnels in the first part.  
The climbs feature many hairpins, and the descents are fast and technical, on average. Final  
kilometres The final ascent is really challenging. The road rises with maximum 18% gradients  
over the first 1.5 km, becomes a false flat at Lago di Antorno and then descends quickly up to  
the 4 km marker (the roadway narrows at the end of the descent, as the route passes the toll  
gate). The pitch hovers around 12% in the last 4 km, topping out at 18% in the closing part.  
The finish line sits on a 400 m long and 7 m wide asphalt straight, with a 12.5% gradient.


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 **Rocket City Gal** The opening 25 km or so are relatively flat and then the 05-25-2023  
route goes up, up, uphill.Â For a very, very long ways.Â There are a couple of 05:23:19 pm  
tunnels before the intermediate sprint in Caprile (km 64.4) with another tunnel shortly after the  
sprint. The riders continue to go uphill after the sprint; there's a lot of uphill, but the actual  
ascent of the Campolongo will be the final 3.95 km, with average grade of 7% and max grade  
of 11%, with the summit of the category 2 climb coming 87.4 km into the race.

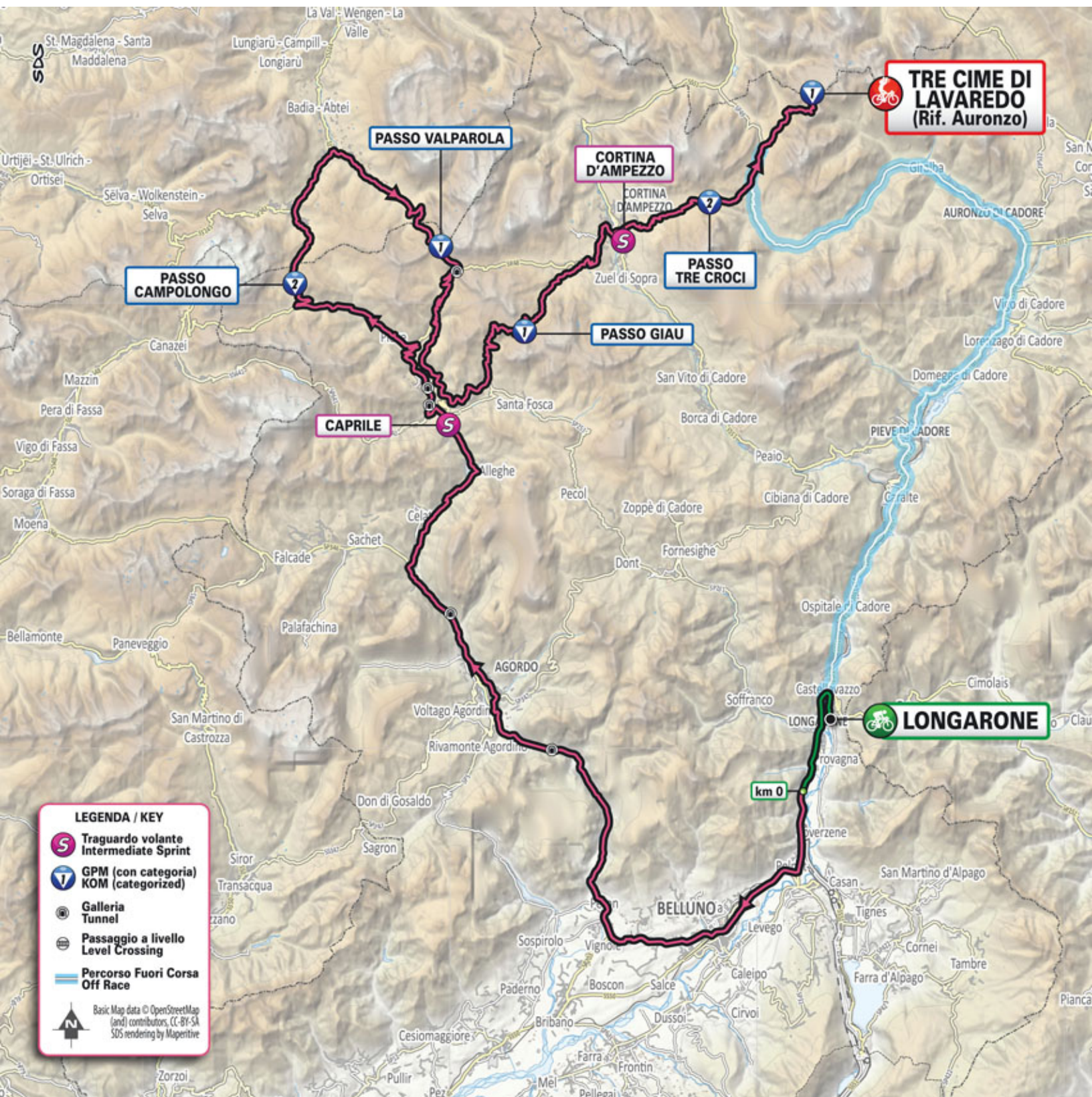
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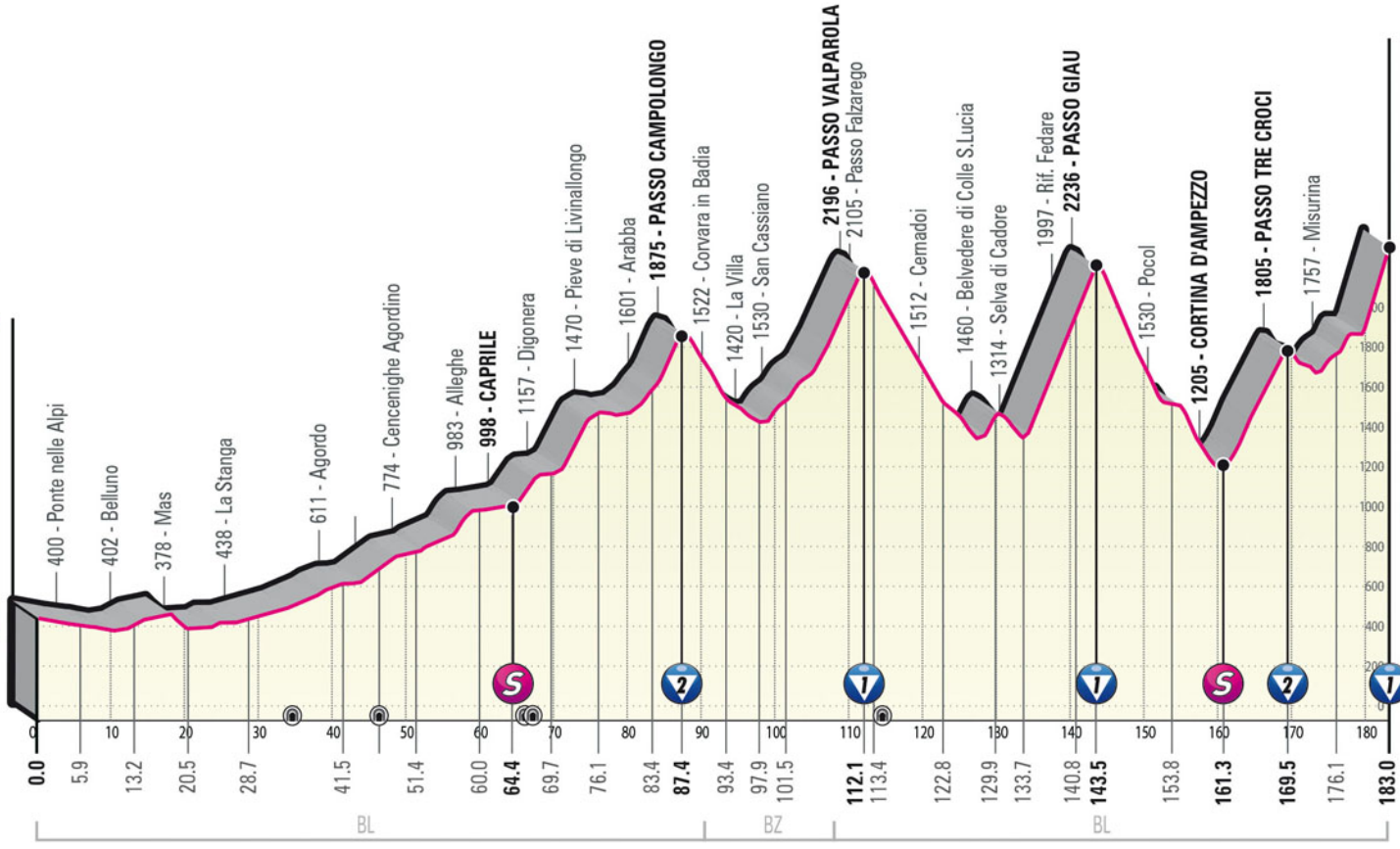
 **Rocket City Gal** After a descent the riders will immediately begin climbing the 05-25-2023  
Category 1 Valparola, 14.6 km long with average grade of 5.6% / max grade 05:31:02 pm







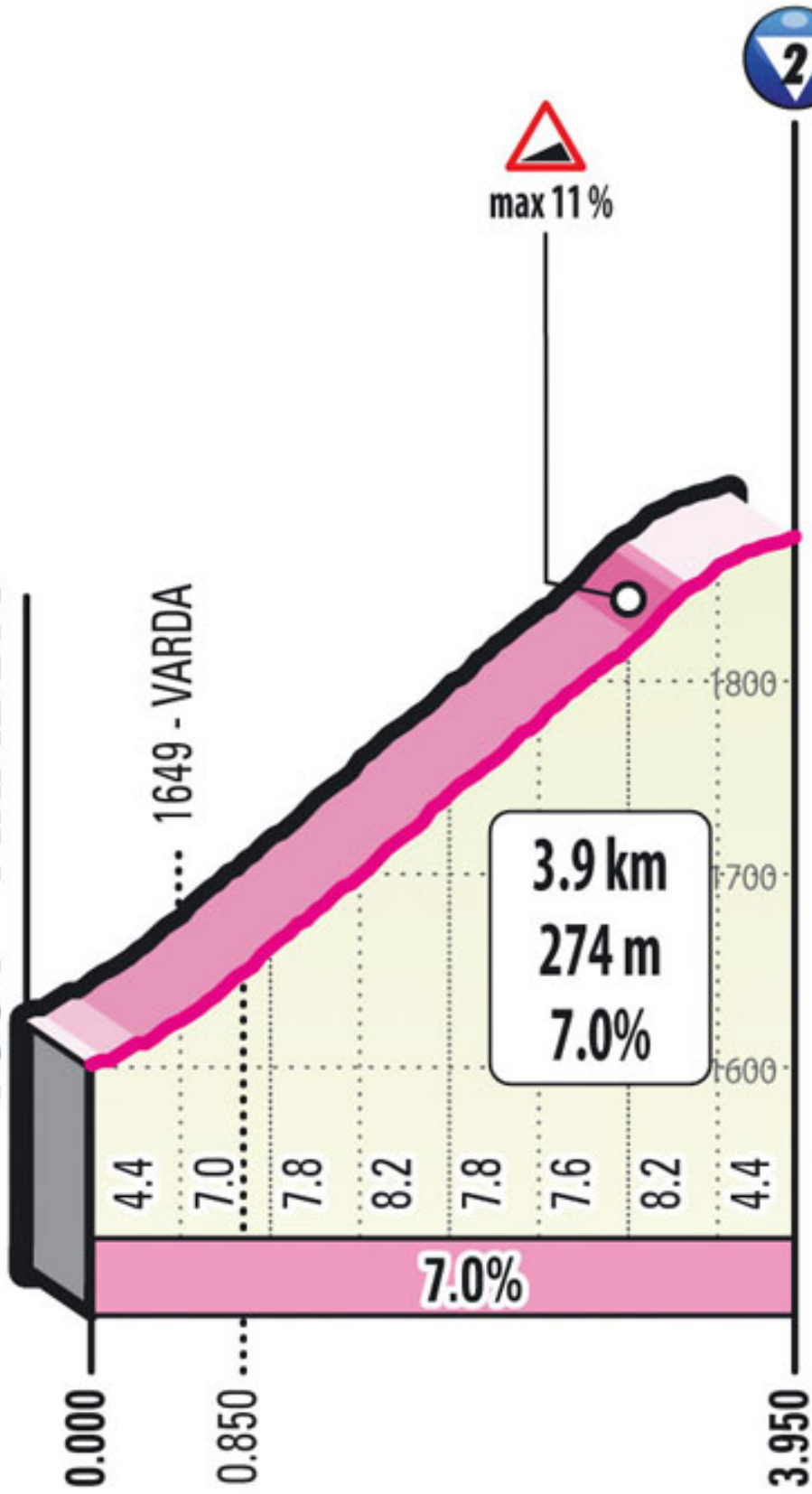
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**2304 - TRE CIME DI LAVAREDO**  
(Rif. Auronzo)

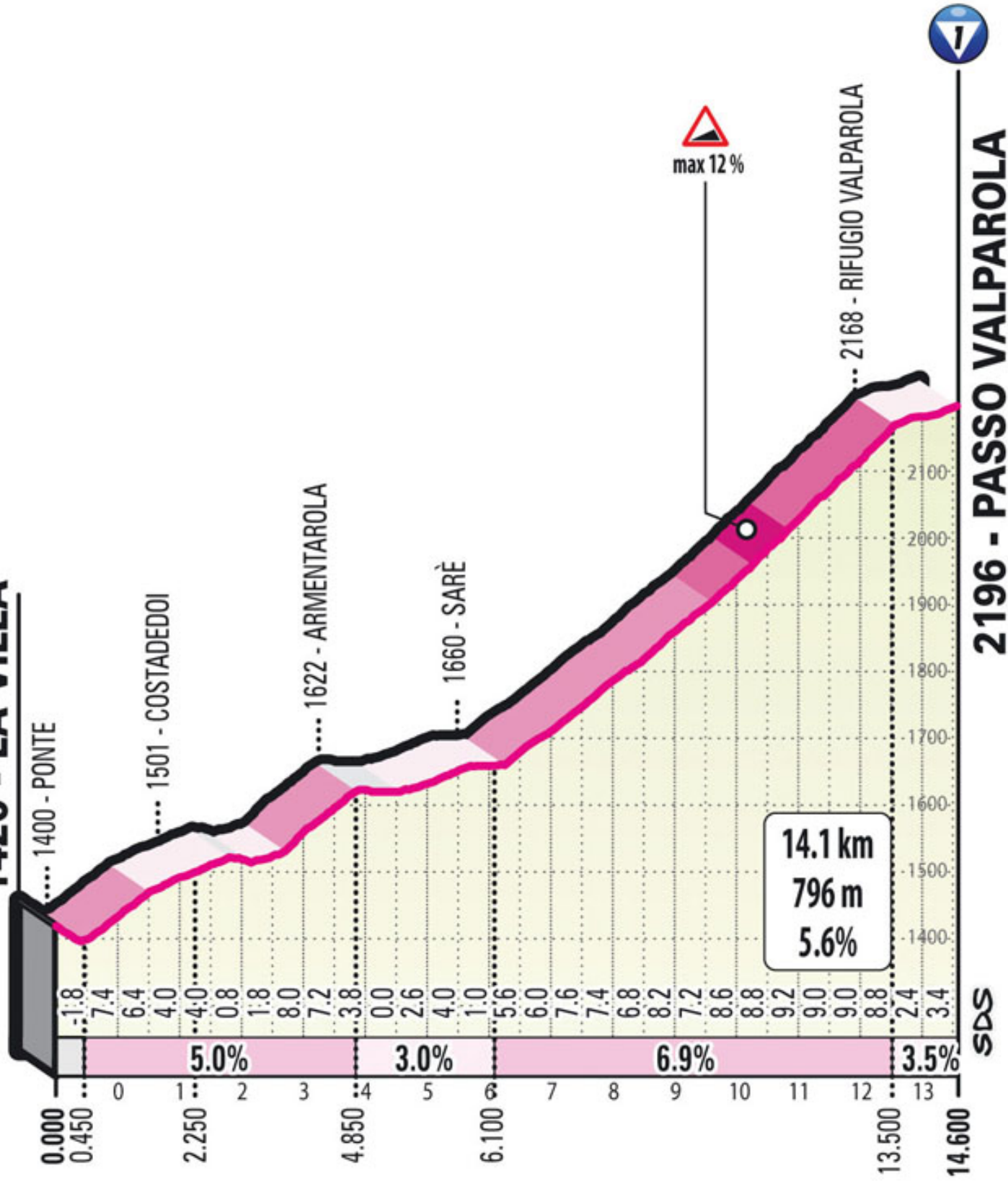


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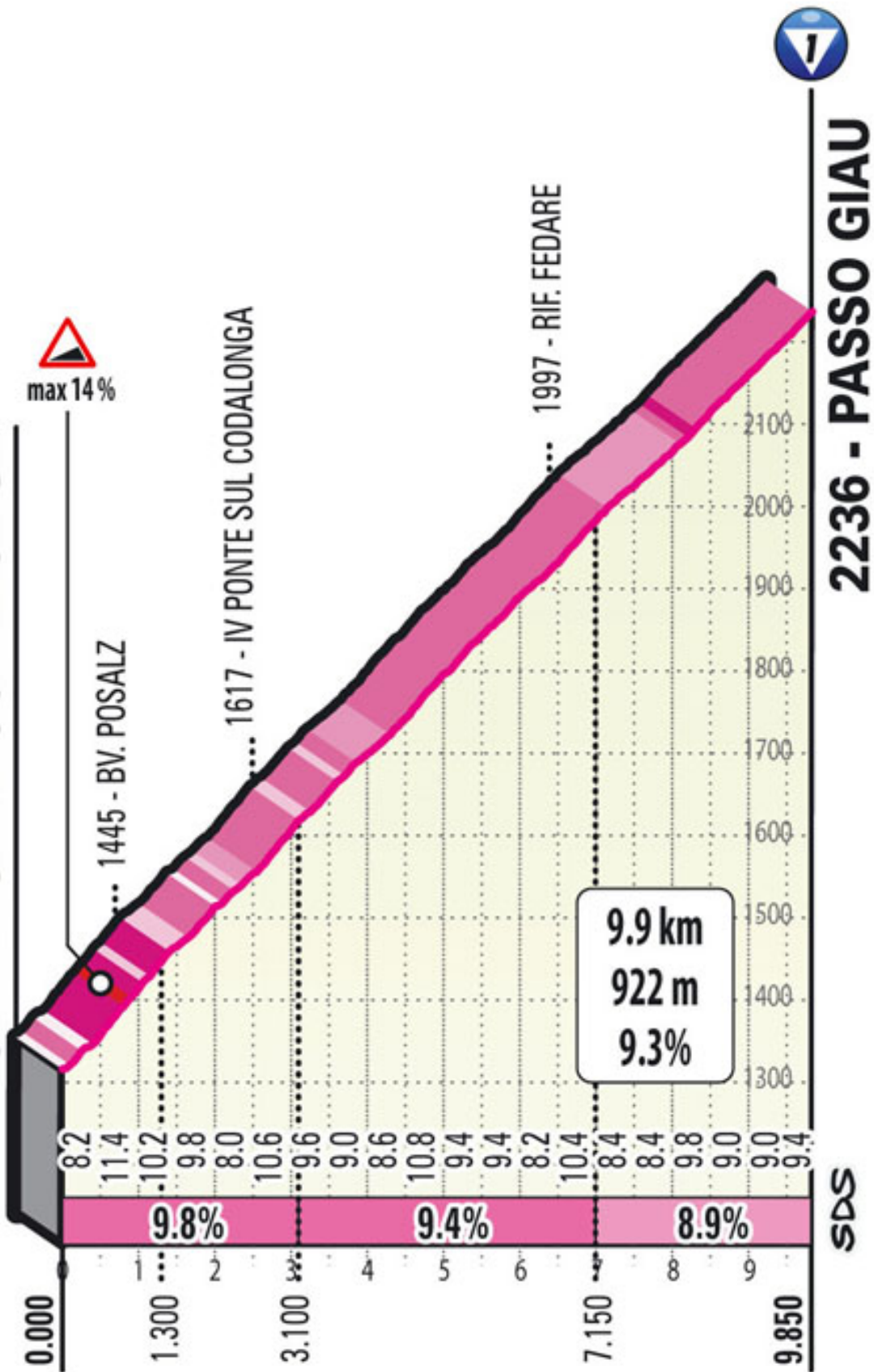


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**PASSO GIAU**

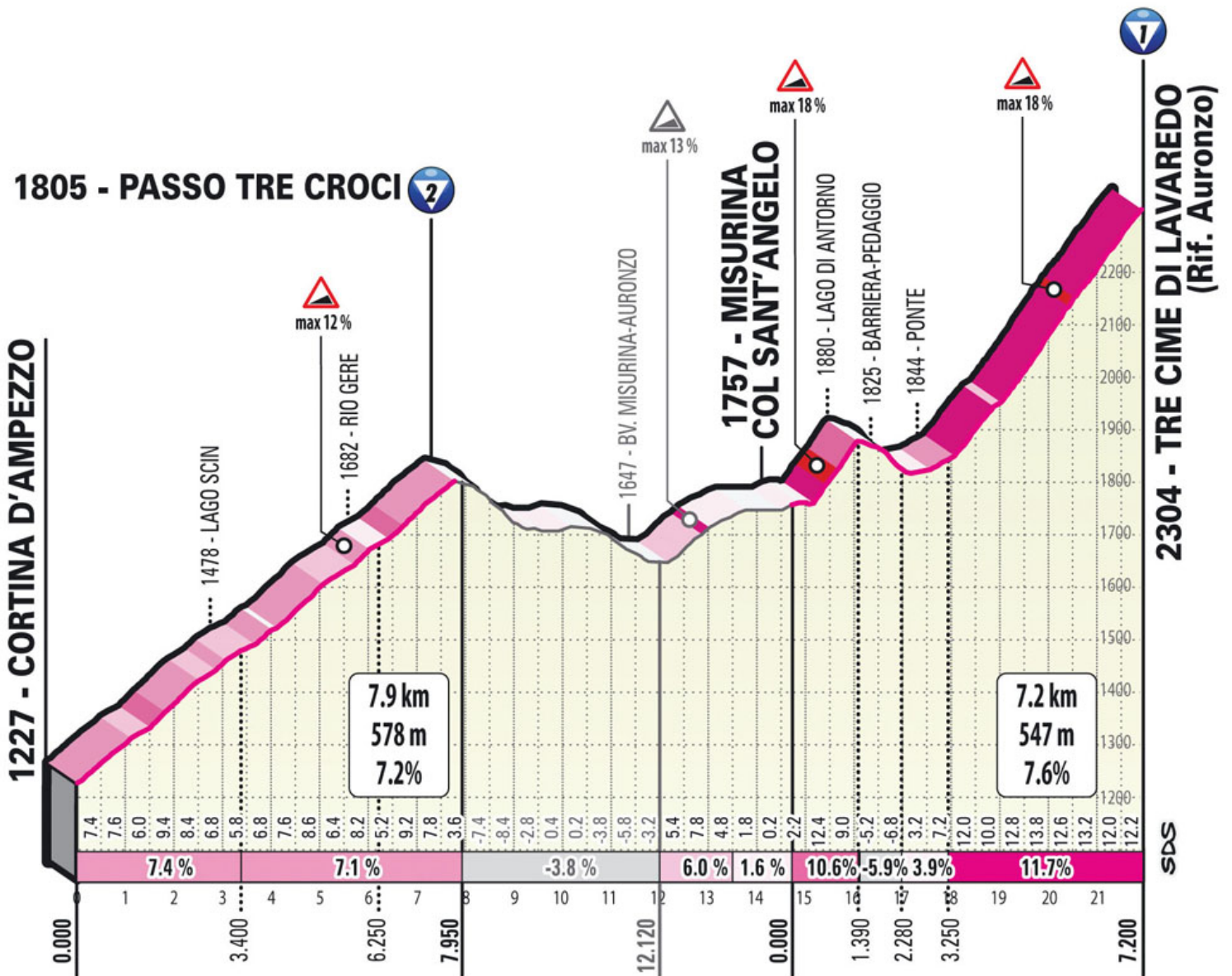
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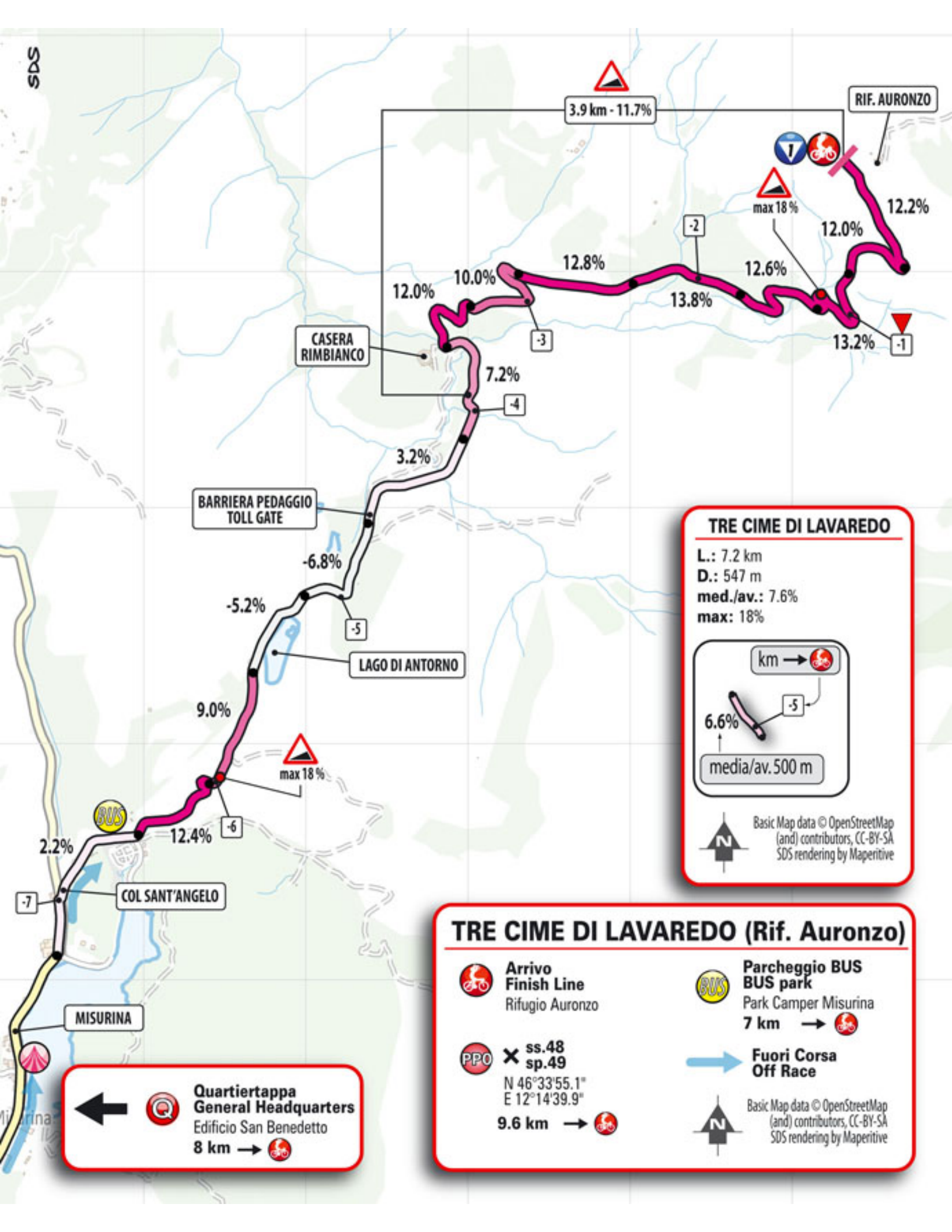
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**TRE CIME DI LAVAREDO**

L.: 7.2 km  
 D.: 547 m  
 med./av.: 7.6%  
 max: 18%

km →

6.6% -5

media/av. 500 m

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**TRE CIME DI LAVAREDO (Rif. Auronzo)**

**Arrivo Finish Line**  
 Rifugio Auronzo

**Parcheggio BUS BUS park**  
 Park Camper Misurina  
 7 km →

**ss.48 sp.49**  
 N 46°33'55.1"  
 E 12°14'39.9"  
 9.6 km →


**Fuori Corsa Off Race**

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**Quartiertappa General Headquarters**  
 Edificio San Benedetto  
 8 km →

12%, with its summit 112.1 km into the race.


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 **Rocket City Gal** A couple of km later, on the descent there is a tunnel. It looks like the descent will be fairly fast and technical. Near the bottom there is a short unclassified climb and descent, then riders will be climbing the Giau. The Giau is 9.9 km in length, with average gradient of 9.3% / maximum gradient of 14%; the summit of the Giau is 143.5 km into the race. 05-25-2023 05:34:06 pm


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 **Rocket City Gal** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1685050752-3%20Giau.jpg> 05-25-2023 05:34:13 pm


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 **Rocket City Gal** <https://rumbletalk-images-upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/1685050761-Giau%202.jpg> 05-25-2023 05:34:22 pm


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 **Rocket City Gal** After the Giau is a long and undoubtedly technical descent. The second sprint for bonus seconds is at the bottom in Ampezzo, at km 161.3. The riders don't get to catch their breath; they will immediately start ascending the category 2 Tre Croci climb (7.9 km, average grade 7.2%, max 12%). After the summit at 169.5 km, there is a short descent and then the wicked final climb up Tre Cimi to the Auronzo Refuge begins. 05-25-2023 05:39:16 pm


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 **Rocket City Gal** The final climb is 7.2 km with average grade 7.6% with several areas of 18% grade; the last 4 km is a fairly constant steep, steep climb which averages nearly 12%, finishing at 169.5 total km at an altitude of 1204 meters. 05-25-2023 05:43:15 pm

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 **Rocket City Gal** Start is at 11:35 CEST; the finish is imagined on either side of 17:13 CEST. 05-25-2023 05:43:55 pm

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**Rocket City Gal** The forecast calls for 67 F/ 20 C at the start, with winds SE at 6 mph and a 40% chance of rain. It looks like there is a high chance of rain and even thunderstorms throughout the stage (up to 70-75% chance of rain in the area throughout the afternoon). At the finish the predicted temperature is 50 F / 10 C (but I'm not sure if this is true for the summit or for lower elevations near it), with winds from the NE at 10 kph and around a 10% chance of rain.

05-25-2023  
05:48:13 pm



**Rocket City Gal** I don't know how the riders will be feeling, but I'm exhausted just going through the climbs on the written preview of the stage.

05-25-2023  
05:49:00 pm



**Tim in KY** Thanks RCG. We'll be getting to the airport early Friday. And I'll be able to watch some early action from there. But we'll be in the air for the finale.

05-25-2023  
05:50:06 pm



**BusterSci** Carthy DNS

05-26-2023  
05:39:49 am



**BusterSci** Official start

05-26-2023  
05:59:07 am



**Rob** The start time of 11:35 is that including the neutral or are they always late?

05-26-2023  
06:01:29 am



**BusterSci** PCS says official start was 11:50. No idea about 11:35 but 15m isn't too long for a neutral start

05-26-2023  
06:02:11 am



**BusterSci** The War Bass and Stojnic have created a great. Rex trying to bridge.

05-26-2023  
06:45:41 am



**BusterSci** gap. Don't know where "great" came from but autocorrect was involved somewhere, and not having coffee in the house created the material for it to work on

05-26-2023  
06:45:42 am



**BusterSci** 30s gap for the lead two. Rex caught

05-26-2023  
06:45:44 am



**BusterSci** they're still hanging out there, but only 24s

05-26-2023  
06:45:45 am



**BusterSci** Group of 6 trying to move across

05-26-2023  
06:45:47 am



**BusterSci** Nope. 17s for the two out front

05-26-2023  
06:45:49 am



**BusterSci** Gee and Baudin have joined the leaders

05-26-2023  
06:45:52 am



**BusterSci** This is stupid. Â When 40 guys try to make the break the GC teams have no choice but to shut it down.

05-26-2023  
06:47:23 am



**BusterSci** The peloton is essentially a handful of GC guys, a couple handfuls of attacking groups and poor bastards trying to hang on.

05-26-2023  
06:50:11 am



**BusterSci** Got an EF coming across

05-26-2023  
06:53:03 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Cort is now with the break

05-26-2023  
06:53:25 am



**Tim in KY** So, my VG team is down to four riders with no climbers.

05-26-2023  
06:53:28 am



**BusterSci** Gotta say, Carthy seems to be the least effective GC guy that Vaughters has focused on.

05-26-2023  
06:54:30 am



**Tim in KY** In the airport lounge having breakfast.

05-26-2023  
06:54:55 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Saw that you scored 18 points yesterday. still better than the pathological dyer

05-26-2023  
06:54:55 am



**Charlie in Tenn** How is your wife?

05-26-2023  
06:55:15 am



**Tim in KY** And 12 of those points were from Carthy.

05-26-2023  
06:55:38 am



**BusterSci** Now that others have joined, I need to go spray weeds and mow the lawn.

05-26-2023  
06:55:47 am



**Tim in KY** Mowing at 6am?

05-26-2023  
06:56:28 am





**Charlie in Tenn** Hope you use a quiet electric mower.

05-26-2023  
06:58:18 am



**BusterSci** Well, I'll spray, then let the the weeds suck it in for a half hour or so. Â So it'll be 7 at least. Â And I have an electric mower that is very quiet.

05-26-2023  
06:58:30 am



**BusterSci** Charlie, we've been hitting return at almost the same time a lot this Giro

05-26-2023  
06:58:53 am



**BusterSci** I fertilized before we left for the northland and things got really out of hand.

05-26-2023  
06:59:34 am



**Charlie in Tenn** That will teach you.

05-26-2023  
06:59:51 am



**BusterSci** My laundry is just a few minutes from finishing. Â I'll hang out until it's time to move it to the dryer.

05-26-2023  
07:00:35 am



**Charlie in Tenn** 9 at the front now. Ineos had to chase 30 trying to get away.

05-26-2023  
07:02:02 am



**Charlie in Tenn** My laundry is going in now.

05-26-2023  
07:02:21 am



**BusterSci** WeedStop mixed. Â Batteries loaded in sprayer. Â Mower battery charging. Â I'm ready.

05-26-2023  
07:05:28 am



**BusterSci** Now Ripley decided she wanted to go out. Â OK, she'll have to stay in for an hour or so after spraying, so...

05-26-2023  
07:12:02 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I had to do lunches, re-wake up a kid, go up and down the stairs twice, and trip over the dog. I am now ready to start the laundry.

05-26-2023  
07:12:32 am



**Rocket City Gal** Here for a few minutes before we head out for the weekend.

05-26-2023  
07:13:58 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Where are you headed?

05-26-2023  
07:15:48 am




**Rocket City Gal** <https://www.facebook.com/reel/707229364736559?fs=e&s=2dNYbT> Spot on, and hilarious. Â Weâ€™ll be way up in turn 2 Sunday. Â Itâ€™s whatcha do when you married an Indy guy.


05-26-2023  
07:16:16 am

 **Rocket City Gal** Monday will be a family gathering. We'll be helping my MIL with some gardening and with putting flowers on family graves also. 05-26-2023 07:18:17 am


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 **Charlie in Tenn** Awesome video. Maybe your husband could drop you off at my house and take me instead. 05-26-2023 07:18:56 am


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 **Charlie in Tenn** Stojnic went for intermediate sprint points and won. Gee went for Ciclomino pts and got second. Weird where to 2 different sprint competitions are at the same time. 05-26-2023 07:27:09 am

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 **Charlie in Tenn** Healy has thrown a spanner into the works. He is trying to attack to get into the break and get mt pts, which causes Pinot to chase because he is in the jersey and 7th overall, which causes Ineos to chase. 05-26-2023 07:36:26 am


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 **Charlie in Tenn** Big split in the peloton. Looks like all the GC teams are there. 05-26-2023 07:38:35 am


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 **Tim in KY** Healy being a bit silly. 05-26-2023 07:49:49 am


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 **BusterSci** I suspect there's a bit of Vaughters vs Pinot stuff happening here. 05-26-2023 07:51:09 am


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 **BusterSci** Got the front sprayed but the dog won't come in from the back yard. She knows when I want her in the house and refuses to come in unless I track her down myself and carry her in. It's not that urgent. 05-26-2023 07:52:15 am


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 **Tim in KY** Need to check out now. Back tomorrow. 05-26-2023 07:58:27 am


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 **Rocket City Gal** We're headed out in 14 min or so. I may be the first driver. 05-26-2023 08:27:46 am


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 **Charlie in Tenn** Back from school drop off. Seems I missed nothing. 05-26-2023 08:32:15 am

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 **Katie S** Good morning, everyone. I need to read up through your commentary. Katli L, you've been doing a great job of standing in for Tim. Thank you! 05-26-2023 08:37:06 am

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 **Katie S** I love this: "a colossal stage across the Dolomites" 05-26-2023 08:37:42 am

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**BusterSci** If Bais can take top points in either Cat 1 or the final climb he's likely overtaking Pinot.

05-26-2023  
08:43:58 am



**BusterSci** Spraying finally done. Â Fold some laundry and then Frau is making strawberry pancakes. Â Then I'll mow. Â So after 8.

05-26-2023  
08:46:48 am



**Katie S** those guys are riding so slowly, it must be steep, but the wide road and the camera angle make it look not so steep.

05-26-2023  
08:49:35 am



**Trish in MA** Good morning. Â Still have yucky cold, so at home. Â Casting GCN+ to the TV, so I can watch on a big screen.

05-26-2023  
08:55:42 am



**Katie S** ugh, Trish.

05-26-2023  
08:59:46 am



**Katie S** Snow! Rocks! Sky!

05-26-2023  
09:01:08 am



**Katie S** Tre Sassi does not translate to a French "Tres Sassy!"

05-26-2023  
09:05:00 am



**BusterSci** It does in this Pub

05-26-2023  
09:05:48 am



**Trish in MA** We went to the Dolomites for a day last year on a van tour. Really beautiful. Glad I was in a van and not a bike

05-26-2023  
09:06:31 am



**BusterSci** If I can cheer for Parrot-Painter you can translate anything to anything else vaguely close

05-26-2023  
09:07:13 am



**John** Good afternoon everyone!

05-26-2023  
09:10:26 am



**BusterSci** Hi John

05-26-2023  
09:11:41 am



**John** My wife is doing her part to support the Giro by having Prosecco and tiramisu in Milan today

05-26-2023  
09:13:20 am



**Katie S** very nice!

05-26-2023  
09:13:35 am



**BusterSci** JEALOUS!

05-26-2023  
09:14:19 am



**Trish in MA** Ugh. My boss wants me to work. Luckily the meeting is at 9:30 so I won't miss the end of the race

05-26-2023  
09:14:25 am



**John** Me too, Buster

05-26-2023  
09:14:32 am



**BusterSci** Just realized I was looking at the wrong Bais.

05-26-2023  
09:14:50 am



**John** I just flew back from Jakarta and am doing my part by eating pizza

05-26-2023  
09:14:54 am



**BusterSci** The other guy should change his name to "Cringe"

05-26-2023  
09:15:03 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Buster, that is not the right Bias brother in the break.

05-26-2023  
09:15:29 am



**Katie S** well done, John.

05-26-2023  
09:16:10 am



**BusterSci** Charlie, did you write that just to keep up our crosstalk?

05-26-2023  
09:17:16 am



**Charlie in Tenn** No, I had not scrolled down that far. I was double checking.

05-26-2023  
09:18:03 am



**BusterSci** Gotchya

05-26-2023  
09:18:28 am



**Charlie in Tenn** However I have folded one load of laundry.

05-26-2023  
09:18:43 am



**BusterSci** So Buitrago is the danger man in the break, but he doesn't threaten anyone in the top 10

05-26-2023  
09:18:57 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I think he still threatens 10th.

05-26-2023  
09:21:52 am





**BusterSci** I've got JoWow on my team, and I've generally got a bias against cheering for anglophone GC riders, but I'm kinda pulling for Thomas now.

05-26-2023  
09:21:52 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I have Rog and am kinda pulling for Thomas, as well.

05-26-2023  
09:22:32 am



**John** I don't know who I have and am rooting for him too

05-26-2023  
09:23:26 am



**BusterSci** Charlie, yes, but knowing how that gap is going to drop on the last two climbs the current 8 minute gap doesn't really mean 8 minutes. Even if they don't pull it all the way back it's still going to be 3ish at best.

05-26-2023  
09:23:34 am



**BusterSci** Although De Plus is going to have to turn himself into De Minus to help Thomas, so maybe he does drop off.

05-26-2023  
09:24:29 am



**Charlie in Tenn** John looks like you have Rog, Pinot and Cort. You seem pretty solid.

05-26-2023  
09:28:03 am



**John** Thanks Charlie. I'll root for GT anyway :)

05-26-2023  
09:28:36 am



**Katie S** Wow, that is gorgeous. Where is Julie Andrews?

05-26-2023  
09:29:47 am



**Tim in KY** Free wifi on the plane!

05-26-2023  
09:30:58 am



**BusterSci** When it works, that's awesome

05-26-2023  
09:31:24 am



**Katie S** Starting the Passo Ow now

05-26-2023  
09:32:13 am



**BusterSci** I'm predicting Ranum, DStan, John for podium. I have an outside chance of making the podium if JoWow takes it all.

05-26-2023  
09:32:18 am



**Tim in KY** I'm surprised that Cort has been able to stay on over these climbs.

05-26-2023  
09:33:18 am



**Katie S** Alberto doesn't look quite like Alien in that moto helmet and facial fur as he did in his days in the TT helmet

05-26-2023  
09:34:54 am



**Tim in KY** What happened to Blythe?

05-26-2023  
09:38:56 am



**BusterSci** Mowing time. Want to be back for finale

05-26-2023  
09:40:23 am



**Toulouse** Blythe: the way he was screaming and swearing around curves the other day probably means he got relegated to less scary duty.

05-26-2023  
09:40:58 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Ranum and Dstan look good but I don't think John (Rog, Pinot, Matthews!, Cort) can catch Susan (Rog, Kamna. Pinot, Cavandish, Kuss)

05-26-2023  
09:41:15 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I am 9th and expect to stay near there.

05-26-2023  
09:42:14 am



**Mikey** I'm challenging Tim for the LR and Overall Race Score: 3226 Overall Rank: 19099 of 19349 !

05-26-2023  
09:43:11 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Maybe the "gentleman's sausage" got him.

05-26-2023  
09:43:32 am



**John** I just turned my TV on and Kelley, etc., are talking about a car/driver being banned. Did a car hit a rider again?

05-26-2023  
09:43:33 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Something happened but I missed it.

05-26-2023  
09:43:57 am



**Katie S** Yes. I missed it too, but there's a guy with a lot of skin missing on his hip and elbow.

05-26-2023  
09:45:22 am



**Mikey** Just popping in so I can pop out. Norman and I are headed to the dog park. Hoping to get back by the end.

05-26-2023  
09:46:41 am



**Tim in KY** With Carthy gone, I'm a lock for LR.

05-26-2023  
09:48:21 am



**Katie S** It's a distinction, anyway. You're not just lost in the anonymous middle.

05-26-2023  
09:49:51 am



**Tim in KY** I have GCN+ open in a tiny window on my phone.

05-26-2023  
09:50:16 am



**Tim in KY** Or did.

05-26-2023  
09:51:16 am



**Katie S** ooops

05-26-2023  
09:51:47 am



**Katie S** I keep thinking I'm hearing the Count Vronsky is in the break

05-26-2023  
09:52:53 am



**Tim in KY** Kept locking up.

05-26-2023  
09:53:00 am



**SFinAus** Tim, I've found with my iPhone (and I think my last Android) that GCN would stop whenever there was an update here in the Pub. It was one or the other.Â

05-26-2023  
09:56:30 am



**SFinAus** Made no sense to me, and I find it hard to be certain about the causality.

05-26-2023  
09:57:24 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Don't give up Tim, you still have Gaviria for the final!

05-26-2023  
09:57:37 am



**Tim in KY** Thanks Charlie. Thatâ€™s very reassuring.

05-26-2023  
09:58:29 am



**Charlie in Tenn** He is my sprinter as well. Surely he is riding into shape?

05-26-2023  
09:59:51 am



**SFinAus** Did anyone hear why Cav's sprint didn't happen a couple of days ago?Â He seemed to drop back suddenly and was really hot with another rider after the stage.

05-26-2023  
10:02:21 am



**Charlie in Tenn** The green team came forward and got between him and his leadout, Sanchez. The green team did not seem to do much after they got in front of him.

05-26-2023  
10:06:01 am



**Tim in KY** He has crashed on every sprint!

05-26-2023  
10:06:56 am



**Tim in KY** Thatâ€™s about Gaviria, not Cav.

05-26-2023  
10:07:35 am





**SFinAus** Ah, thanks Charlie.Â It was a green guy he was giving grief to.

05-26-2023  
10:07:44 am



**Katie S** Such a gorgeous place to ride a bike.

05-26-2023  
10:08:35 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Rain may be coming. The roads are wet ahead somewhere.

05-26-2023  
10:10:19 am



**Katie S** OK, still gorgeous, but potentially treacherous

05-26-2023  
10:11:28 am



**SFinAus** Oh geez that's gorgeous.

05-26-2023  
10:15:07 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Gee got 40 kom pts. He is trying to catch Pinot.

05-26-2023  
10:15:34 am



**SFinAus** Kudos to the heli team for that.

05-26-2023  
10:15:45 am



**bikerabe** other news Charlotte Kool for DSM wins 1st stage ride London Classique

05-26-2023  
10:15:46 am



**Tim in KY** I donâ€™t think anyone named Kool would survive middle school in the US.

05-26-2023  
10:18:53 am



**Tim in KY** With a gap of only 6:46, the GC group has a chance of winning the stage.

05-26-2023  
10:22:27 am



**Trish in MA** Back from my meeting. Â Who makes people work when they are sick? Â We went through Cortina on our van ride through the Dolomites

05-26-2023  
10:23:59 am



**Trish in MA** This looks like the road we were on.

05-26-2023  
10:25:01 am



**Trish in MA** Had the most amazing hot chocolate in Cortna.

05-26-2023  
10:26:54 am



**BusterSci** One Ag2r CitroÃ«n team car excluded from the stage of the Giro following the collision with Carlos Verona reports RAI. Dilemma for the team as three riders in the breakaway but the rest of the team behind

05-26-2023  
10:27:06 am



**Trish in MA** in fact the break just passed the pastry shop.

05-26-2023  
10:29:36 am



**Tim in KY** Thereâ€™s always neutral support. He-he.

05-26-2023  
10:30:01 am



**Charlie in Tenn** This is where it rained about 25 min ago. seems dry now.

05-26-2023  
10:31:06 am



**Katie S** Will this become Passo de Tres Crotchetey?

05-26-2023  
10:31:17 am



**Tim in KY** I tried the video again but thereâ€™s really not enough bandwidth.

05-26-2023  
10:31:49 am



**BusterSci** Hey, did you guys see my copy paste post about the Ag2r team car hitting Verona? Â For some reason the Pub sometimes logs me out but still lets me post so that I can see it but nobody else.

05-26-2023  
10:34:45 am



**John** I saw it

05-26-2023  
10:35:04 am



**Tim in KY** Itâ€™s there.

05-26-2023  
10:35:16 am



**BusterSci** Thanks. Â I refreshed and it had logged me out but I didn't know if that was before or after I posted.

05-26-2023  
10:35:28 am



**John** I wonder how the collision happened, aside from lousy driving

05-26-2023  
10:35:33 am



**Katie S** Rog swaps out for a pizza pie on his rear wheel

05-26-2023  
10:35:34 am



**Katie S** i am not sure that I think allowing a rider to pace back on behind a team car after a voluntary bike change should be permitted at all.

05-26-2023  
10:36:35 am



**Tim in KY** Really Katie? A TT wheel?

05-26-2023  
10:36:47 am



**Katie S** no, a huge cassette on the back

05-26-2023  
10:37:00 am



**Katie S** with a 1-by

05-26-2023  
10:37:04 am



**BusterSci** Gee started the stage 161 points behind Pinot.

05-26-2023  
10:37:17 am



**BusterSci** He's picked up 86

05-26-2023  
10:37:23 am



**BusterSci** He needs 75 more

05-26-2023  
10:37:33 am



**Tim in KY** Steep hill coming.

05-26-2023  
10:37:38 am



**BusterSci** There are 68 max available today

05-26-2023  
10:37:49 am



**Katie S** the largest sprocket on the rear wheel looks to be the same size as the chainring.

05-26-2023  
10:38:22 am



**John** itâ€™s a 10-44 theyâ€™re saying

05-26-2023  
10:38:59 am



**Tim in KY** I remember enough math to know the answer.

05-26-2023  
10:39:06 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I think Gee is also trying for sprint points just in case Milan can't finish the race.

05-26-2023  
10:39:25 am



**SFinAus** Sunshiny rain.

05-26-2023  
10:41:25 am



**Katie S** pretty sunshower

05-26-2023  
10:41:28 am



**Trish in MA** Ugh. Rain. Kelly said he liked rain at the end of a climbing stage

05-26-2023  
10:42:04 am



**SFinAus** War Bass from "Tra-VERSE' " City, MI.Â :)

05-26-2023  
10:42:20 am





**Tim in KY** Landing. Time to go.

05-26-2023  
10:45:37 am



**SFinAus** Not that I every misplace emphasis on European city names.Â Â :(

05-26-2023  
10:45:40 am



**Charlie in Tenn** maybe some hail?

05-26-2023  
10:48:01 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Jay Vine dropping

05-26-2023  
10:48:49 am



**Katie S** was that guy running with is taxidermied dog?

05-26-2023  
10:50:20 am



**SFinAus** Whaaat.Â Mounted fox on an arm with a pink scarf?

05-26-2023  
10:50:25 am



**Trish in MA** They have had every kind of weather in This Giro. Except actual cats and dogs

05-26-2023  
10:50:45 am



**SFinAus** That's a first among all the things we've seen on the side of the roads.

05-26-2023  
10:50:56 am



**BusterSci** Cort! Â My goodness. Â What's he doing there?

05-26-2023  
10:55:08 am



**Katie S** just out for a bike ride, I think.

05-26-2023  
10:56:30 am



**Charlie in Tenn** umbo loses 2 riders and UAE loses 1.

05-26-2023  
10:56:46 am



**BusterSci** Gee was a track cyclist. Â Weird for a trackie to become a climber.

05-26-2023  
10:58:52 am



**Charlie in Tenn** They might catch back on on the downhill but not be of much help if they do.

05-26-2023  
10:59:05 am



**BusterSci** Even Wiggo had to go through his TT specialist phase for a number of years

05-26-2023  
10:59:09 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Bouman caught back on for Jumbo.

05-26-2023  
11:01:59 am



**Trish in MA** Iâ€™m not climbing up that

05-26-2023  
11:04:13 am



**Katie S** not even to light chalk flares?

05-26-2023  
11:04:23 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Pretty cool

05-26-2023  
11:04:38 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Gee attacks on the little downhill.

05-26-2023  
11:04:56 am



**bikerabe** Go Gee Go

05-26-2023  
11:06:35 am



**SFinAus** Fingers crossed for Gee.

05-26-2023  
11:11:30 am



**Charlie in Tenn** DePlus gets back on the front after being dropped.

05-26-2023  
11:13:02 am



**John** These GC guys are running out of road to make something happen

05-26-2023  
11:13:44 am



**BusterSci** I don't know. Â At these inclines there's still a lot that can be done

05-26-2023  
11:16:03 am



**Katie S** Buitrago closing up slowly to Gee

05-26-2023  
11:16:21 am



**SFinAus** Maybe saving something for tomorrow, and doing nothing until the last km/minutes?

05-26-2023  
11:16:41 am



**SFinAus** Gee dying 1k deaths.Â uff.

05-26-2023  
11:18:08 am



**Katie S** gotta think Buitrago probably has a kick left in his toolbox and Gee doesn't

05-26-2023  
11:19:02 am



**Trish in MA** Noooooooo Gee caught

05-26-2023  
11:19:57 am



**Katie S** dang

05-26-2023  
11:20:17 am



**Trish in MA** But the explosion of speed when Butrago went past. Wow

05-26-2023  
11:20:56 am



**Katie S** eejits

05-26-2023  
11:22:00 am



**SFinAus** Slow ramping up of pressure by Almeida.Â woop Rog!

05-26-2023  
11:23:27 am



**Katie S** Rog goes

05-26-2023  
11:23:27 am



**Katie S** Geraint follows

05-26-2023  
11:23:38 am



**Katie S** Almeida not catching back on

05-26-2023  
11:23:57 am



**Katie S** Rog and Thomas catching the dregs of the break

05-26-2023  
11:24:35 am



**Katie S** Buitrago puts on his sponsors' shades to cross the line

05-26-2023  
11:26:43 am



**Katie S** The future's so bright, i gotta wear shades, i guess

05-26-2023  
11:27:09 am



**Katie S** How're those big cogs working for you, Rog?

05-26-2023  
11:28:16 am



**Katie S** ha ... and there he goes! gets time on G

05-26-2023  
11:28:36 am



**Trish in MA** A second or two

05-26-2023  
11:28:49 am



**SFinAus** A "ding dong" battle.

05-26-2023  
11:28:49 am





**bikerabe** Great Race !

05-26-2023  
11:29:11 am



**Trish in MA** 3 seconds Rog takes back

05-26-2023  
11:29:41 am



**Charlie in Tenn** Lots of movement in 4th - 10th.

05-26-2023  
11:30:25 am



**Katie S** Tomorrow will tell

05-26-2023  
11:30:26 am



**bikerabe** now Tour Norway prologue TT

05-26-2023  
11:30:43 am



**Katie S** Thanks for the race, Nuts. See you tomorrow.

05-26-2023  
11:30:49 am



**John** Bye Katie

05-26-2023  
11:31:00 am



**Charlie in Tenn** I got to run errands. see ya tomorrow. We can talk about a lot of other races during the TT.

05-26-2023  
11:32:27 am



**SFinAus** Thanks to all.Â See you tomorrow

05-26-2023  
11:32:39 am



**John** See you tomorrow

05-26-2023  
11:33:37 am