



# 1990 PARIS - TRIPOLI - DAKAR

## THE DAKAR IN FIGURES

### 12<sup>th</sup> PARIS - TRIPOLI - DAKAR

- **Start:** 25 December 1989 from Paris
- **Finish:** 16 January 1990 in Dakar (Rose Lake)
- **Rest:** No rest day
- **Length of rally:** 11,420 km
- **Number of kilometers of specials:** 8,564 km
- **Countries crossed:** France, Libya, Niger, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal



### NUMBER OF COMPETITORS: 465

- **At the start :** 236 cars  
136 motorcycles  
93 trucks
- **At the finish :** 133 véhicules  
including 64 cars  
46 motorcycles  
23 trucks

### OVERALL CAR STANDINGS:

Ari Vatanen/Berglund (Fin) *PEUGEOT 405*

### OVERALL MOTORCYCLE STANDINGS:

Edi Orioli (Ita) *CAGIVA*

### OVERALL TRUCK STANDINGS:

Villa/Delfino/Vinante (Ita) *PERLINI*

## MAJOR COMPETITORS

### Motorcycle

- **Suzuki :** Wagner, Rahier, Lalay
- **Yamaha :** Peterhansel, Magnaldi, Neveu, Picard, Signorelli, Pascual
- **Honda :** Serra, Robinet, Pilet, Balle-Fries,
- **Gilera :** Medardo, Mandelli
- **Cagiva :** Arcarons, Orioli, De Pétri
- **Kawasaki :** Charbonnier, Dubucq
- **Usqvarna :** Charbonnel, Merel, Pagnon

### Car

- **Nissan :** Porcar-Tourinan, Nemoto-Ono, Prieto-Juncosa

- **Peugeot 205 :** Wambergue-Da Silva, Ambrosino-Baumgartner
- **Peugeot 405 :** Vatanen-Berglund, Waldegard-Fenouil,
- **Mitsubishi :** Lartigue-Maingret, Fontenay-Musmara, Zaniroli-Couillet, Shinozuka-Magne Schlesser-Lopes
- **Buggy :** Arnoux-Coche, Auriol
- **Lada :** Tambay-Lemoyne, Ickx-Tarin
- **Range Rover :** Raymondis-Destaillats, Servia-Puig, Pescarolo-Fourticq
- **Toyota :** Ratet-Vantouroux, Gaviot-Bondenet, Nogues-Favre

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **Made in Russia:** Soviet drivers at the wheel of Soviet trucks mark a first courtesy of Kamaz.
- **Made in Indonesia:** Tinton Soeprapto is the first Indonesian to compete in the Dakar. Tinton will discover Africa in his Mitsubishi Pajero.
- **Go Marseille:** for the first time in 12 years, the Paris-Dakar rally abandons national highway 20 in favor of the RN 6 and RN 7, which lead to Marseille.
- **Alone in the world:** just one woman enters the race on a motorcycle. It is the fair German, Patricia Schek. Daughter of Herbert, this Dakar's veteran at age 57, she will leave gripping the handlebars of a BMW R 80 S, just like her father.
- **The trucks are back:** left out the prior year, they return again and will follow the same route as the cars.
- **Lenorman on board:** singer Gérard Lenorman makes an appearance in the Dakar with Smulevici.



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- **Metge stays home:** René Metge sees his friends off, he is now too occupied with the Harricana expedition he is organizing.

## THE ROUTE

- **Prologue : Chevilly (5 km)**
- **Prologue : Marseille (3,5 km)**
- **1<sup>ère</sup> étape : Tripoli – Ghadames (539 km dont 273 km de spéciale)**
- **2<sup>ème</sup> étape : Ghadames – Ghat (707 km dont 609 km de spéciale)**
- **3<sup>ème</sup> étape : Ghat – Sabha (687 km dont 446 km de spéciale)**
- **4<sup>ème</sup> étape : Sabha – Tumu (641 km de spéciale)**
- **5<sup>ème</sup> étape : Tumu – Dirkou (504 km de spéciale)**
- **6<sup>ème</sup> étape : Dirkou – N'Gourti (497 km de spéciale)**
- **7<sup>ème</sup> étape : N'Gourti– N'Djamena (647 km dont 499 de spéciale)**
- **8<sup>ème</sup> étape : N'Djamena – N'Guigmi (483 km dont 425 km de spéciale)**
- **9<sup>ème</sup> étape : N'Guigmi – Agadez (780 km de spéciale)**
- **Repos à Agadez**
- **10<sup>ème</sup> étape : Agadez – Tahoua (483 km dont 198 km de spéciale)**
- **11<sup>ème</sup> étape : Tahoua – Niamey (431 km dont 222 km de spéciale)**
- **12<sup>ème</sup> étape : Niamey – Gao (638 km dont 492 km de spéciale)**
- **13<sup>ème</sup> étape : Gao – Tombouctou (412 km de spéciale)**
- **14<sup>ème</sup> étape : Tombouctou – Nema (674 km de spéciale)**
- **15<sup>ème</sup> étape : Nema – Tidjikja (738 km dont 458 km de spéciale)**
- **16<sup>ème</sup> étape : Tidjikja – Kayes (685 km dont 485 km de spéciale)**
- **17<sup>ème</sup> étape : Kayes – Saint-Louis (838 km dont 200 km de spéciale)**
- **18<sup>ème</sup> étape : Saint-Louis – Dakar (227 km dont 40 km de spéciale)**

## THE RACE

- **Prologue: Chevilly (5 km)**

In the traditional mud bath, Arnoux of Citroën and Charbonnel of Husqvarna sign the best times for cars and motorcycles.

- **Prologue : Marseille (3.5 km)**

3500 meters of tough terrain are planned for this prologue. The young champion of the enduro world, Charbonnel, makes another go of it on his Husqvarna. Wambergue on his Mitsubishi beats the three Peugeots.

- **1<sup>ère</sup> étape : Tripoli – Ghadames (539 km, including 273 km of special)**

Patrick Tambay is forced to leave the race because of an engine breakdown. On wide, rolling pistes that are also somewhat trying, Ari Vatanen sets the tone with his win. Spain's Arcarons, on a Cagiva, achieves his first stage victory in the Paris-Dakar.

- **2<sup>nd</sup> stage: Ghadames – Ghat (707 km, including 609 km of special)**

Now we are getting into the thick of it. In giant, soft dunes, Vatanen and Orioli, the reigning champions, turn in the best times. Peugeot earns its first triple in this 1990 edition of the Dakar.

- **3<sup>rd</sup> stage: Ghat – Sabha (687 km, including 446 km of special)**

Vatanen wins another scratch, accompanied this time by Gilles Picard in the motorcycle class. Vatanen and Orioli lead in the overall standings. Moreover, three Peugeots occupy the three top spots in the general rankings while Vatanen already has more than a 1.5-hour lead over the number four driver, Servia (Range Rover).

- **4<sup>th</sup> stage: Sabha – Tumu (641 km of special)**

A difficult departure after a very wet evening. Peugeot and Yamaha, flush with triples in their respective classes, make no efforts to hide their ambition: Vatanen, Waldegard and Ambrosino in cars; Neveu, Peterhansel and Picard on bikes. Although Vatanen is crowing at the top of the overall standings, it is nevertheless De Pétri on his Cagiva who is leading the dance of the two-wheelers.

- **5th stage: Tumu – Dirkou (504 km of special)**

De Pétri and Orioli on their Cagiva get their revenge on Yamaha. For once, Vatanen lets the scratch slip away from him. Waldegard seizes the opportunity, but still sits at the top of the Dakar's general rankings. Noteworthy: the disqualification of Jean-Louis Schlessler, who was clearly aware that by replacing his entire engine block he would be disqualified (this move is strictly forbidden by the official rules).

- **6th stage: Dirkou – N'Gourti (497 km of special)**

Peterhansel is the man of the hour. He prevails in the scratch for the first part of the marathon stage and also takes the overall lead. Success is sweet for the French driver because at the same moment, his wife gives birth to his son, young Nicolas.

- **7th stage: N'Gourti– N'Djamena (647 km, including 499 of special)**

Continuation and conclusion of the marathon day, but a poor day for Yamaha: Neveu falls, Picard misses his departure time and Peterhansel runs out of gas and slips into third place overall. However, Cagiva takes win, place, show with the victory of Orioli in N'Djamena. The Italian pilot also manages to move into the top slot overall ahead of Spain's Mas. Vatanen secures another scratch and continues to sail along in the top spot.

- **8th stage: N'Djamena – N'Guigmi (483 km, including 425 km of special)**

Vatanen extends his lead. Stéphane Peterhansel does the same as he engages in a fierce battle with Orioli. But the Italian clings stubbornly to his lead position.



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- **9th stage: N'Guigmi – Agadez (780 km of special)**

Shinozuka and Magne take the scratch and push Vatanen back by more than 30 minutes. Orioli also emerges as the big winner in the Ténéré. He takes advantage of Peterhansel's disqualification, Neveu's mechanical troubles and Lalay's fall.

- **10th stage: Agadez – Niamey (483 km, including 198 km special)**

De Pétri proves to be the fastest on his bike, while the Waldegard-Fenouil duo dominates the other cars.

- **11th stage: Agadez – Niamey (431 km, including 222 km special)**

Spaniard Mas and Finn Vatanen arrive victorious in Niamey. The overall standings remain unchanged.

- **12th stage: Niamey – Gao (638 km, including 492 km of special)**

A navigation stage during which Shinozuka triumphs, pocketing his second scratch. A close call for Vatanen who was not able to avoid a tree blocking the path and lost more than 40 minutes. The Cagivas secure the first two positions thanks again to Arcarons and De pétri.

- **13th stage: Gao – Timbuktu (412 km of special)**

On sinuous terrain and a very technical piste, Picard and Wambergue are the swiftest ahead of Auriol and Ickx.

- **14th stage: Timbuktu – Nema (674 km of special)**

Waldegard kicks into gear. He takes his second scratch. De Pétri is best on his Cagiva. Orioli maintains the lead in the general rankings.

- **15th stage: Nema – Tidjikja (738 km, including 458 km of special)**

The Néga pass is fatal for the Range driven by Pescarolo-Fourticq, which will not make it to Dakar. Ickx demonstrated the excellent performance ability of his Lada. In the motorcycle class, Mandelli on a Gilera got the better of the sand.

- **16th stage: Tidjikja – Kayes (685 km, including 485 km of special)**

Rahier and Cowan win the last real special. Hubert Auriol must withdraw as his engine is no longer responding.

- **17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> stages: Kayes – Saint-Louis – Dakar**

On the 40 km of the last special of this rally, between M'Boro and Lake Retba, Wambergue and Picco finished in a maelstrom. In the overall standings, Italian Edi Orioli records a second victory in the Dakar. However, it is a first for Cagiva, which pockets its first title. A third triumph for Finland's Ari Vatanen and a hat trick for Peugeot, which retires from the Dakar at the top of its game. The marathon class is won by Maluda (Honda) among motorcycles and by Gaviot-Bondenet for the cars (Toyota).

## SUBSIDIARY

- **Stage victories**

Num	Etape	Spéciale	Km	Vainqueur Auto	Nat	Marque	Vainqueur Moto	Nat	Marque
1	Chevilly	Demi-Prologue	5	Arnoux/Coche	Fra	Citroën	Charbonnel	Fra	Husqvarna
2	Marseille	Demi-Prologue	3,5	Lartigue/Maingret	Fra	Mitsubishi	Charbonnel	Fra	Husqvarna
3	Tripoli-Ghadamès	Azzintan-Darj	273	Vatanen/Berglund	Fin	Peugeot	Arcarons	Esp	Cagiva
4	Ghadamès-Ghat	Ch-AI Awaynat	609	Vatanen/Berglund	Fin	Peugeot	Orioli	Ita	Cagiva
5	Ghat-Sabha	Ch-Germa	446	Vatanen/Berglund	Fin	Peugeot	Picard	Fra	Yamaha
6	Sabha-Tumu	Sabha-Tumu	641	Vatanen/Berglund	Fin	Peugeot	De Pétri	Ita	Cagiva
7	Tumu-Dirkou	Tumu-Dirkou	504	Waldegard/Fenouil	Sue	Peugeot	De Pétri	Ita	Cagiva
8	Dirkou-N'Gourti	Dirkou-N'Gourti	497	Ambrosino/Baumgartner	Fin	Peugeot	De Pétri	Ita	Cagiva
9	N'Gourti-N'Djamena	N'Gourti-Massakori	499	Vatanen/Berglund	Fin	Peugeot	De Pétri	Ita	Cagiva
10	N'Djamena-N'Guigmi	Naala-N'Guigmi	425	Vatanen/Berglund	Fin	Peugeot	Peterhansel	Fra	Yamaha
11	N'Guigmi-Agadez	N'Guigmi-Agadez	780	Shinozuka/Magne	Jap	Mitsubishi	Orioli	Ita	Cagiva
12	Agadez-Tahoua	In Gall-Tchin Tabaradene	198	Waldegard/Fenouil	Sue	Peugeot	De Pétri	Ita	Cagiva
13	Tahoua-Niamey	Tahoua-Talcho	222	Vatanen/Berglund	Fin	Peugeot	Mas Samora	Esp	Yamaha
14	Niamey-Gao	Mangaize-Gao	492	Shinozuka/Magne	Jap	Mitsubishi	Arcarons	Esp	Cagiva
15	Gao-Tombouctou	Gao-Tombouctou	412	Wambergue/Da Silva	Fra	Peugeot	Picard	Fra	Yamaha
16	Tombouctou-Nema	Tombouctou-Nema	674	Waldegard/Fenouil	Sue	Peugeot	De Pétri	Ita	Cagiva
17	Nema-Tidjikja	Ayoun el Atrous-Tidjikja	458	Ickx/Tarin	Bel	Lada	Mandelli	Ita	Gilera
18	Tidjikja-Kayes	Tidjikja-Goudron	205	Wambergue/Da Silva	Fra	Peugeot	Picard	Fra	Yamaha
18	Tidjikja-Kayes	Kiffa-Kayes	280	Wambergue/Da Silva	Fra	Peugeot	Picard	Fra	Yamaha
19	Kayes-Saint Louis	Tambacounda-Ranerou	200	Cowan/Delferrier	GB	Mitsubishi	Rahier	Bel	Suzuki
20	Saint Louis-Dakar	M'Boro-Lac Retba	40	Wambergue/Da Silva	Fra	Peugeot	Picco	Ita	Yamaha



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## • Overall scratch standings

Cl	Concurrents	Marques	Nat			
	<b>OVERALL CAR-TRUCK STANDINGS</b>					
1	VATANEN/BERGLUND	PEUGEOT	Fin	42	MANO/PEIGNE	TOYOTA Fra
2	WALDEGARD/FENOUIL	PEUGEOT	Sue	43	CADI/SUIRE	JEEP CHEROKEE Fra
3	AMBROSINO/GAURNGARTNER	PEUGEOT	Fra	44	DUPARD/BOCANDE	TOYOTA Fra
4	COWAN/DELARRIER	PEUGEOT	Fra	45	ISHIHARA/UCHIDA	NISSAN Jap
5	SHINOZUKA/MAGNE	PEUGEOT	Fra	46	COTEL	BUGGY Fra
6	RATET/VANTOUROUX	TOYOTA	Fra	47	GROINE/SALAUN/DE RESENDE	MERCEDES Fra
7	ICKX/TARIN	LADA	Bel	48	CASTERA/JULIEN	TOYOTA Fra
8	PORCAR/TOURINAN	NISSAN	Esp	49	WILLIAMSON/LOZE	TOYOTA Fra
9	RAYMONDIS/DESTAILLATS	RANGE ROVER	Fra	50	LA CAZE/DE BELABRE	TOYOTA Fra
10	MASUOKA/OLIGO	TOYOTA	Fra	51	SIREYJOL/REVERT	TOYOTA Fra
11	RIVIERE/LAFEUILLADE	TOYOTA	Fra	52	ASAI/AOYAGI	TOYOTA Jap
12	WAMBERGUE/DA SILVA	PEUGEOT	Fra	53	STRADIOTTO/FAVORO	TOYOTA Fra
13	PRIETO/JUNCOSA	NISSAN	Esp	54	TORRENS/MUNOZ	LAND ROVER Esp
14	GABIOT/BONDENET	TOYOTA	Fra	55	BOSONNET/MONCERE/BONNAIRE	MERCEDES Fra
15	EL ABDI/MARTIN	TOYOTA	Fra	56	VERSINO/DELAVERNE/GIMBRE	MERCEDES Fra
16	VILLA/DELFINO	PERLINI	Ita	57	PALLADINI/ANSALONI	MERCEDES Ita
17	DELADRIERE/RAEMDONCK	PROTO	Bel	58	FORONCELLI/MINELLI	SUZUKI Ita
18	HOUSSAT/DE SAULIEU	PERLINI	Fra	59	DE CRESCENZO/BERGAMASCHI	TOYOTA Ita
19	NOGUES/FAVRE	TOYOTA	Fra	60	BRAULT/LEVOIVENEL/GROUSSARD	MERCEDES Fra
20	BABLER/ORTIZ	NISSAN	Sui	61	MALGARA/TARTAGLIA	TOYOTA Ita
21	TARTARIN	TOYOTA	Fra	62	FORCHINI/PEZZOTTA	MERCEDES Ita
22	CHOMAT/GRALL	PEUGEOT	Fra	63	PETRE/POLAT	MITSUBISHI Fra
23	STRUGO/DUCOUTUMANY	NISSAN	Fra	64	GOTLIB/BARTHOLOM2	TOYOTA Bel
24	SAVOLDELLI/TRIPODI	LAND ROVER	Ita	65	MALFERIOL/COUILLAULT/CHAPELLE	MERCEDES Fra
25	KATAYAMA/YOKOKAWA	MITSUBISHI	Jap	66	SELGA/ROQUETA	SUZUKI Esp
26	SUGAWARA/SHIBATA	MITSUBISHI	Jap	67	TORRA/BOSH	SUZUKI Esp
27	DUBREUIL/LEPINOUX	TOYOTA	Fra	68	ZAMBETTI/ZANCHI	MERCEDES Ita
28	FAYETTE/RENAUD	TOYOTA	Fra	69	MITCHELLE/MARTINEZ	MITSUBISHI Fra
29	MAULE/JOLY	TOYOTA	Fra	70	TERMENS/DOMENECH	NISSAN Esp
30	MARREAU/MARREAU	MITSUBISHI	Fra	71	CHARLIAT/PERIER	MERCEDES Fra
31	SARRAZIN/TROUBLE	TOYOTA	Fra	72	BRUBACH/VOLABEL/CHAMBON	MERCEDES Fra
32	SALVATORE/GODET	MITSUBISHI	Fra	73	DELL'ANNA/DA RIN PUPPE	MERCEDES Ita
33	KAHANEK/HAVLIK/KRPEC	TATRA	Tch	74	TAILLE/GRIMAUD	LAND ROVER Fra
34	SERVIA/PUIG	RANGE ROVER	Esp	75	VONSOVSKY/ZALESKY/FANTA	LIAZ Tch
35	LOOMANS/THYS	MITSUBISHI	Fra	76	PEZZOTTA/MICOZZI	MERCEDES Ita
36	LOPRAIS/STACHURA/MUCK	TATRA	Tch	77	FILIPOVIC/KOPER	RANGE ROVER You
37	CABANIOLS/TREVILLOT	TOYOTA	Fra	78	LINATI/AMOR	NISSAN Esp
38	VISMARA/FOGAR	SUZUKI	Ita	79	ANDO/ANDO	TOYOTA Jap
39	ASAGA/ASAGA	TOYOTA	Jap	80	ETCHEBEST/BASILE/ORTEGA DIAZ	TATRA Fra
40	SMULEVICI/LENORMAND	MITSUBISHI	Fra	81	CHIAVASSA/CHARDIN	TOYOTA Fra
41	DELLI/ZOTTI/VILLEPREUX	MITSUBISHI	Fra	82	MARECHAL/BLAISOT/CHAUMONT	MERCEDES Fra
				83	LALEU/LEVIEUX/GAZEL	MERCEDES Fra
				84	LE BLOND/LAGIER/MONTANARI	MERCEDES Fra
				85	LOUP/DE RE	TOYOTA Fra
				86	OBEL/THOMAS/LADISLAV	LIAZ Fra
				87	DRION/GODELOUP/HELLIO	MERCEDES Fra

