



Press Release

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## 2800 km TransAnatolia Rally Raid Adventure ends in Eskişehir

Starting on August 20 from Hatay, the TransAnatolia Rally Raid covered 2,800 km and reached the finish line in Eskişehir.

This year, a total of 84 race vehicles (56 rally and 28 raid) and 115 racers participated in the TransAnatolia Rally Raid adventure from Hatay to Eskişehir, organized with the support of the Turkish Automobile Sports Federation TOSFED and the Turkish Tourism Promotion and Development Agency TGA in the Motorcycle, Quad, SSV, Car and Truck categories.

At TransAnatolia, which has eight legs in total, racers traveled a total of 2,800 km in Hatay, Osmaniye, Feke, Bakırdağ, Melikgazi, Felahiye, Sivrialan, Kayseri, Develi, Aladağ, Çelikhan, Bolkar, Taşkale, Obruk, Tuz Gölü, Mihalıççık and Eskişehir stages.

The racers, starting from Haymana on the eighth and final leg of the race on Saturday, August 27, covered 313 km, 218 km of which was the special stage, on the Mihalıççık and Eskişehir stages and saw the finish line in Eskişehir. The 12th TransAnatolia adventure came to an end with the finishing ceremony held at 18:00 on Saturday at Eskişehir City Forest Ecotourism Area. .

### The general classification results of the race were as follows:

**In the motorcycle group;** the standings have not changed since the first day. Frenchman Xavier De Soultrait ranked first with 29 hours 28 minutes 20 seconds, Italian Michele Cotti ranked second with 32 hours 58 minutes 58 seconds and Ejder Erişti ranked third with 33 hours 3 minutes 46 seconds.

**In the Quad group;** Hasan Yatkın came first with 46 hours 42 minutes 4 seconds, Rasim Akyalı came second with 71 hours 44 minutes 52 seconds and Kadir Dağlı came third with 77 hours 4 minutes.

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**In the automobile class;** the duo of Ahmet Bağce and Uğur Tepe finished first with 38 hours 41 minutes 56 seconds, the duo of Hüseyin Kurt and Özyaydın Dölek finished second with 38 hours 59 minutes 27 seconds, and the duo of Mithat Diker and Erdal Oral finished third with 58 hours 25 minutes 18 seconds.

**In the SSV class;** İsrafil Akyüz and Timur Sancak placed first with 34 hours 24 minutes 2 seconds, Barbaros Yangın and Ali Osman Kutanoğlu placed second with 37 hours 41 minutes 7 seconds, and the Italian duo Federico Butto and Martino Albertini finished third with 46 hours 15 minutes 36 seconds.

The Italian duo Marino Mutti and Andrea Mazzoleni, competing in the truck category, completed the race with a total time of 71 hours 54 minutes 58 seconds.

**This year' winning duo in the Raid category was Turgay Düzcü & Anıl Gençtürk. The duo of Jale Özel and Ayşegül Telli came second, while Ahmet Terece and Ulaş Germen finished third.**

The best ranking of the day among the motorcyclists participating in TransAnatolia for the first time was achieved by Italian riders Andrea Pighetti, Massimo Ferrari and Luca Zussino, who won the Castrol Power1 Best Rookie special award.

Ducati/Korlas, which continues to grow with the direction it has given and the brands it represents as well as its contribution to the motorcycle culture in Turkey throughout its nearly 30-year history, and Expo'21 Hatay, which brings an Olympics in the fields of culture, history, education, art, entertainment and trade to Hatay and hosts dozens of civilizations, are among the main sponsors of TransAnatolia. Spor Toto, General Tire, Izeltaş, Castrol, Zorlu Enerji, Fiat, Mitas, Fikirmedya, Jules Verne and 4x4Europarts are among the other organizations supporting the race. This year **Castrol** also assumed the title sponsorship of the motorcycle category of the race. This year's media sponsors of TransAnatolia are **Power Group, Motorsport.com.tr and Soloenduro.it.**

**TransAnatolia Rally Raid** is a motorsport racing organization that has been held in Turkey every year since 2010. The race competes in Motorcycle, 4x4 Car, Truck, Quad and SSV categories and off-road stages. TransAnatolia soon became recognized as one of the best rally raid races in the world. Racers compete in TransAnatolia with world-class road grades and are monitored by an uninterrupted satellite tracking system.

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