



Jabal Al Akhdhar (الجبل الأخضر) (Green Mountain) (1435m)
(Tour of Oman)

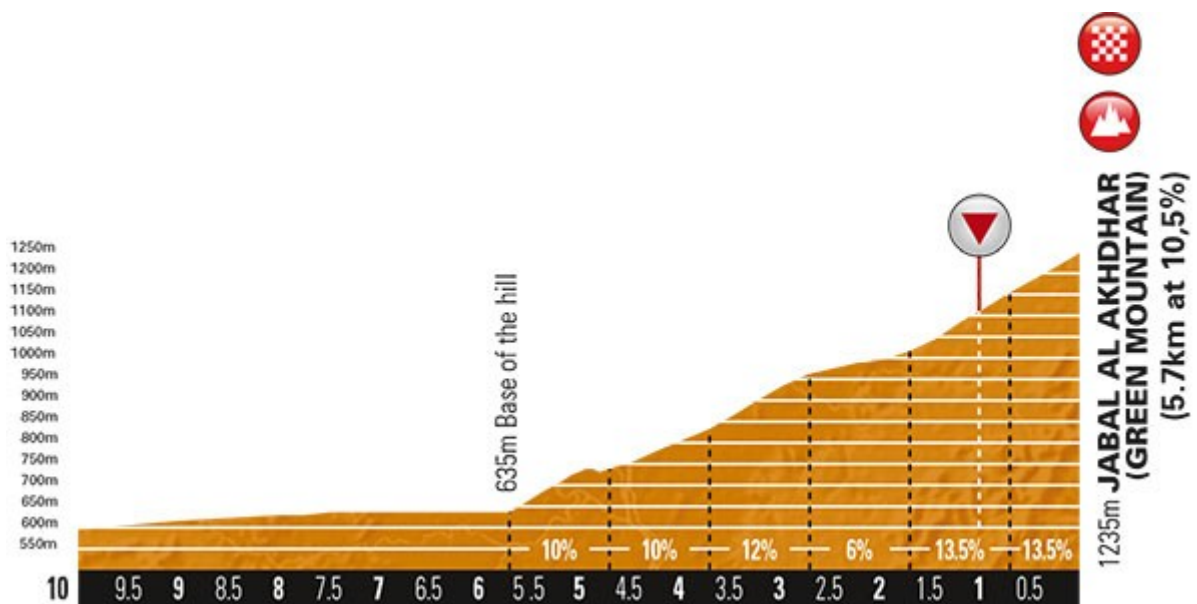


The globalization doesn't have only disadvantages. Since a few years, the international bunch has gone into winter quarters in the Arabian Peninsula. First in Qatar, than in Dubai and in the Sultanate of Oman.

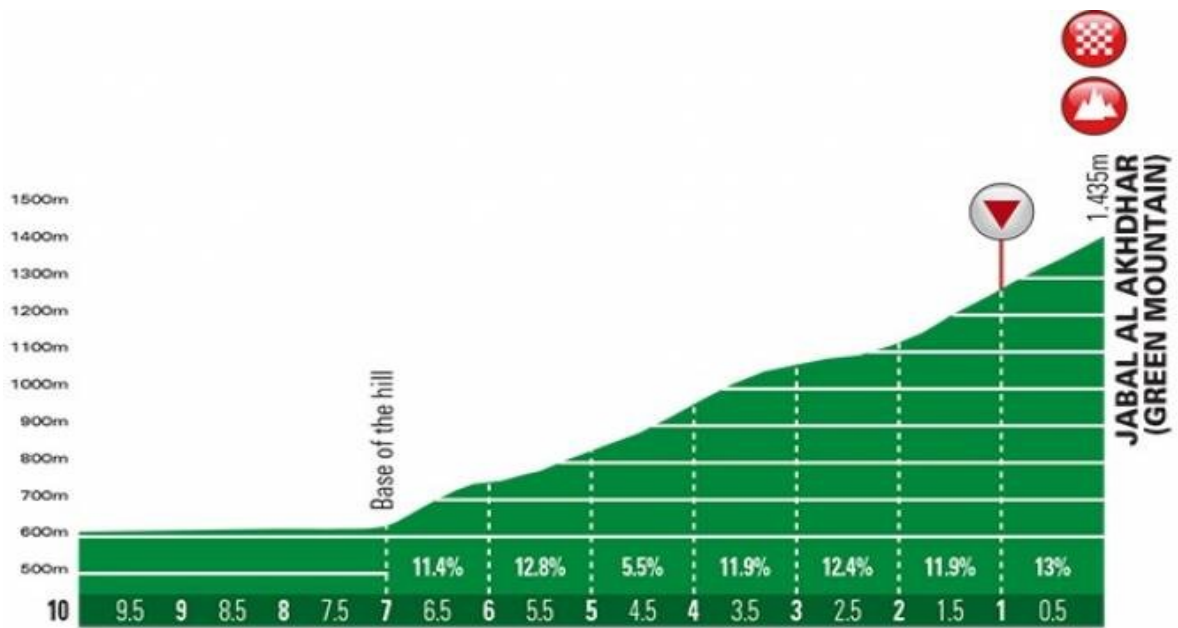
From our point of view, Oman has the advantage of being much more mountainous. The top of our « Green Mountain » (and of the country) peaks at 3000m.



Back to the Tour of Oman. It was created in 2010 and the short list of winners (Gesink, Froome 2x or Nibali in 2016) shows clearly the existence of a high-mountain stage. Unfortunately, the 3000m are not reached, but who knows : initially the climb was 6km long and ended at 1235m.



Then, thanks to some more leagues at 13%, the road reached 1435m. And the pictures show that the road is going higher. At the rate of 200m each year, we can hope to hit the target in a seven-year term.



The « Green Wall »

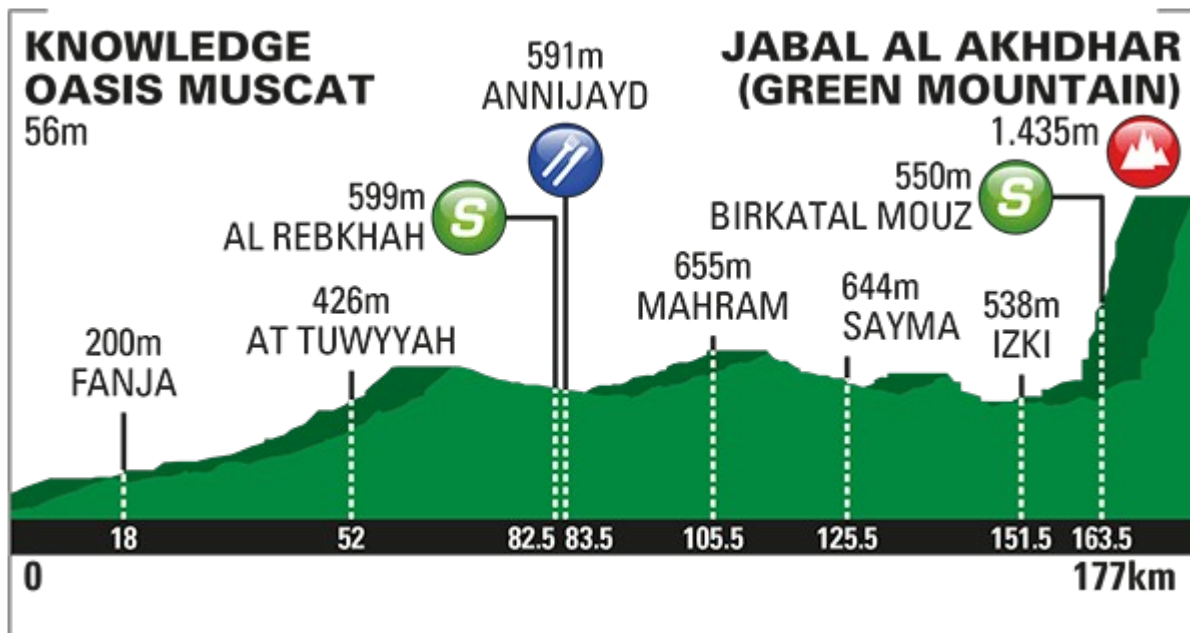




Map of the 4th stage 2016



Nibali at work



Profile 2016 (4th stage)

A few links :

Official website : <http://www.letour.fr/tour-of-oman/> <http://www.tourofoman.com/>
https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tour_d%27Oman ou https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tour_of_Oman
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