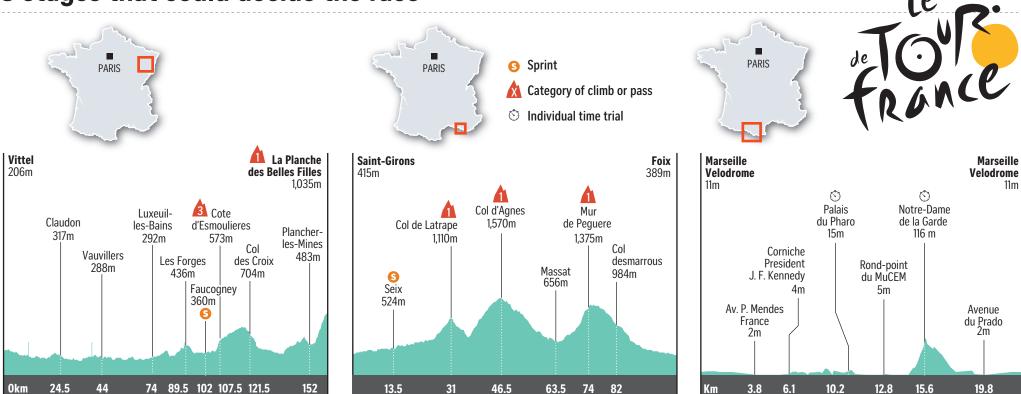
3 stages that could decide the race



STAGE 5: Vittel to La Planche des Belles Filles (160.5km)

The first set-piece summit finish on the short, brutal climb to a small ski station. The climb features inclines reaching 20 per cent. It is a simple equation: Those pursuing yellow must make an early mark here. If they lose even a few seconds, the pressure will be on.

STAGE 13: Saint-Girons to Foix (101km)

A dash across three first-cat climbs in just over 90km before a long descent into Foix. It is short enough to encourage some serious attacks. A break could prosper if they can make it over the final climb.

STAGE 20: Marseille (22.5km time trial)

Finishing in the Stade Velodrome with a guick flip round the Vieux Port, this is the last chance to change the standings but it is relatively short. If the battle is still close, this is where it will be decided.

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