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**Zugspitz Ultratrail 2025: Great performances, a fantastic festival atmosphere and a memorable premiere at Germany's biggest trail running event**

**The Salomon Zugspitz Ultratrail powered by Ledlenser was a complete success: great atmosphere in midsummer temperatures, 7 exciting competitions from 5 starting locations, including an epic premiere of the ZUT100, and thousands of beaming finishers.**

The big trail running spectacle around the Zugspitze kicked off on Thursday evening at 8pm on Richard-Strauss Platz in Garmisch-Partenkirchen: Around 250 runners, cheered on by thousands of spectators, raced out into the night for the premiere of the ZUT100, the first 100-mile race around the Zugspitze. And it was a tough race, with technical passages during the night and intense heat the next day. The race was characterized by lead changes and numerous retirements - over 40% had to give up - and in the end Thomas Ungethüm from Saxony took the title in 24:00:40 hours. Ungethüm had already won in Garmisch-Partenkirchen in 2022, back then in the Ultratrail. "The race was awesome. I had a tough start, but after the halfway point it got better and better, plus the enthusiastic spectators - the ZUT is simply fantastic." Austrian Werner Sturm came second ahead of local hero and "Nomads" runner Rene Claussnitzer, known as "Master Goodvibe", in 25:25:55. The women's performance was also sensational: While the favored Ida Sophie Hegemann had to give up early in the race, Johanna Tallmann set the third best time of the day in 24:57:20 h and confidently won the women's classification. She was followed by Tatiana Mitkina and Sawicka Dlugosz from Poland.

**Garmisch-Partenkirchen Trail: double victory for Salomon**

He was the favorite and defending champion: Manuel Innerhofer from Salomon Team Austria. And he lived up to his role: in 2:24:45 hours he needed a good 12 minutes longer than last year, but won just ahead of Dominik Hohenleitner, also Salomon (2:26:20 h) and Johannes Dörr from Innsbruck. The women's race was won by a strong Sarah Kister from the Salomon team in 2:45:01 h ahead of her team colleague Silvia Schweiger from Slovakia and Lowa Trail Racer Lena Ritzel.

**Ultratrail: Pierre Emanuel Alexandre defends his title. Lisa Wimmer wins the women's race**

Pierre Emanuel Alexandre, running for Salomon Germany, confidently defended his title over the classic ultra distance of 106 kilometers. In 11:12:10 hours, he was over an hour faster than his teammate Johannes Löw. Third place went to Italian Scarpa athlete Matteo Anselmi. Alexandre: "It certainly helped that I knew the course, but I was already feeling the pressure as the defending champion. The Ultratrail was also a qualifying race for the World Championships. So I'm all the happier to have won here again. "

Salomon athletes also dominated the women's race: Lisa Wimmer ran the race from the front and won in 13:02:56 h ahead of local hero Eva Sperger, also competing for Salomon (13:18:10 h). Melanie Lenz completed the podium (13:35:08 h).

**Ehrwald Trail: Max Rahm and Ruth Huber in the lead**

He has never run further than on today's Ehrwald Trail over 86 kilometers; but that didn't stop Max Rahm from being the only runner to stay under the 10-hour mark in 9:47:51 h. Malte Lüttermann came second in 10:55:32 h ahead of Marcel Mayer in 11:07.08 h.

The women's race was somewhat closer: Switzerland's Ruth Huber won in 12:32:06 h ahead of Germany's Jana Seel (12:43:14 h) and Monika Heitzinger (13:19:57 h).

**Leutasch Trail: Heat battle before an approaching thunderstorm**

At 9:00 in the morning, 650 runners set off from Leutasch on their 68-kilometer journey to Garmisch-Partenkirchen - and quickly ran into the midday heat with temperatures of over 30 degrees. Markus Brennauer from Penzberg coped best with the challenging conditions, winning the race in 7:10:43 hours. Second was Marco Podschadel (7:36:46 h) ahead of Lennard Muschinski in (7:43:02 h). The women's competition was won by Madeleine Gerweck from Munich in 9:49:07 h ahead of Alina Schmitt (10:03:28 h)

**Mittenwald Trail: exciting battle for men and women**

Alongside the Garmisch Partenkirchen Trail, the Mittenwald Trail is the most popular distance in the Zugspitz Ultratrail. The 44 km men's race promised pure excitement on paper - and this was confirmed during the race. Michael Skala and Eric Breitbarth pushed hard on the first half, which was easy to run, but the experienced Markus Mingo was always within striking distance. And the steeper and more technical it became, the more he played to his strengths, catching the two of them and ultimately winning in a commanding 3:54:05. Eric Breitbarth came second in 3:59:01 h ahead of Michael Skala (3:59:18 h). Mingo: "The uphill was great, the Zegapa Cheering Zone really pushed me again; I've never experienced anything like it. And on the downhill - as far as I can remember - nobody has ever overtaken me in all the years at the ZUT anyway. "

Maria Elias Legellli dominated the women's competition in 4:14:51 ahead of the favorite Johanna Ehrenklau (4:25:13 h), who competes for The North Face, and the Danish Salomon athlete Helene Draborg (4:35:453 h). "Today I ran by feel and simply had a good day," said the winner.

**Grainau Trail: turbo-charged over the trails**

The shortest and fastest race over 16 kilometers started from Grainau. Konstantin Wedel won the men's race in 1:08:17 h ahead of Maximilan Zeus (1:08:55 h) and Jan Peterzelt (1:09:07 h). Kim Strohmann won the women's race in 1:23:08 ahead of Marion Leiberich (1:25:54 h) and Natalie Rauh (1:30:15 h)

The Zugspitz Ultratrail 2026 will take place from June 18 to 20.

All results at zugspitz-ultratrail.com

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