

RALLYCLASSICS AFRICA

12-17 SEP 2025



The third edition of RallyClassics Africa is now underway in Morocco

- The Moroccan desert is the stage for the third edition of **RallyClassics Africa**, which takes place from September 12 to 17 in Erfoud and Merzouga.
- **42 teams from 10 countries and 3 continents**, representing a record number of participants, are set to compete in this unique rally-raid in Africa, featuring internationally renowned drivers of both classic and modern off-road vehicles.
- Over five days, the teams will tackle **1,000 kilometres of demanding routes**, combining regularity zones, navigation challenges, and dune driving.

After weeks of anticipation, the engines of RallyClassics Africa 2025 have finally started with the opening stage of this five-day event. The regularity rally-raid celebrates its third edition with record participation, consolidating its position as the benchmark event to prepare for the Dakar Classic and the Africa Eco Race.

Teams from countries as diverse as the United States, Angola, and Greece will cover 1,000 kilometres across some of the most iconic landscapes of the Moroccan desert, in a challenge devised by RallyClassics, Josep Maria Servià, and Fina Román.

In the words of the organizers, *"Returning to Africa for the third year is a success and demonstrates that the event continues to grow year after year. We aim to offer a unique and family-friendly event, always taking full advantage of the great potential this region has."*

A first-class accommodation at the Hotel Xaluca in Erfoud, along with a technical and demanding route, are the key factors that motivate teams from all over the world to travel to Morocco each year to take part in this rally. Added to this is the spectacular scenery, from the desert tracks of Erfoud to the towering dunes of Merzouga, making RallyClassics Africa an unforgettable experience in Morocco.

KH-7, Spain's leading brand in kitchen cleaning and stain-removal products, is once again the main sponsor of the event, reaffirming its commitment to classic motorsport competitions organized by RallyClassics. KH-7 is also the Title Sponsor of the **Rally KH-7 Costa Brava**, the country's oldest rally, a scoring event in the FIA European Historic Rally Championship.

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A high-level entry list

Interest is at its peak this year, with the strongest lineup of drivers and vehicles in the event's history. The rally's growing international reputation, combined with its accessibility, has encouraged participation from a wide range of vehicles: 4x4s of all eras (with only those manufactured before 2005 eligible for overall victory), all-terrain trucks of any period, and SSVs (buggies).

Among the enrolled drivers and co-drivers are several standout names in the world of motorsport: Jordi Gené (official CUPRA driver), Antonio Rius (winner of the first RallyClassics Africa), broadcasters Albert Fàbrega and Daniel Cuadrado, American driver Amy Lerner (with Dakar experience), Jan Rosa (reigning co-driver champion and double Dakar Classic winner), and Rafa Lesmes and Tabatha Romón (current Dakar Classic winners in trucks category). This year also marks a record female participation, with three drivers and ten co-drivers taking part, following the path paved by RallyClassics' #MotorDona program.

The competing vehicles form one of the most impressive service parks in classic off-road racing. One of the stars is the legendary Seat Toledo Marathon, a unique car prepared by SEAT Históricos, which is competing in Morocco for the third consecutive year.

The efficient Toyota Land Cruiser HDJ80s prepared by the Spanish TH-Trucks Team (which has brought nine vehicles to Morocco) are again among the frontrunners, as are the Mitsubishi Pajeros of the Italian R-Team, which this year also debuts two spectacular Porsche 959 EVOs, making their international debut at RallyClassics Africa.

Pedregà Team and TH-Trucks Team are also entering various SSVs, a category that continues to grow in popularity and includes teams that compete in the Spanish Championship and the Dakar Rally. Local Moroccan crews Ibrahim Ettaiek – Said Ahnana and Ali Oubassidi – Hanane Amraoui will once again showcase their expertise and knowledge of the dunes.

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What lies ahead for the competitors?

The opening stage, held entirely on hard tracks and oueds, is now history, with victory and the provisional lead going to the Seat Toledo Marathon of Antonio Rius and Carles Jiménez.

The second stage will take place on Sunday, September 14, heading north of Erfoud in search of spectacular landscapes and fast tracks. The third stage will bring the participants face-to-face for the first time with the unparalleled dunes of Erg Chebbi, which will also feature prominently in the fourth and five stages, which will be decisive for the final classification.

The rally-raid will conclude on Wednesday, September 17, closing a week of authentic off-road racing and adventure in Morocco.

RallyClassics Africa is possible thanks to the collaboration of KH-7, Grup Xaluca, Servià Desert, TH-Trucks Team, Pedregà Team, Classic Cover and Coremosa.

All information about RallyClassics Africa can be found in the [RallyClassics website](https://www.rallyclassics.org).

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