



The most experienced team

The South African team will be one of the most awaited on the Bretagne Classic - Ouest-France. At the start of the race, she will simply be the most experienced team of all. With two men having already placed second at Plouay and two former winners of the Amstel Gold Race, she will be there to win.

The seven men entered by **Team Dimension Data** have accumulated no less than 26 entries at the biggest cycling race in Brittany. Arriving with Michael Valgren Andersen, second last year behind Oliver Naesen, the South African team presents a leader who will be considered one of the big favorites of the day. To support him he will count on very solid teammates like the former winner of the Amstel Gold Race, Roman Kreuziger, but also Giacomo Nizzolo, he also former 2nd of Plouay in 2013 and author of five Top 10 on the breton classics.

Promoted to the WorldTour in 2016, Team Dimension Data arrived in Plouay the year of the creation of the Bretagne Classic, succeeding the Grand Prix. So far, the South African team has distinguished itself with its leader Edvald Boasson Hagen, 10th last year. The Norwegian will be absent this year but his team will not be less strong, far from it.

Michael Valgren Andersen as leader

Dimension Data has presented its first list of riders scheduled to Plouay under the direction of the sports director **Jean-Pierre Heynderickx**.

81. Michael Valgren Andersen (Den, 27). 2nd in 2018, the Dane knows he has the ideal profile to win the Bretagne Classic. The winner of the 2018 Amstel Gold Race will find this year a race comparable to the dutch race. He will be among the favorites of the day for his fifth participation in Plouay.

82. Danilo Wyss (Sui, 34). Strong rider having already a dozen professional seasons behind him, the Swiss will be there in teammate. 22nd in 2017, he will live his sixth participation on the breton classic.

83. Jacques Janse Van Rensburg (Rsa, 32). Faithful teammate, the South African will discover the Bretagne Classic and Plouay. He will be there to help his leaders.

84. Giacomo Nizzolo (Ita, 30). 2nd in 2013 he was also 5th in 2011, 7th in 2012, 8th in 2016 and 9th in 2014. Considered one of the greatest specialists of Plouay, the Italian is in good form and will be among the outsiders of the Bretagne Classic. He will be a key element in the South African collective who can count on him in case of the arrival of a group in a sprint.

85. Julien Vermote (Bel, 30). Strong teammate, the Belgian will live his seventh experience in Plouay, he will be there as a teammate to bring his leaders to victory.

86. Roman Kreuziger (Cze, 33). He also won the Amstel Gold Race (in 2013), very experienced rider he will be for the fifth time in Plouay. Former cyclo-crossman, the gravel roads form Roudouallec will not scare him.

87. Ryan Gibbons (Rsa, 25). The youngest of the team will live his second Bretagne Classic in a crew role to bring his leaders.

The announced substitutes are **Lars Bak Ytting (Den)**, **Stephen Cummings (Gbr)** and **Scott Davies (Gbr)**.

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