



The season's penultimate round is a Sprint weekend in Brazil, home of the São Paulo Grand Prix, Round 21 of the 2022 FIA Formula One World Championship.

While one of the shortest circuits on the calendar, the Autódromo José Carlos Pace – usually abbreviated to the name of the Interlagos suburb in which it is located – features a disproportionately long full-throttle section, and good overtaking potential at the end of both DRS zones. Balancing the need for speed against the high downforce demands of the looping infield section is a perennial problem in São Paulo.

With both Championships decided, focus moves down the order. In the Drivers' Championship, Sergio Pérez is just five points ahead of Charles Leclerc in the race for second, while in the Constructors' Championship, Haas and AlphaTauri are separated by a point in the battle for P8; Alfa Romeo and Aston Martin are four points apart chasing P6, and there are seven points between Alpine and McLaren battling for P4. Ferrari in P2 are 40 points clear of Mercedes – but the Silver Arrows have closed the gap by 27 points over the past two rounds. With extra points on offer this weekend, it's all to play for.

AUTÓDROMO JOSÉ CARLOS PACE

Length of lap: 4.309km

Lap record: 1:10.540 (Valtteri Bottas, Mercedes, 2018)

Start line/finish line offset: 0.030km

Total number of race laps: 71

Total race distance: 305.909km

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

DRS ZONES

- DRS 1** **Detection** – Apex of Turn 2
Activation – 30m after Turn 3
- DRS 2** **Detection** – 30m after Turn 13
Activation 2 – 160m after Turn 15

CIRCUIT CHANGES

- » At the end of the run-off area in Turn 1 a section of modular concrete barrier and tyre barriers has been installed.
- » Between Turns 6 and 7, on the left side, a new guardrail has been installed in the run-off area.
- » Following the creation of a new public area between Turns 10 and 14, new guardrails and fencing have been installed.
- » On the right side of the Main Straight new surface grooves have been cut to mitigate aquaplaning.

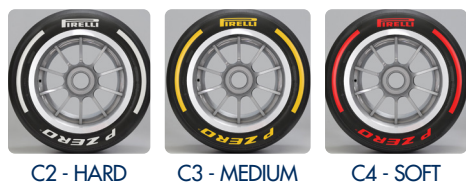


2022 SÃO PAULO GRAND PRIX

2021 STATS

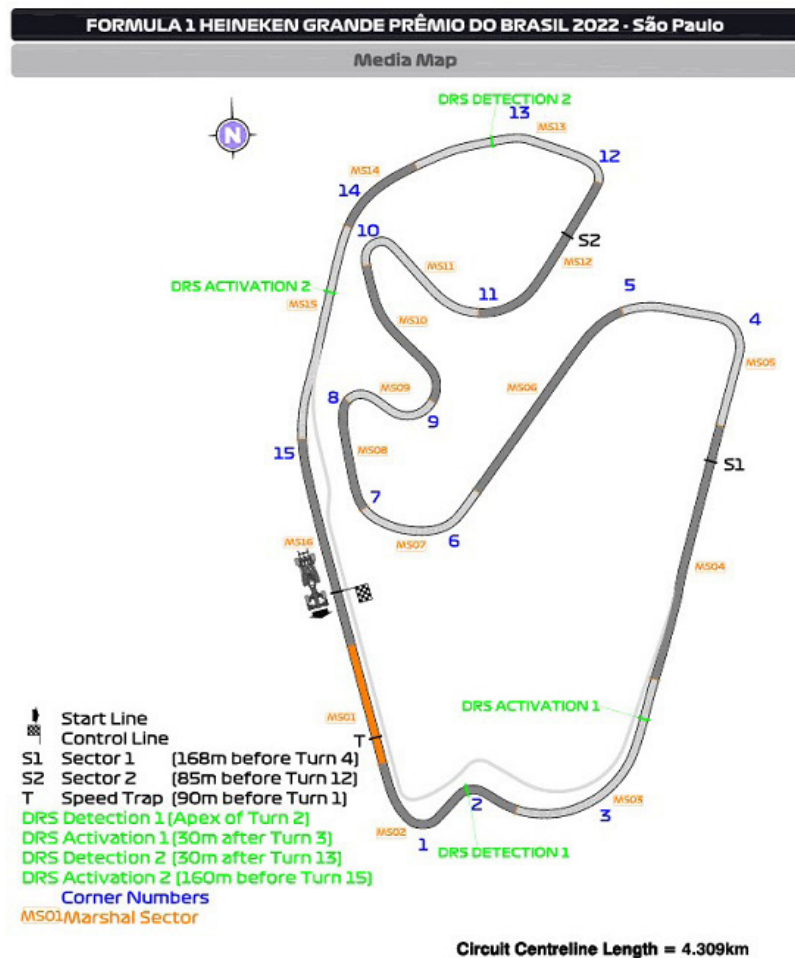
WINNER:	L. Hamilton (Mercedes)
PODIUM:	1. L. Hamilton (Mercedes) 2. M. Verstappen (Red Bull) 3. V. Bottas (Mercedes)
FASTEST LAP:	S. Pérez (Red Bull) 1:11.010
WINNING STRATEGY:	L. Hamilton – C3 Med/N, C2 Hard/N (26), C2 Hard/N (43)
QUALIFYING FIRST PLACE:	L. Hamilton (Mercedes) 1:07.934
SPRINT QUALIFYING POLE:	V. Bottas

TYRES



FAST FACTS

- » This is the second São Paulo Grand Prix and the 49th round of the World Championship to be held in Brazil. Following a non-championship race held in 1972, the first World Championship Brazilian Grand Prix was held in 1973. It was a permanent fixture on the calendar until the 2020 race was cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. The race returned last year as the São Paulo Grand Prix.
- » Two venues have held the races. The Jacarepaguá circuit in Rio de Janeiro hosted in 1978 and between 1981 and 1989. The rest have been held at Interlagos, first on a c.7.9km layout and, since 1990, on the cut-down c.4.3km layout used today.
- » Alain Prost is the most successful driver at the Brazilian Grand Prix with six victories, while Michael Schumacher is the most successful at Interlagos with four.
- » McLaren are the most successful team in Brazil with 12 victories, one ahead of Ferrari. Ferrari, however have the most wins at Interlagos, with nine to McLaren's eight. McLaren's 100th victory came at this circuit, Ayrton Senna winning his home grand prix in 1993.
- » There are three Interlagos winners in the current field. Sebastian Vettel and Lewis Hamilton have won the race three times. Vettel won in 2010 and 2013 for Red Bull, and took Ferrari's most recent win, in 2017. Lewis Hamilton won for Mercedes in 2016, 2018 and last year. Max Verstappen won for Red Bull in 2019.
- » While Interlagos is considered an easier circuit for overtaking, it also strongly favours a front-row start. Since 1990, the race has been won from the front row 24 times out of the 31 races, and from pole position on 14 occasions.
- » Hamilton enters his 309th Grand Prix this weekend, moving him ahead of Schumacher and level with Jenson Button, fourth on the all-time list. Rubens Barrichello (326), Kimi Räikkönen (353) and Fernando Alonso (357) are ahead.
- » Both Pierre Gasly and Carlos Sainz had their first podium finish at this track, finishing second and third respectively in 2019 – though Sainz's position and trophy were delivered after the fact.
- » This is the sixth F1 event featuring a Sprint session and Interlagos is the first venue to hold two. The Emilia Romagna and Austrian Grands Prix hosted Sprints earlier this season, with the British, Italian and São Paulo Grands Prix staging Sprints in 2021. Max Verstappen is F1's leading sprinter to date, having won in Britain, Emilia-Romagna and Austria. Valtteri Bottas has won the other two.



RACE STEWARDS BIOGRAPHIES



TIM MAYER

FIA STEWARD, ORGANISER OF THE FIA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE USA

As the son of McLaren founder Teddy Mayer, Tim Mayer grew up around motor sport. He organised IndyCar races internationally from 1992-98 and produced international TV for multiple series. In 1998 he became CART's Senior VP for Racing Operations and in 2003 became COO of IMSA, operating multiple series, including ALMS. In 2009 he left IMSA, working independently for several US series and coordinating US motorsports with the FIA. He was elected an Independent Director of ACCUS and US FIA Delegate, responsible for World Championship events in the US. He Stewards for the FIA in F1, WEC and the World Rallycross Championship.

MATHIEU REMMERIE

F2 & F3 STEWARD, FORMULA E STEWARD, MEMBER OF THE RACB NATIONAL SPORT & APPEAL COURT

Mathieu Remmerie began his professional career as the Sporting and Administration Manager at the Royal Automobile Club of Belgium. He represented the Belgian ASN in several FIA sporting commissions and has been a National Steward in Belgium since 2014. His international experience began shortly after this, officiating in Formula 2, Formula 3 and Formula E. He is a alumnus of the new Global Pathway for FIA Stewards, one of the first members of the programme to graduate through to Formula 1.



DEREK WARWICK

FORMER FORMULA 1 DRIVER AND WORLD SPORTSCAR CHAMPION

Derek Warwick raced in 146 grands prix from 1981 to 1993 for Toleman, Renault, Brabham, Arrows and Lotus. He scored 71 points and achieved four podium finishes, with two fastest laps. He was World Sportscar Champion in 1992 driving for Peugeot and also won Le Mans in the same year. He raced Jaguar sportscars in 1986 and 1991 and competed in the BTCC between 1995 and 1998 as well as a further appearance at the Le Mans in 1996, driving for the Courage Competition team. Warwick is a frequent FIA driver steward and is also a past President of the British Racing Drivers' Club.

ROBERTO PUPO MORENO

FORMER FORMULA 1 AND CART DRIVER

After graduating from karting in Rio de Janeiro, Roberto Moreno moved to England and in 1980 won the British Formula Ford 1600 championship and the Formula Ford Festival. In 1982 he won the Macau Grand Prix and competed in Formula 3 and Formula Atlantic before moving to Formula 2. He then stepped up to International Formula 3000 and won the 1988 title. He competed in several grands prix in the early '80s but moved to F1 full time in 1989. In all he entered 75 grands prix and made 41 starts for a variety of teams including, Benetton, Jordan and Forti. In 1995 he switched to CART where he competed until 2008, with a best finish of third overall in 2000.





2022 FIA FORMULA ONE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

	BAHRAIN	SAUDI ARABIA	AUSTRALIA	E.-ROMAGNA	MIAMI	SPAIN	MONACO	AZERBAIJAN	CANADA	GREAT BRITAIN	AUSTRIA	FRANCE	HUNGARY	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	ITALY	SINGAPORE	JAPAN	UNITED STATES	MEXICO CITY	SÃO PAULO	ABU DHABI	POINTS
1 M. VERSTAPPEN	19	25 1	NC	S1 F1	F1	1	15 3	25 1	25 1	6 7	27 S1 F2	25 1	25 1	26 F1	26 F1	25 1	6 7	25 1	25 1	25 1			416
2 S. PÉREZ	18	12 4	2	S3 2	2	4	19 F2	25 1	19 F2	NC	18 2	4 S5 NC	12 4	10 5	18 2	10 5	25 F6	1	18 2	12 4	15 3		280
3 C. LECLERC	26	19	26	15	18		12	25	10	12	32		8	8	15	18	18	15	15	8			275
4 G. RUSSELL	12	10	15	12	10	15	10	15	12		17	15	15	12	18	15		4	11	13			231
5 L. HAMILTON	15	1	12		8	10	4	12	15	16	16	18	19		12	10	2	10	18	18			216
6 C. SAINZ	18	15		5	15	12	18	19	25		5	11	12	15	4	12	15			10			212
7 L. NORRIS	6	10	19		4	9	2	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	12	1	8	2				111
8 E. OCON	6	8	6		4	6	1	8		13	4	2	6	2		11	NC		4				82
9 F. ALONSO	2	9	NC	17	NC	11	9	7	7	9	5	10	6	8	5	9	NC	NC	6	6			71
10 V. BOTTAS	8	6	NC	4	12	6	8	2	6	NC		11	14	20	NC	NC	13	11	15	NC	10		47
11 S. VETTEL			NC	4		1	8		2			1	4			4	8	4					36
12 D. RICCIARDO	14	NC	6	S6	18	13	12	13	8	11	13	2	2	9	9	15	15	17	NC	10	5	11	35
13 K. MAGNUSSEN	10	2		3					1	6		8	NC	16	16	15	16	12	14	2			24
14 P. GASLY	5	9	14	S8	9	16	17	NC	17	10	S7	8	NC	16	15	16	12	14	9	17			23
15 L. STROLL	NC	8	9		12	NC	13	11	5	14	NC	15	12	12	9	11	8	10	18	14	11		13
16 M. SCHUMACHER	11	DNS	13		17	15	14	NC	14	NC	8	6	15	14	17	13	12	13	17	15	16		12
17 Y. TSUNODA	4	8	NC	15	6	7	12	10	17	13	NC	14	NC	13	NC	14	NC	13	10	NC			12
18 Z. GUANYU	1	10	11		15	NC	NC	16	NC	8	NC	14	16	13	14	16	10	NC	16	12	13		6
19 A. ALBON	13	14	10		11	9	18	NC	12	13	NC	12	13	17	10	12		NC	NC	13	12		4
21 N. LATIFI	16	NC	16		16	14	16	15	15	16	12	NC	NC	18	18	18	15	NC	9	17	18		2
20 N. DE VRIES																2							2
22 N. HÜLKENBERG	17	12														9							0



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CONSTRUCTORS' CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

	BAHRAIN	SAUDI ARABIA	AUSTRALIA	E.-ROMAGNA	MIAMI	SPAIN	MONACO	AZERBAIJAN	CANADA	GREAT BRITAIN	AUSTRIA	FRANCE	HUNGARY	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	ITALY	SINGAPORE	JAPAN	UNITED STATES	MEXICO CITY	SÃO PAULO	ABU DHABI	POINTS
1 ORACLE RED BULL RACING	18	37	18	58	38	44	40	44	25	24	31	37	35	44	36	34	31	43	37	40			696
2 SCUDERIA FERRARI	44	34	26	20	33	12	30		29	37	38	11	20	23	19	30	33	15	15	18			487
3 MERCEDES AMG PETRONAS F1 TEAM	27	11	27	12	18	25	14	27	27	16	33	33	34	12	30	25	2	14	29	31			447
4 BWT ALPINE F1 TEAM	8	8	6		4	8	6	7	10	10	14	12	6	16	10			18	6	4			153
5 MCLAREN F1 TEAM	14	6	18	22		4	9	6		8	8	10	6		6		22	1	8	8			146
6 ALFA ROMEO RACING ORLEN	9	0	4	12	6	8	2		10											1			53
7 ASTON MARTIN ARAMCO COGNIZANT F1 TEAM	12	13	12	5	1		1	8	1	2		1	1	4	1		12	8	4				49
8 HAAS F1 TEAM	10	2		3						5	14	14								2			36
9 SCUDERIA ALPHATAURI	4	4	2	6		1	10						2		4	1		1					35
10 WILLIAMS RACING	13	14	10		2								1				2						8



FORMULA 1 TIMETABLE & FIA MEDIA SCHEDULE

THURSDAY

Press Conference 13.30 - 14.35

FRIDAY

Car Presentation 11.00 - 12.00

Practice session 1 12.30 - 13.30

Qualifying 16.00 - 17.00

SATURDAY

Press Conference 10.00 - 11.00

Practice session 2 12.30 - 13.30

Sprint 16.30 - 17.00

SUNDAY

Race 15.00 - 17.00

