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Carte Pratique du Tour de France 1953

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Centre-Ouest
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Place: Tours
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Description:

A great antique map made for the 1953 Tour de France, showing the many cities and towns the race would pass through. The route starts in Strasbourg and then passes through Rennes, Rouen, Lausanne, Monaco, Aix-en-Provence, Toulouse, and Clermont-Ferrand before arriving in Paris. The several climbs of this route are shown, with many cols in the French, Swiss, and Italian Alps. Printed slots to the right of the map are left blank for viewers to the winners of each stage and the overall champions.

This fiftieth edition of the Tour saw the introduction of the now-defunct combativity jersey. This race was so dominated by the Italian Fausto Coppi that Tour organizers doubled the prize money for second place to incentivize more competition.

The verso explains the workings of the Tour, describing the national and regional teams, and the rules the cyclists must abide by.

This map was printed by *La Nouvelle Republique du Centre-Ouest*, a French newspaper headquartered in Tours.

Detailed Condition: