

THE BIG PICTURE

**NORTH YORKSHIRE**  
**CÔTE DE BUTTERTUBS**



This is Buttertubs Pass, which featured in Stage One of this year's Tour de France on 5 July. The climb is about 4km long. I took this on the steepest part, halfway up, where it's about 18% gradient. Huge crowds enveloped the riders. Jens Voight got a great reception when he came through ahead of the peloton (pictured). Officially it was reported that 10,000 people were on the pass; at the time, it felt far more than that. Many spectators had cycled up. **Steve Fleming**

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