

2026 Monaco Grand Prix - Preview

Hinwil, 2 June 2026 – Audi Revolut F1 Team heads to the iconic streets of Monaco as Formula One kicks off the European leg of the calendar. Following two Sprint Races on the trot, the team prepares for a regular weekend as it arrives in the Principality looking forward to another battle within the highly competitive midfield. Precision and confidence will be key across the weekend, around one of the most demanding yet scenic circuits on the calendar.

The Monaco Grand Prix also marks the debut of Audi Revolut F1 Team's brand-new European hospitality unit. Set against the backdrop of Monte Carlo, this trackside base will provide a new home away from home for the team, as well as an iconic facility for partners and guests.

Audi Driver Development Programme inductee, Freddie Slater, will also be back on track this weekend, as Formula 3 returns from a prolonged break after its opening round in Melbourne.

Allan McNish, Racing Director: "Every race we complete is a step forward – we are still a young team and there is a lot of work we have to do in every aspect, from performance, to reliability, to operations. Our main objective this weekend is to keep building up in what is one of the most demanding weekends of the year. Monaco is a unique challenge, of course: it requires complete confidence from team and drivers from the first lap onwards. It will be another opportunity for us to keep learning, keep improving and continue moving in the right direction as a team. This race also marks the start of the European season, with our new team hospitality making its debut in the paddock this weekend. A lot of work has gone into that, and we are all looking forward to experiencing it."

Nico Hulkenberg (Car 27): "Monaco is probably the most iconic race weekend on the calendar, on and off the track. For me, it's also a bit of a home race, having my family and friends around makes it truly special. The challenge here is unique: you need to find your rhythm from the very first lap, because there's no room for error and no real opportunity to make up for mistakes. The midfield is extremely close, so nailing qualifying will be crucial. Monaco can surprise you but that's exactly what makes it so special."

Gabriel Bortoleto (Car 5): "I'm really looking forward to racing in Monaco again. It's one of those circuits every driver wants to do well at, for the history and the driving challenge it represents, and the atmosphere is always special. The spirits within the team remain high and it's something we can build on for this event. Monaco is all about confidence, precision and getting everything right across the weekend, so we'll be focused on putting together a clean run of sessions and making the most of every opportunity."

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About Audi Revolut F1 Team

Audi Revolut F1 Team is the official factory team of Audi, as the brand enters the FIA Formula 1 World Championship for the first time in 2026. This project, in which Audi will create its own hybrid drive system ('power unit') developed in Germany, represents the ultimate expression of the manufacturer's 'Vorsprung durch Technik' philosophy and embodies a long-term commitment to compete at the pinnacle of motorsport with the clear objective of challenging for world championships by 2030. Audi Revolut F1 Team is based in three locations: the power unit is developed by Audi Formula Racing GmbH at the Audi Competence Center Motorsport in Neuburg, Germany; the chassis is engineered and race operations are managed from the state-of-the-art facilities of Audi Motorsport AG in Hinwil, Switzerland; while the Audi Motorsport Technology Centre UK in Bicester, United Kingdom, provides a foothold in the heart of 'Motorsport Valley', with direct access to top F1 talent and key strategic partners. This integrated structure provides complete control over the project, embedding a culture of precision, innovation, and relentless performance. Audi's entry is strategically timed to coincide with new Formula 1 regulations focused on increased electrification, as the electric share of the hybrid drive is raised to almost 50%, and the introduction of 100% sustainable fuels. The entry into Formula 1, one of the most important platforms in the world, serves as a high-tech catalyst for the entire Audi brand, acting as a global stage to demonstrate technological leadership and connect with new, diverse audiences by creating cultural impact that resonates far beyond the race track.

