Maybe not an epic ride for us, but certainly for Andy Schleck!

Today was one of those days where things just got better and better as it went on. We didn't have to travel too far to see the TdF stage; our hotel in Villar d'Arene is less than 10 miles from the base of the Galibier (an all-uphill 10 miles, to be sure!), and then

(OK, something bad happened here; I had 10 paragraphs typed in that all just got eaten during the posting process. May be related to the continuing internet issues I've been having here. I'll get things updated later, since it's time to get ready for tomorrow's Alpe d'Huez stage) --Mike--