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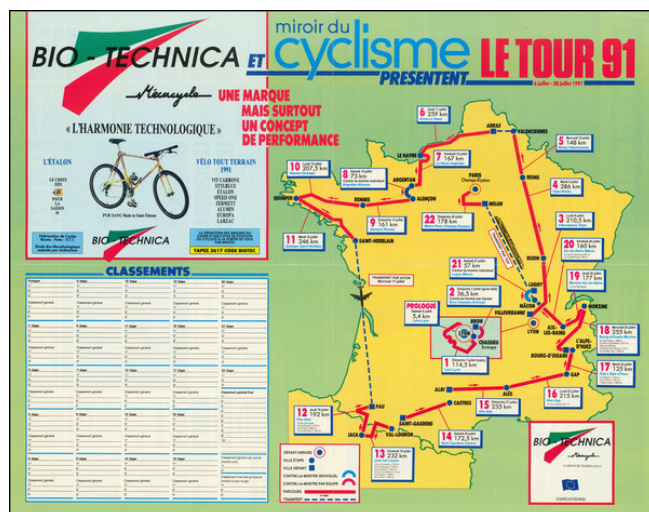
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Le Tour 91

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Description:

A vintage Tour de France map showing the 1991 edition of the event. Riders started in Lyon before making their way north through Dijon and Reims, then headed to the western edge of Brittany. The race then moved on to the more exciting stages of the Pyrenees and cut westwards to the Alps before finishing at the Champs-Elysees.

In the race, LeMond initially hoped to win his fourth championship but had to give up the yellow jersey after the second day. He regained it later in the race, but the later time trials and mountain stages played into the hands of the Spaniard Miguel Indurain. Otherwise, the Tour was relatively uneventful, with its usual level of curious stories and crashes. The winner of the green jersey crashed his bike in the Champs Elysees, and waited fifteen minutes before standing up and walking his bike to the finish, so as to qualify for the award. The introduction of the flying stage almost led to the disqualification of the Swiss rider Urs Zimmermann due to his fear of flying, but protestations from other riders reinstated him and allowed him to use other means of transport.

This hilly edition of the Tour included many of its most famous climbs. In the Pyrenees, on stage 13 alone, the riders attacked the Tourmalet and the Col d'Aubisque, as well as four other major cols. In the Alpes, the riders hit the L'Alpe d'Huez and the Col de la Colombiere. Climbs are listed with their altitudes next to some stages.

Printed slots on the map are left blank so that viewers can record overall champions and the winners of each stage. This map was produced by the bicycle company Bio-Technica.



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