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## Zugspitz Ultratrail 2025: Germany's biggest trail running event with more participants and exhibitors than ever before.

Germany's biggest trail running event will take place in Garmisch-Partenkirchen from June 12 to 14, 2025. The Salomon Zugspitz Ultratrail powered by Ledlenser has been completely sold out for months with around 5000 runners. And the Expo is also fully booked with 53 exhibitors. 7 races are on the program; the ZUT100 is also the first alpine 100-mile race around the Zugspitze.

The Zugspitz Ultratrail has never been sold out as early as this year - despite increased contingents and an additional competition, the ZUT100. **Around 5000 runners from 66 nations will be taking part in one of the 7 races around the Zugspitze and Garmisch-Partenkirchen**. The most represented nations include **Germany, followed by the Netherlands, Austria, USA, Switzerland, France, Poland, Denmark and Great Britain.** The proportion of women is 33 percent, which is slightly higher than in 2024. In the shortest competition, the Grainau Trail, there are even significantly more women than men competing.

# 7 competitions, 5 starting locations. Premiere for the ZUT100

Garmisch-Partenkirchen has been the central event location for the Zugspitz Ultratrail since 2022 and the destination for all 7 competitions. The **ZUT100, the first alpine 100-mile race over 164 kilometers around the Zugspitze, kicks off on Thursday, 12 June at 8 pm**. Among the top favorites are the **Frenchman Jaouen Maxime and the German Tobias Fritz**, while **Ida-Sophie Hegemann** is considered the strongest runner among the women.

The start for the ULTRATRAIL will also take place in Garmisch-Partenkirchen - on Friday evening at 10 p.m., so that the majority of the participants will reach the finish in Garmisch-Partenkirchen on Saturday when it is light.

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Victory is only likely to go to **defending champion and Salomon athlete Pierre Emmanuel Alexandre**. However, **Italy's Matteo Anselmi and Germany's Johannes Löw and Johannes Ostfalk** are also considered to have a good chance. Local heroine and **Salomon athlete Eva Sperger** and **Polish athlete Marta Wenta**, ULTRATRAIL winner in 2023, are the favorites in the women's race.

The other competitions and favorites:

- **EHRWALD TRAIL**, 86 km, 4080 m elevation gain, start June 13, 11 p.m. in Ehrwald
  - Favorites: Max Rahm and Lena Laukner (TNF)
- **LEUTASCH TRAIL**, 68 km, 2870 m elevation gain, start June 14, 9 a.m. in Leutasch/Weidach
  - Favorites: Marcel Geißler (TNF, winner ZUT ULTRATRAIL 2023)
- **MITTENWALD TRAIL,** 44 km, 1860 m elevation gain, start June 14, 7 a.m. in Mittenwald.
  - Favorites: Moritz auf der Heide (Salomon) and Markus Mingo (XC RUN), both already German Ultratrail champions; as well as Constantin Leinekugel (TNF); Johanna Ehrenklau (TNF) in the women's race
- **GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN TRAIL**, 29 km, 1535 m elevation gain, start June 13, 10 a.m. in Garmisch-Partenkirchen
  - Favorites: Defending champion Manuel Innerhofer from Austria (Salomon) and Dominik Hohenleitner (Salomon); Slovakia's Silvia Schwaiger (Salomon) and Sarah Kistner from Germany.
- **GRAINAU TRAIL**, 16 km, 760 m elevation gain, start June 14, 12 noon in Grainau
  - Favorites (among others) Maximillian Zeus (Salomon) and Florian Neuschwander; Franziska Althaus, Marion Leiberich and Laura Hampel.

#### Strong partners and a large expo with 53 partners

Trail running without **Salomon** is unthinkable. The French company is probably the best-known brand in the sport of trail running and has been the title sponsor of the Zugspitz Ultratrail since its inception.

Other long-standing partners include lamp specialist **Ledlenser, Orthomol, Sidas, Buff and Sport Conrad**. On board as a strong partner for the first time: **Garmin**.







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The Zugspitz Ultratrail is not only Germany's largest trail running event in terms of participant numbers, but the **expo**, with its **53 exhibitors**, is also unparalleled and ensures an **extensive festival atmosphere**.

These include: Salomon, Ledlenser, Garmin, Buff, Sidas, Sport Conrad, Orthomol Sport, Madrisa Trail Klosters, Rabbit Fuel, Hoka, Brooks, Mammut, Sporthunger, Lowa, Hydrapak, Scarpa, Craft, Petzl, Obertauern Trailrun Summit, New Balance, Black Diamond, Explorer Hotels, Bauerfeind, Aquion, Medreflexx, Incylence, The North Face, Cardio World, Näak, Karpos, Kloster Kitchen, Compressport, Leki, Komperdell, Dynafit, Tzampas, Maurten, Rossignol, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Asics, evil eye, Cep, Suunto, La Sportiva, Artzt Neuro, Reboots, Scott, Gepps, Pillar, Snowline, Zion, Ther Athletics, Altra, XBionic, Paracelsus Medical University, Racepace, Nzfy me.

### Further highlights of the "ZUT":

#### • Livestream and Live Center

The Mittenwald Trail will be broadcast live on YouTube from 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, moderated by Markus Oster. All other races can be followed from Friday in a live center at zugspitz-ultratrail.com.

#### • #ZUTDiary on Instagram

This year, the event will be accompanied for the first time by the ZUTDiary, a daily Instagram format that provides personal insights behind the scenes of the Zugspitz Ultratrail. From the Expo set-up to the emotional start of the 100 Miles to the finish of the last finishers, the format captures the special atmosphere of the event - authentic, approachable and in real time. In this way, the ZUTDiary not only creates visibility for the event and its partners, but also strengthens the emotional connection to the #ZUTfamily.

#### • Cheering Zones from Ledlenser, Zegapa and Garmin

The ultimate motivational boost for the runners, the mood makers for visitors and supporters: the ZUT Cheering Zones

- Zegapa: at the exit of the climb between V8 and V9, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.
- Ledlenser: after V9 just before the Osterfelderkopf, Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Garmin: 1 km before the finish in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Saturday 11 am to 3 pm

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#### • ZUT Food Court

Directly at the Expo there is the food court with all kinds of delicacies for participants and visitors

#### Salomon ZUT Program

Title sponsor Salomon has come up with some great ideas for this year's ZUT with various community runs and hikes. Click here for the program.

The Salomon Zugspitz Ultratrail 2025 starts on Thursday, June 12 at 6 pm with the official welcome at Richard-Strauss-Platz in Garmisch-Partenkirchen. The last finishers are expected in the night from Saturday to Sunday at 1:00 am.

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