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# From the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2014 Raid in France, Volcanos to Camargue

# What is Raid in France

- The French round of Adventure Racing World Series ARWS
- The biggest european adventure race in total autonomy
- A 5 to 7 days non-stop expedition, orienteering and multisport
- A human adventure in teams of four, with at least one women
- 200 racers, 580km of race, 15 000 meters upstream



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# The 6<sup>th</sup> edition, named Volcanos to Camargue

European reference in adventure racing, the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of Raid in France will take place from the 13<sup>th</sup> of September to the 20<sup>th</sup>. Named Volcanos to Camargue, the track will guide 30 international and French teams, from Haute-Loire to Grau-du-Roi, star town of Camargue. This leads to 580km crossing regions of Auvergne, Rhone-Alpes and Languedoc-Roussillon.

## **Raid in France, instructions**

The teams of four racers will go through the track in total autonomy and orienteering themselves – without cell phones or GPS - for 5 days non-stop (for the quickest teams) and 7 (for the last teams). The teams deal with their food and only sleep around ten hours during the whole race, holding trials of MTB, high mountain pieces, trekking, horsing, caving, canoeing, climbing, canyoning, abseiling... Progression will be made... only on the behalf of arms, legs and a strong team spirit!

# An amazing route

The 100% natural track will go through uncommon territories, requiring orienteering and technical skills. The landscapes will strike you by their wilderness. This year you will be immerse in the historical Auvergne volcances environment, the high valleys of Ardeche and Cevenes, and last but not least, the astonishing Camargue. Our baseline « Back to Nature » suits perfectly this new edition!



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## A reference race at an international scale

Raid in France belongs to the World Series organisation (ARWS). ARWS is in charge of every 10 world cups worldwide: Australia, New-Zealand, Brazil, Ecuador, France, South Africa, Costa-Rica, Argentina, Great Britain and USA. Raid in France is therefore the French Round of World Cups.

# **Pascal Bahuaud challenge**

Olympian finalist in rowing (Seoul 1988) in his first life, and adventure racer in his second. Pascal Bahuaud has an impressive palmares in outdoor races (10 Raid Gauloises, 6 podiums). Since 2007, he found a new challenge: organising Raid in France. Always hoping for new adventures, he travels through France for days to find the best track.

« Raid in France is an authentic race: autonomy of racers, 1/50 000<sup>e</sup> maps and a total respect for environment... It is also an amazing human adventure, shared with 100 volunteers », Pascal Bahuaud, race director

