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Stellar field of cyclists to feature at inaugural Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium Female Open criterium race added to race day programme

SINGAPORE, 6 October 2022 – The first-ever Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium is set to dazzle the city, with a star-studded line-up of cyclists making an appearance at the event from 29-30 October. Four-time Tour de France winner Chris Froome and cycling brothers Antonio and Vincenzo Nibali are among the riders who will battle for glory on a specially designed street circuit in the heart of the city. Spanish cycling great, Alejandro Valverde, winner of the 2018 UCI Road World Championships, has confirmed his participation as well. Froome and Nibali V. are two of only seven cyclists who have won all three of cycling's Grand Tours (Tour de France, Giro d'Italia, and Vuelta a España) in their career.

The Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium will also hold special significance for Valverde and Nibali V. The race in Singapore will be one of the last professional races for both cyclists as they have announced their retirement from the sport and will be hanging up their wheels later this year. They join Mark Cavendish and Tour de France 2022 winner Jonas Vingegaard, who earlier confirmed their participation. The list of cyclists and their teams is available in [Annex A](#). The line-up is subject to change.

The professional criterium race on 30 October will also feature three Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) continental teams: Terengganu Polygon Cycling Team from Malaysia, Thailand Continental Cycling Team, and LX Cycling Team from Korea. Each of these teams is recognised and certified by the National Federation of the nationality of the majority of its riders to compete in international events. Singapore will be represented in the professional race as well with Team Singapore Cycling Federation (SCF).

Froome said: "It's been a busy season for me having done both the Tour de France and the Vuelta a Espana this year, but after a good recovery period I'm looking forward to travelling to Singapore for the inaugural Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium. Competitive elements aside, part of the fun of racing is also that we get to travel to new places, enjoy new experiences and introduce our sport to more fans from all over the world. I've heard great things about Singapore and seen pictures of what a beautiful city it is, so I can't wait to race on this circuit."

Avid cyclists can also be a part of the action by joining the Tour de France Prudential Singapore Amateur Criterium, which is an SCF-sanctioned Class 2 event. The top 10

finishers in each of the three categories are eligible to accumulate SCF GC ranking points, the SCF's National Ranking points system for sanctioned events. The Amateur Criterium, which will take place around the scenic Marina Bay loop, is the final race of the season for riders to collect these ranking points. In addition to a Men's Seniors and Men's Masters race, a Women's Open criterium has also been added to the race day programme. Details of each race are as follows:

Men's Seniors (aged 19 to 34 years old) – 24.8km

Men's Masters (aged 35 and above) – 18.6km

Women's Open (aged 19 and above) – 12.4km

The registration fee for all categories are \$220 and participants receive entitlements worth nearly \$300 – a two-day pass to the Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium valued at \$118, and an event jersey worth \$180. The two-day pass grants its holders access to a slew of exciting activities and entertainment options during race weekend, in addition to the highly-anticipated professional criterium on 30 October. These include a one-night only show by the critically acclaimed live music extravaganza Synthony, who will make their Asian debut at the Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium. Their performance on Saturday, 29 October, breathtaking fusion of electronic dance music, DJs, vocalists, instrumentalists and live orchestra, with Singapore's very own fully-independent professional symphony orchestra – Metropolitan Festival Orchestra.

Cycling enthusiasts can also be a part of the Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium through joining either the Brompton World Championship, PRURIDE Seeker's Society, or The Absolute Cycle Race.

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Latest updates on the Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium are available on www.singaporecriterium.com as well as [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

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Annex A
Cyclists and teams at the Tour de France Prudential Singapore Criterium

Team	Cyclist	Date of birth	Remarks
Jumbo-Visma	Jonas VINGEGAARD	10/12/96	1 Tour de France win (2022) 2 Tour de France stage wins 1 Grand Tour win
Jumbo-Visma	TBC		
Jumbo-Visma	Sepp KUSS	13/9/94	1 Tour de France stage win 2 Grand Tour stage wins
Jumbo-Visma	TBC		
Movistar Team	Alejandro VALVERDE	25/4/80	4 Tour de France stage wins 1 Grand Tour win 16 Grand Tour stage wins 4 Monuments race wins* 1 World Champion title
Movistar Team	Enric MAS NICOLAU	7/1/95	1 Grand Tour stage win
Movistar Team	José ROJAS	8/6/85	
Movistar Team	Imanol ERVITI	15/11/83	2 Grand Tour stage wins
Astana Qazaqstan Team	Vincenzo NIBALI	14/11/84	1 Tour de France win (2014) 6 Tour de France stage wins 4 Grand Tour wins 17 Grand Tour stage wins 3 Monuments race wins
Astana Qazaqstan Team	Gianmarco GAROFOLI	6/10/02	
Astana Qazaqstan Team	Samuele BATTISTELLA	14/11/98	U23 Road Race World Champion
Astana Qazaqstan Team	Antonio NIBALI	23/9/92	
Israel - Premier Tech	Christopher FROOME	20/5/85	4 Tour de France wins (2013, 2015, 2016, 2017) 7 Tour de France stage wins 7 Grand Tour wins 14 Grand Tour stage wins
Israel - Premier Tech	Hugo HOULE	27/9/90	1 Tour de France stage win 1 Grand Tour stage win
Israel - Premier Tech	Guillaume BOIVIN	25/5/89	3x National Championships Canada Road Race winner
Israel - Premier Tech	Simon CLARKE	18/7/86	1 Tour de France stage win 3 Grand Tour stage wins
Cofidis	Simon GESCHKE	13/3/86	1 Tour de France stage win 1 Grand Tour stage win

Cofidis	Maximilian Richard WALSCHEID	13/6/93	
Cofidis	Tom BOHLI	17/1/94	
Cofidis	Axel ZINGLE	18/12/98	
Intermarché Wanty Gobert Matériaux	Jan HIRT	21/1/91	1 Grand Tour stage win
Intermarché Wanty Gobert Matériaux	Théo DELACROIX	21/2/99	
Intermarché Wanty Gobert Matériaux	Andrea PASQUALON	2/1/88	
Intermarché Wanty Gobert Matériaux	Barnabas PEAK	29/11/98	2x National Championships Hungary ITT winner; National Championships Road Race winner
Bike Exchange	Callum SCOTSON	10/8/96	
Bike Exchange	Michael MATTHEWS	26/9/90	4 Tour de France stage wins 9 Grand Tour stage wins
Bike Exchange	TBC		
Bike Exchange	TBC		
Lotto-Soudal	TBC		
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Lotto-Soudal	Frederik FRISON	28/7/92	
Lotto-Soudal	Jasper DE BUYST	24/11/93	
TDF Criterium Legends Team	Mark CAVENDISH	21/5/85	34 Tour de France stage wins 53 Grand Tour stage wins 1 Monuments race win 1 World Champion title
TDF Criterium Legends Team	Jasper PHILIPSEN	2/3/98	2 Tour de France stage wins 5 Grand Tour stage wins
Continental teams			
Terengganu Polygon Cycling Team, Malaysia	Goh Choon Huat	14/12/90	
Terengganu Polygon Cycling Team, Malaysia	Mohd Harrif Saleh	15/9/88	
Terengganu Polygon Cycling Team, Malaysia	Youcef Reguigui	9/1/90	
Terengganu Polygon Cycling Team, Malaysia	Wan Abdul Rahman Hamdan	9/6/99	
Thailand Continental Cycling Team, Thailand	Sarawut Sirironnachai	23/8/92	

Thailand Continental Cycling Team, Thailand	Thanawut Sanikwathi	13/6/93	
Thailand Continental Cycling Team, Thailand	Warut Paekrathok	24/4/99	
Thailand Continental Cycling Team, Thailand	Peerapol Chawchiangkwan	17/10/86	
LX Cycling Team, Korea	Park Keon Woo	18/7/91	
LX Cycling Team, Korea	Kim Euro	9/10/99	
LX Cycling Team, Korea	Kim Jaeh Yun	16/10/00	
LX Cycling Team, Korea	Park Sang Hong	29/3/89	
Team Singapore Cycling Federation, Singapore	Yeo Boon Kiak	7/3/88	
Team Singapore Cycling Federation, Singapore	Calvin Sim	14/10/89	
Team Singapore Cycling Federation, Singapore	Darren Lim	16/1/98	
Team Singapore Cycling Federation, Singapore	Arfan Bin Faisal	21/9/00	

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