



THIS IS MY MOMENT

Biniam Girmay is a 17 year old promising cyclist from the African country Eritrea. He dreams of one day riding the Tour de France, the biggest race in the world. Over 6 years, director Lieven Corthouts and Biniam himself film his evolving performances.

We get a rare insight in cycling in Africa and then in Biniam's efforts to be selected in a European pro team. More than 10,000 cyclists have competed in the Tour de France since 1903, but only six of them were black. Europe's visa procedures are a constant hassle. And once he marries in Eritrea and becomes a father, the distance of 6.000kms takes its toll.

Against all odds, Biniam climbs up the international rankings, to finally win his first 'Classic' in 2022 at the age of 21. Biniam becomes a cycling hero overnight and sets the example for the other African talents.

Will Biniam Girmay accomplish his dream to be selected for the Tour the France? Can he change cycling forever?

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