

**Yas Marina Circuit**  
5.281 KM Start/Finish Offset  
0.115 KM

**SAT. SPRINT RACE 1** Grid set by reversing Top 10 of Q. Results >> 23 LAPS >> 121.348 KM 45 min.  
**SPRINT RACE 2** Grid set by reversing Top 10 of SR1 Results >> 23 LAPS >> 121.348 KM 45 min.  
**SUN. FEATURE RACE** Grid set by Qualifying Results >> 33 LAPS >> 174.158 KM 60 min.

**WHEN TO WATCH**

ALL TIMES LOCAL (GMT +4)

**FRIDAY 10 DECEMBER**

**11:35 Practice Session** 45 min.  
**18:30 Qualifying Session** 30 min.  
Press Conference\*

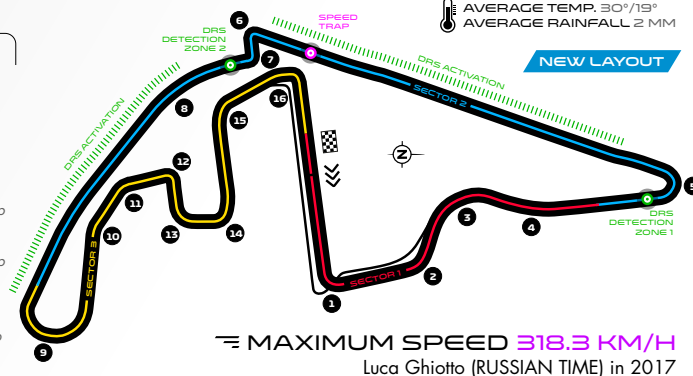
**SATURDAY 11 DECEMBER**

**12:20 Sprint Race 1** 23 laps • 45 min. +1 Lap  
**13:30 Press Conference\***  
**18:45 Sprint Race 2** 23 laps • 45 min. +1 Lap  
**19:55 Press Conference\***

**SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER**

**13:00 Feature Race** 33 laps • 60 min. +1 Lap  
**14:50 Press Conference\***

\*Note: You can join the Press Conference via Zoom upon request.



**LAP RECORD\*** 1:47.181 (186.547 KM/H)  
Artem Markelov (RUSSIAN TIME) in 2017

**2019 POLE POSITION\*** 1:49.751 (182.179 KM/H)  
Sérgio Sette Câmara (DAMS)

**COMPOUND ALLOCATION**



**2019 FEATURE RACE TYRE WINNING STRATEGY**  
6 laps Supersoft >> 25 laps Soft  
Sérgio Sette Câmara (DAMS) from P1 Grid Position

**THE STORY SO FAR**

After seven frenetic rounds of racing, it all comes down this. The 2021 FIA Formula 2 drivers' Champion will be decided in the final round of racing at the Yas Marina Circuit. Current Championship leader Oscar Piastri extended his advantage in the penultimate round of the season at the Jeddah Corniche Circuit with a fourth successive pole, and a third successive Feature Race win, helping to seal the Teams' Championship for PREMA Racing.

Oscar Piastri's unshaken string of poles continued in Jeddah, with the Alpine protégé sealing pole at the brand-new track in Friday's Qualifying session. The young Australian's fourth consecutive pole makes him only the second driver, after Charles Leclerc, in the history of Formula 2 to achieve such a feat.

Saturday saw DAMS' Marcus Armstrong clinch a long-awaited maiden victory in Sprint Race 1, with the Kiwi driver lunging ahead of reverse polesitter Liam Lawson at the start of the race. Lawson came home second, to take his third podium of the season ahead of his Hitech Grand Prix teammate Jüri Vips, who finished on the final step of the rostrum.

Piastri edged ever closer to the title in Sprint Race 2, sealing his fourth victory of the season. Reverse pole sitter Jehan Daruvala dominated the early stages of the race but was found to have left the track and gained an advantage while defending P1 from Piastri, for which he was later handed a five second penalty. Meanwhile, Trident's Bent Viscaal recovered from a slow launch off the line to claim his second podium ahead of Robert Shwartzman, who came home third and moved up into second in the Championship standings.

Sunday saw Piastri collect his second win of the weekend in a shortened Feature Race

in Jeddah, which was red flagged and not restarted following a lengthy pre-race delay and two collisions. The first red flag came after an incident between Théo Pourchaire and Enzo Fittipaldi on the started grid, after the Frenchman stalled, with the Brazilian unable to avoid the stopped car. Both drivers were immediately attended by the medical team and were safely extricated from their cars. Once the track was cleared, the race resumed, but after just five laps, another incident between Olli Caldwell and Guilherme Samaia brought out a second red flag. Piastri, who had been



leading before the red flag claimed the victory, ahead of teammate Shwartzman and Campos Racing's Ralph Boschung. The PREMA Racing duo's podium sealed the Teams' Championship for the Italian outfit, making them the first two-time Teams' Champions in the history of Formula 2.

Unfortunately, Fittipaldi is unable to take part in this week's race weekend, having been injured in Sunday's starting grid incident. Charouz Racing Systems have called upon Richard Verschoor to step into car #14 in place of the Brazilian.

Jake Hughes will drive for HWA RACELAB again in the final round of the season at Yas Marina, with the British driver replacing American Logan Sargeant in car #22.

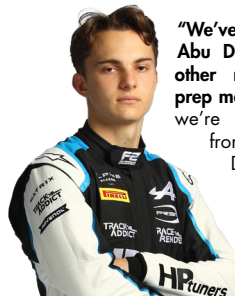
**THE CHALLENGERS**

Following his two wins in Jeddah, PREMA Racing's Oscar Piastri (213.5) has extended his lead at the top of the Championship. Robert Shwartzman (162) moves up into second place, ahead of UNI-Virtuosi's Guanyu Zhou (149). Carlin's Dan Ticktum remains in fourth ahead of ART Grand Prix's Théo Pourchaire (124).

PREMA Racing (375.5) were crowned Teams' Champions in Jeddah, meanwhile Carlin (235.5) extended their lead to third-placed UNI-Virtuosi (221). Hitech Grand Prix (209) are fourth ahead of ART Grand Prix (174) in fifth.

**FROM THE GRID**

Oscar Piastri / PREMA Racing



still in the same amount of prep in the sim. It's a slightly different layout compared to previous years, so the sim is quite important to get used to those changes.

"I think the layout changes this year will be a bit better, in particular under the hotel section. I think previously it was quite stop start and not very flowing. Hopefully now with some of these changes it's a little bit better through there. I think the changes before the back straight, the new Turn 5, will allow a few different lines so we can escape the dirty air a bit onto that back straight which will be the main overtaking spot.

"We've prepared for Abu Dhabi like every other race, with sim prep mainly. Obviously, we're going straight from Jeddah to Abu Dhabi, so we had to do it all in one go so it's not quite as fresh as most of the tracks, but it's

"Looking at previous years, tyre management seems to be key. We're on slightly harder compounds than previously so hopefully that makes it a little bit easier. Also, the layout changes are going to change the amount of demand a little bit. I think with the higher speed Turn 9, the new banked long corner, I think that will put quite a bit more stress on the front right tyre.

"I think the main overtaking zone will be Turn 6, at the end of the first straight. With the new changes for Turn 5 it should make following a little bit easier through that section now. There are also possibly some different lines into Turn 5, so you could overtake into the corner but considering you've got a massive straight with DRS afterwards probably not the smartest idea.

"My hopes and expectations for Abu Dhabi is that we leave with a big trophy from the Feature Race and a big trophy from the Championship. The goal is to win the Championship. That's the hope and the expectation really. We've come this far and led the Championship for a while, so the aim is to seal the Championship and leave Formula 2 on a high!"

**STAT PACK**

- PREMA Racing became the first ever two-time Teams Champions in Jeddah.
- At 5.281 KM, Yas Marina Circuit is the second shortest track on the 2021 Formula 2 calendar.
- Oscar Piastri became the first driver in the history of Formula 2 to win three consecutive Feature Races, after taking victory on Sunday in Jeddah.

- Piastri's fourth successive pole in Jeddah also makes him only the second driver in the history of Formula 2 to score three or more successive poles. The other was Charles Leclerc, who had an unbroken run of six pole positions in 2017.



**TYRE TALK**

MARIO ISOLA (PIRELLI HEAD OF F1 AND CAR RACING) SAYS:

"Yas Marina is well-known to the Formula 2 teams and many of the drivers, but they will all need to adapt to the new challenge posed by the changes that have been made to the circuit layout. Several of the corners are now faster than before and we would expect this to increase the lateral forces being put through the tyres. We will be once more bringing the P Zero Yellow medium and P Zero Purple supersoft tyres: the same as in the previous rounds in Sochi and Jeddah. Another consideration is that this will be the

first time that teams have run the 18-inch tyres in Abu Dhabi, so there will be some learning to do all around the track. The other difference to past years is that the feature race will be held in the heat of Sunday lunchtime rather than on Saturday night, and so track temperatures will obviously be much higher. We've seen some great F2 races in Abu Dhabi in the past, and we're looking forward to giving out the 'Pirelli Driver of the Year' trophy at the prize-giving ceremony that marks the end of the season."



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## 2021 ENTRY LIST

ON-BOARD CAMERAS

		1		Robert Shwartzman	SHW	
		2		Oscar Piastri	PIA	
		3		Guanyu Zhou	ZHO	
		4		Felipe Drugovich	DRU	
		5		Dan Ticktum	TIC	
		6		Jehan Daruvala	DAR	
		7		Liam Lawson	LAW	
		8		Jüri Vips	VIP	
		9		Christian Lundgaard	LUN	
		10		Théo Pourchaire	POU	
		11		Jack Doohan	DOO	
		12		Clément Novalak	NOV	
		14		Richard Verschoor	VER	
		15		Guilherme Samaia	SAM	
		16		Roy Nissany	NIS	
		17		Marcus Armstrong	ARM	
		20		Olli Caldwell	CAL	
		21		Ralph Boschung	BOS	
		22		Jake Hughes	HUG	
		23		Alessio Deledda	DEL	
		24		Bent Viscaal	VIS	
		25		Marino Sato	SAT	

## SEASON STATS

# 2

In Jeddah, Oscar Piastri became only the second driver to collect two wins in one race weekend. The first was Jüri Vips, who won Sprint Race 2 and the Feature Race in Baku.

# 15

Ralph Boschung's maiden Formula 2 podium in Jeddah took Campos Racing to a total of 15 career podiums in the second tier.

# 16

The first seven rounds of the year have produced sixteen different podium sitters, and ten race winners.

## 2021 CLASSIFICATIONS AFTER 20/23 RACES

### DRIVERS' STANDINGS

POS.	DRIVER	FEATURE*	SPRINT*	PTS	SHUFFLE
1	Oscar Piastri <b>ROOKIE</b>	3	2	213.5	=
2	Robert Shwartzman	2	1	162	+1
3	Guanyu Zhou	2	1	149	-1
4	Dan Ticktum	2	1	139.5	=
5	Théo Pourchaire <sup>R</sup>	1	1	124	=
6	Jüri Vips	1	1	116	=
7	Jehan Daruvala	1	1	96	=
8	Liam Lawson <sup>R</sup>	1	1	93	=
9	Felipe Drugovich			72	=
10	Richard Verschoor <sup>R</sup>	1	1	55	=
11	Christian Lundgaard			50	=
12	Ralph Boschung			47.5	=
13	Marcus Armstrong	1	1	43	+1
14	Bent Viscaal <sup>R</sup>			34	+1
15	David Beckmann <sup>R</sup>			32	-2
16	Roy Nissany			16	=
17	Lirim Zendeli <sup>R</sup>			13	=
18	Jake Hughes <sup>R</sup>			8	=
19	Jack Doohan <sup>R</sup>			6	←
20	Enzo Fittipaldi <sup>R</sup>			2	+3
21	Marino Sato			1	-2
22	Matteo Nannini <sup>R</sup>			1	-2
23	Jack Aitken			0	-2
24	Guilherme Samaia			0	-2
25	Alessio Deledda <sup>R</sup>			0	-1
26	Olli Caldwell <sup>R</sup>			0	←
27	Gianluca Petecof <sup>R</sup>			0	-2
28	Logan Sargeant <sup>R</sup>			0	←
29	Clément Novalak <sup>R</sup>			0	←

### TEAMS' STANDINGS

POS.	TEAM	FEATURE*	SPRINT*	PTS	SHUFFLE
1	PREMA Racing	3	4	375.5	🏆
2	Carlin	3	1	235.5	=
3	UNI-Virtuosi	2	1	221	=
4	Hitech Grand Prix	1	2	209	=
5	ART Grand Prix	1	1	174	=
6	MP Motorsport	1	1	74	=
7	DAMS	1	1	59	+1
8	Campos Racing			54.5	-1
9	Trident			35	+1
10	Charouz Racing System			27	-1
11	HWA RACELAB			9	=

### MOST IMPROVED



**ENZO FITTIPALDI**  
Charouz Racing System  
**+3 PLACES**  
gained in the drivers' standings after Round 7 (Jeddah).

## 2021 SEASON RECAP

	RD1	RD2	RD3	RD4	RD5	RD6	RD7	RD8
	26-27-28 March 	20-21-22 May 	04-05-06 June 	16-17-18 July 	10-11-12 September 	24-25-26 September 	03-04-05 December 	10-11-12 December 
POLE POSITION	Guanyu Zhou UNI-Virtuosi	Théo Pourchaire ART Grand Prix	Liam Lawson Hitech Grand Prix	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	.
SPRINT RACE 1 WINNER	Liam Lawson Hitech Grand Prix	Guanyu Zhou UNI-Virtuosi	Robert Shwartzman PREMA Racing	Robert Shwartzman PREMA Racing	Théo Pourchaire ART Grand Prix	Dan Ticktum Carlin	Marcus Armstrong DAMS	.
FASTEST LAP	Lirim Zendeli MP Motorsport	Jüri Vips Hitech Grand Prix	Théo Pourchaire ART Grand Prix	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Théo Pourchaire ART Grand Prix	Théo Pourchaire ART Grand Prix	Robert Shwartzman PREMA Racing	.
FASTEST LAP BONUS POINTS	Lirim Zendeli MP Motorsport	Jüri Vips Hitech Grand Prix	Théo Pourchaire ART Grand Prix	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Théo Pourchaire ART Grand Prix	Théo Pourchaire ART Grand Prix	Robert Shwartzman PREMA Racing	.
SPRINT RACE 2 WINNER	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Dan Ticktum Carlin	Jüri Vips Hitech Grand Prix	Richard Verschoor MP Motorsport	Jehan Daruvala Carlin	RACE CANCELLED		.
FASTEST LAP	Ralph Boschung Campos Racing	Robert Shwartzman PREMA Racing	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	Oscar Piastri PREMA Racing	.
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