



Following the tight and twisting confines of the streets of Monaco, Formula 1 teams and drivers this weekend take on a very different urban layout in the shape of the Baku City Circuit, the venue for Round Eight of the 2022 FIA Formula One World Championship: the Azerbaijan Grand Prix.

Baku presents a very different challenge to Monaco. While its Old Town tests drivers with the familiar twists and close barriers of a regular street circuit, the layout also features long, wide-open boulevards feeding into a number of 90° corners, offering plenty of overtaking opportunities. The length of the high-speed straight, however, pushes teams towards a low-downforce set-up, potentially making the streets of the Old Town section even more treacherous.

In the Drivers' Championship, third place in Monaco means Red Bull's Max Verstappen has a nine-point title lead over Ferrari's Charles Leclerc who finished fourth in the Principality. Victory in Monaco means last year's Baku winner, Sergio Pérez, is just six point behind Leclerc. In the Constructors' Championship, Red Bull, with 235 points, lead Ferrari by 36 points.

## BAKU CITY CIRCUIT

**Length of lap:** 6.003km

**Lap record:** 1:43.009 (Charles Leclerc, Ferrari, 2019)

**Start line/finish line offset:** 0.104km

**Total number of race laps:** 51

**Total race distance:** 306.049km

**Pitlane speed limits:** 80km/h in practice, qualifying, and the race

## DRS ZONES

**DRS 1**    **Detection** – SC2 line  
              **Activation** – 54m after Turn 2

**DRS 2**    **Detection** – At Turn 20  
              **Activation** – 347m after Turn 20

## CIRCUIT CHANGES

» There have been no changes of significance since the last event



# 2022 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX

## 2021 STATS

<b>WINNER:</b>	<b>S. Pérez (Red Bull)</b>
<b>PODIUM:</b>	<b>1. S. Pérez (Red Bull) 2. S. Vettel (Aston Martin) 3. P. Gasly (AlphaTauri)</b>
<b>FASTEST LAP:</b>	<b>M. Verstappen (Red Bull) 1:44.481</b>
<b>WINNING STRATEGY:</b>	<b>S. Pérez – C5 Soft/U, C3 Hard/N (13), C5 Soft/U (48)</b>
<b>POLE POSITION:</b>	<b>C. Leclerc (Ferrari) 1:41.218</b>

## TYRES



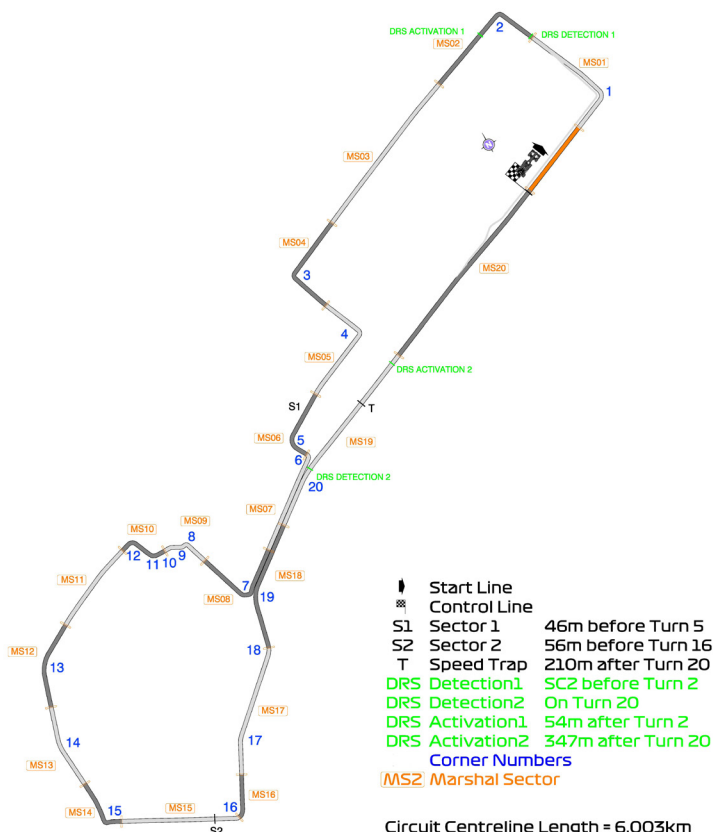
C3 - HARD

C4 - MEDIUM

C5 - SOFT

## FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX 2022 - Baku

### Media Map



## FAST FACTS

- » This is the fifth FIA Formula One World Championship Azerbaijan Grand Prix and the sixth grand prix to be held at the Baku City Circuit. The inaugural race here in 2016 was titled the European Grand Prix but since 2017 the event has carried its national appellation. It has featured as such each year save for 2020 when it was cancelled due to the pandemic.
- » Mercedes are the most successful team in Baku with three wins. Red Bull are next on the list with two wins. They are the only two teams to win at this circuit.
- » No driver has managed a repeat win in Baku. Nico Rosberg won in 2016, Daniel Ricciardo in 2017, Lewis Hamilton took victory the following year and Valtteri Bottas won in 2019. The most recent winner is Sergio Pérez who took the second win of his career in Baku last year.
- » In terms of points scored, Sebastian Vettel is the most successful driver at this track. The German has three podium finishes here (P2 in 2016 and P3 in 2019 with Ferrari and P2 last year with Aston Martin) and he finished fourth with Ferrari in 2017 and 2018. That record gives him a total of 75 points. Hamilton and Pérez are next on the list, tied on 63 points.
- » Vettel's record of three podiums is matched by Pérez. In addition to victory last year with Red Bull, the Mexican driver finished third for Force India in 2016 and 2018.
- » As with victory, no driver has started from pole position more than once in Baku. Rosberg started from P1 in 2016, followed by Hamilton, Vettel and Bottas. Charles Leclerc is the most recent pole-sitter here.
- » Fastest lap has also been posted by a different driver in each race here. Quickest in the race in 2016 was Rosberg, followed in 2017 by Vettel and then Bottas, Leclerc and Max Verstappen.
- » Ricciardo holds the record for winning from furthest back on the grid here. The Australian's 2017 victory was achieved from 10th on the grid. Pérez won after a P6 start last year. The race has been won from pole on just two occasions – 2016 (Rosberg) and 2019 (Bottas).
- » 2022 F1 rookie Zhou Guanyu has experience of the Baku City Circuit having competed here twice in the FIA Formula 2 Championship. In 2019 he retired from the Feature Race and finished 10th in the Sprint Race. In 2021 he finished third in the first Sprint, retired from the Feature Race and then finished 13th in the second Sprint.



## RACE STEWARDS BIOGRAPHIES



### **GARRY CONNELLY**

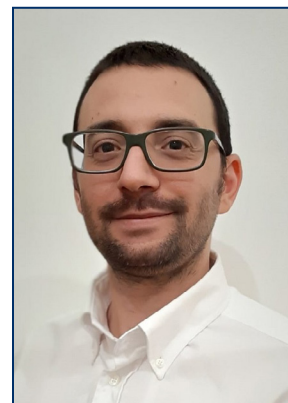
**CHAIRMAN, AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MOTOR SPORT SAFETY; FIA WMSC MEMBER, FIA SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Garry was instrumental in bringing the World Rally Championship to Australia in 1988 and served as Chairman of the Organising Committee, Board member and Clerk of Course of Rally Australia until December 2002. He has been an FIA Steward and FIA Observer since 1989, covering the FIA WRC, the FIA WTCC and the FIA Formula One World Championship. He is Chairman of the Australian Institute of Motor Sport Safety and director of the Australian Road Safety Foundation. He is a member of the FIA World Motor Sport Council, a member of the FIA Scientific Advisory Committee and FIA Environmental Delegate.

### **MATTEO PERINI**

**FIA STEWARD AND MEMBER OF AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF ITALY**

Matteo Perini began his motor sport career in 2005 and has been a National Steward in Italy since 2015. As one of the country's youngest National Stewards he has officiated in a number series including GT racing, F4 and TCR. His international experience began with stewarding roles in a variety of series. He has also acted as a permanent Steward in the F4 Italian Championship and from 2019 in the Formula Regional European Championship. He took part and completed the Global Pathway to become an FIA Steward and regularly acts as a Steward in Formula 1.



### **MIKA SALO**

**FORMER FORMULA 1, GT DRIVER**

Finnish racer Mika Salo competed in over 100 grands prix between 1994-2002. After junior success in Britain and Japan, Salo made his Formula 1 debut for Lotus at the last two rounds of the 1994 season. Over the next eight years the Finn drove for Tyrrell, Arrows, BAR, Ferrari, Sauber and Toyota. He twice finished on the podium for Ferrari and scored points for Toyota in the Japanese manufacturer's debut race. After calling time on his F1 career, Salo competed predominantly in sports cars, most notably racing in GT classes. He has GT2 victories at both Le Mans and Sebring to his name, and in 2007 won the GT class in ALMS.

### **DANIL SOLOMIN**

**NATIONAL STEWARD**

Danil Solomin has been involved with the organisation of the Azerbaijan Grand Prix since 2016, first as Event and Communications Supervisor ahead of the event and then on-event as Deputy Chief Marshal. In 2020 he became Marshals Recruitment and Trainings Coordinator for the event and during the race weekend in 2021 acted as Race Secretary for the grand prix. This year's event marks his debut as National Steward for the race at the Baku City Circuit.







## DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

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## CONSTRUCTORS' CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

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## FORMULA 1 TIMETABLE & FIA MEDIA SCHEDULE

### FRIDAY

Press Conference	11.30 - 13.30
Car Presentation	13.30 - 14.30
Practice session 1	15.00 - 16.00
Practice session 2	18.00 - 19.00

### SATURDAY

Press Conference	12.30 - 13.30
Practice session 3	15.00 - 16.00
Qualifying	18.00 - 19.00
Car Presentation	19:30 - 20.00

### SUNDAY

Race	15.00 - 17.00
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