

DONOVEN FRANCIS.

Swedish-American elite gravel cyclist.
Building toward the WorldTour through elite gravel racing.

ATHLETE ARCHIVE: TEAM USA KIT AT THE UCI GRAVEL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Built in Texas. Forged in Sweden.

Donoven Francis grew up between Texas and Sweden, with Swedish and Cape Verdean heritage. He learned to ride on Swedish roads with his grandfather.

He trained through four years at Texas State University, completed his Communications degree in 2025, and then committed full time to his professional cycling ambition.



FAMILY AT THE START / ATHLETE ARCHIVE

CHARACTER / THE RIDER INSIDE THE TEAM

COACHABLE

Listens, learns and applies it.

RELENTLESS

Keeps fighting when racing gets difficult.

SELFLESS

Rides for the team and its objectives.

TEAM FIRST

Puts the group before himself.

Explore his story and Character

The work. The record.

390 W

CRITICAL POWER

473 W

FIVE-MINUTE POWER

703 W

ONE-MINUTE POWER

1,542 W

PEAK SPRINT

75.3 KG RACE WEIGHT / 120 G PER HOUR RACE FUELING

Performance profile published by athlete management. Full context: donovenfrancis.com/#engine.

2026 / UNBOUND 100

13TH OFFICIAL / 8TH ACROSS THE LINE

Crossed the line 8th Elite Men; later classified 13th in the official results after post-race result changes.

2026 / ARKANSAS HIGHLANDS

7TH

UCI Gravel World Series qualification.

2026 / JAILBREAK GRAVEL

3RD

100-mile podium.

19 SEP / GIRONA

63RD PRO MEN*

Puncture at 23 km, repaired; finish time 3:39:50.

*Girona classification was provisional when checked on 20 September. The River report describes top-25 contention before a puncture, not an official top-25 finish. Race reports and source links: donovenfrancis.com/races.

Halmstad. Confirmed.

26 SEPTEMBER 2026 / SATURDAY / HEAGÅRD, HALMSTAD

Donoven is confirmed for Gravel Grit 'n Grind's UCI Gravel World Series qualifier through direct organizer confirmation to management. Halmstad brings the European campaign back to Sweden.

The organizer lists a 10:00-10:40 CEST men's start window. Donoven's individual category start time is not verified here. Consult the official schedule for final details.

Race week, rider profile and post-race updates →

Official schedule and venue →

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Request rider information, discuss a partnership, arrange an interview or ask for approved photography. Management coordinates availability and image permissions.

Film, results and the complete rider story →

Sources and updates: donovenfrancis.com/races and gravelgritngrind.se/participants. Edition checked 24 September 2026. Archive photographs are not Halmstad race imagery.

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