

F1 review: France 2021 and ramblings

Formula 1 racing cannot run without the French Grand Prix, for it was the French who introduced us to the sport we love so much. The first motor racing event was held in 1894 - the Paris-to-Rouen Horseless Carriage Contest - while the first French Grand Prix was staged in 1906.



The French Grand Prix, held at various circuits, was a regular on the F1 calendar until 2006 when Bernie Ecclestone, who ran F1 at the time, did not renew the contract and France remained out in the cold for nine seasons. The French Grand Prix returned in 2017, with racing taking place at Paul Ricard – a circuit owned by a certain Mr Ecclestone.

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