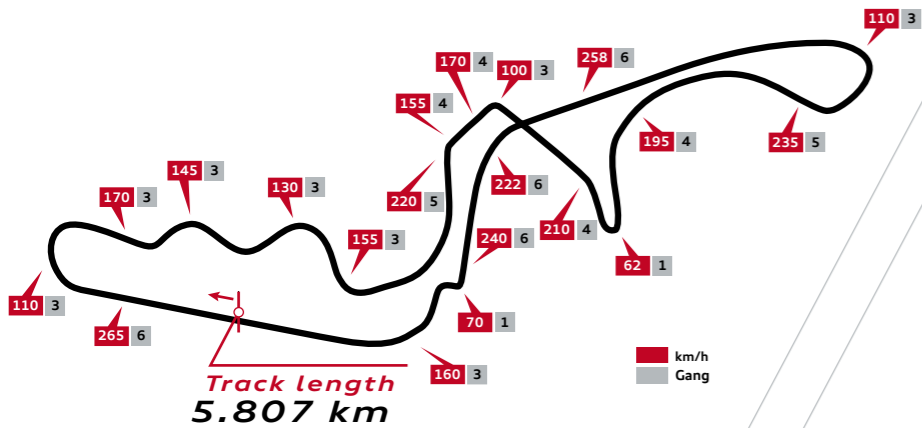


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Track (Suzuka)



Results of the race teams

Absolute Racing

2010 Foundation of the team, 2nd in Macau GT Cup (Audi R8 LMS), 1st in ILMC Zhuhai GTC (Audi R8 LMS), 1st in GT Asia Series GT4 Teams

2011 1st in Macau GT Cup (Audi R8 LMS), 1st in GT Asia Series GT4 Drivers & Teams

2012 1st in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 1st in Macau GT Cup (Audi R8 LMS)

2013 1st in GT Asia Series Teams (Audi R8 LMS), 1st in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 1st in Porsche Carrera Cup Asia, 1st in GTC 12h Sepang (Audi R8 LMS)

2014 1st in GT Asia Series Drivers GTM (Audi R8 LMS), 1st in Audi R8 LMS Cup

2015 1st in GT Asia Series GT3 Teams, 1st in GT Asia Series Drivers GTM (Audi R8 LMS), 1st in Audi R8 LMS Cup

2016 1st in GT Asia Series GT3 Teams, 1st in Porsche Carrera Cup Asia, 1st in Formula Masters China Series Drivers and Teams

2017 1st in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 1st in Formula Masters China Series Teams, 2nd in Blancpain GT Series Asia GT3 Drivers and Teams (Audi R8 LMS)

Hitotsuyama Racing

1990 Foundation of the team

1990-95 Japanese Touring Cars

1996-99 Japanese GT Championship GT 300

2000-05 Japanese GT Championship/Super GT 500

2006 1st in LMGT1 Japan Le Mans Challenge, 2nd in LMP1 Japan Le Mans Challenge

2007 1st in LMP1 Japan Le Mans Challenge, 1st in LMGT1 Japan Le Mans Challenge, 2nd in LMGT2 Japan Le Mans Challenge

2008 Porsche Carrera Cup Japan

2009 Super GT 500, Asian Le Mans Series, Porsche Carrera Cup Japan

2011 1st in Super Taikyu Series, GT Asia Series (Audi R8 LMS)

2012-18 Super GT 300 (Audi R8 LMS)

W Racing Team

2009 Foundation of the team

2010 1st in Belgian GT (Audi R8 LMS)

2011 1st in Blancpain Endurance Series Drivers and Teams, 1st in 24h Spa, 1st in 24h Zolder (Audi R8 LMS)

2012 1st in Blancpain Endurance Series Drivers and Teams, 1st in 24h Zolder (Audi R8 LMS)

2013 1st in FIA GT Series (Audi R8 LMS)

2014 1st in Blancpain Endurance Series, 1st in Blancpain GT Series, 1st in Blancpain Sprint Series, 1st in 24h Spa (Audi R8 LMS)

2015 1st in Blancpain GT Series, 1st in Blancpain Endurance and Sprint Series Teams, 1st in 24h Nürburgring, 1st in 12h Sepang (Audi R8 LMS)

2016 1st in Blancpain GT Series Sprint Cup, 1st in FIA GT World Cup Drivers, 1st in 24h Dubai, 1st in 12h Sepang (Audi R8 LMS), 1st in TCR International Drivers

2017 1st in Blancpain GT Series Sprint Cup Drivers and Teams (Audi R8 LMS), 1st in TCR International Drivers

2018 1st in 12h Bathurst (Audi R8 LMS)

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Audi Sport

Technical data Audi R8 LMS (2018)

Vehicle	Sports car according to FIA GT3 regulations
Vehicle type	Audi Space Frame (ASF) featuring an aluminum CFRP hybrid design with stressed steel roll cage, CFRP and aluminum bolt-on parts
Chassis	Energy-absorbing aluminum and CFRP crash structures front and rear. Safety concept meets FIA LMP1 crash requirements. In-roof rescue hatch
Safety concept	
Engine	
Engine type	V10 engine, 90-degree cylinder angle, four valves per cylinder, DOHC, gasoline direct injection, emission control by two exhaust gas catalytic converters for racing
Engine management	Bosch Motorsport Motronic MS6.4
Engine lubrication	Dry sump (adopted from production model)
Cubic capacity	5,200 cc
Performance	Variable by means of restrictors up to 430 kW (585 hp)*
Torque	More than 550 Nm
Drivetrain/transmission	
Type of drive	Rear-wheel drive, traction control (ASR)
Clutch	Electro-hydraulically operated three-plate racing clutch (ECA)
Transmission	Sequential, pneumatically operated six-speed performance transmission with paddle shifters
Differential	Limited slip differential, variable preload
Drive shafts	Constant-velocity joint shafts

Suspension/steering/brakes

Steering	Servo-assisted rack and pinion steering
Suspension	Front and rear independent suspension, double wishbones, suspension struts with coil springs and adjustable dampers, and adjustable stabilizers front and rear
Brakes	Hydraulic dual-circuit braking system, steel brake discs front (380 x 34 mm) and rear (355 x 32 mm), racing ABS
Wheels	Aluminum forged wheels, front 12.5 x 18 inches, rear 13 x 18 inches
Tires	Front 30-68/18, rear 31-71/18

Weight/dimensions

Length/width/height	4,583/1,997/1,171 mm
Homologation weight	1,225 kg
Fuel cell capacity	120 l

Equipment

Fire extinguishing system	Audi Sport
Controls	Height- and length-adjustable safety steering column, quick-adjustable rail-supported foot lever unit
Seating system	Audi Protection Seat PS 3

* established by BoP of the series organizers

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Height: 1.77 m
Motorsport since: 2006

Career highlights: 2007 1st in ADAC GT Masters, 2009 1st in FIA GT3 European Championship, 2012 1st in Blancpain Endurance Series, 2012 & 2014 1st in 24h Nürburgring, 2010 & 2016 1st in 12h Sepang, 2017 1st in 24h Spa

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Kelvin van der Linde

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Motorsport since: 2006

Career highlights: 2012 1st in Volkswagen Polo Cup South Africa, 2013 1st in Volkswagen Scirocco R-Cup, 2014 1st in ADAC GT Masters, 2017 1st in 24h Nürburgring, 1st in 8h California, 2018 3rd in 24h Spa

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Markus Winkelhock

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Height: 1.75 m
Motorsport since: 1998

Career highlights: 2012 1st in FIA GT1 World Championship, 1st in 24h Nürburgring, 2014 & 2017 1st in 24h Nürburgring, 1st in 24h Spa, 2017 1st in 8h California, 1st in Intercontinental GT Challenge

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Jake Dennis

Date of birth: 16 June 1995
Place of residence: Leicester (GB)
Height: 1.87 m
Motorsport since: 2007

Career highlights: 2012 1st in Formula Renault NEC, 2014 4th in Formula Renault Eurocup, 2015 3rd in FIA Formula 3, 2016 4th in GP3, 2017–18 Blancpain GT Series

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Stuart Leonard

Date of birth: 13 June 1991
Place of residence: London (GB)
Height: 1.85 m
Motorsport since: 2012

Career highlights: 2012 2nd in Caterham R300 Championship, 2015 1st in 12h Sepang, 2016 1st in 24h Dubai, 2017 1st in Blancpain GT Series Sprint Cup, 2018 1st in 12h Bathurst

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Sheldon van der Linde

Date of birth: 13 May 1999
Place of residence: Dainfern (ZA)
Height: 1.85 m
Motorsport since: 2006

Career highlights: 2014 & 2015 1st in Volkswagen Polo Cup South Africa, 2016 4th in Audi Sport TT Cup, 2017 1st in GTD Petit Le Mans, 3rd in ADAC TCR Germany, 2018 3rd in 24h Spa

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Christopher Mies

Date of birth: 24 May 1989
Place of residence: Heiligenhaus (D)
Height: 1.72 m
Motorsport since: 2001

Career highlights: 2009 1st in FIA European GT3 Championship, 2011 & 2012 1st in 12h Bathurst, 2012 1st in Blancpain Endurance Series, 2015 & 2017 1st in 24h Nürburgring, 2015 1st in Australian GT Championship, 2016 1st in ADAC GT Masters

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Dries Vanthoor

Date of birth: 20 April 1998
Place of residence: Heusden-Zolder (B)
Height: 1.72 m
Motorsport since: 2012

Career highlights: 2016 1st in Cup 5 24h Nürburgring, Blancpain GT Series, 2017 1st in GTE-Am 24h Le Mans, 1st in GT 24h Zolder, Blancpain GT Series, 2018 1st in 12h Bathurst

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Frédéric Vervisch

Date of birth: 10 August 1986
Place of residence: Harelbeke (B)
Height: 1.76 m
Motorsport since: 2004

Career highlights: 2007 2nd in ATS Formula 3 Cup, 2008 1st in ATS Formula 3 Cup, 2009 4th in IMSA Atlantic Championship, 2017 1st in Belcar Endurance Championship, 2nd in 24h Zolder, TCR International Series

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Audi Team Hitotsuyama



Richard Lyons

Date of birth: 8 August 1979
Place of residence: Hillsborough (GB)
Height: 1.83 m
Motorsport since: 1987

Career highlights: 1996 1st in Formula Vauxhall Junior Winter Series, 1999 2nd in Formula Palmer Audi Series, 2004 1st in Formula Nippon Series, 1st in GT 500 Japan GT Championship, 2005 3rd in Formula Nippon Series, 2008 2nd in Super GT 500

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Alessio Picariello

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Place of residence: Forchies-la-Marche (B)
Height: 1.77 m
Motorsport since: 2002

Career highlights: 2010–2012 Formula Renault NEC, 2013 1st in ADAC Formula Masters, 2015 Formula Masters China, 2016 2nd in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 2017 1st in Audi R8 LMS Cup

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Ryuichiro Tomita

Date of birth: 28 October 1988
Place of residence: Tokyo (J)
Height: 1.68 m
Motorsport since: 2013

Career highlights: 2013 1st in GT-R Prestige Cup, 2014 1st in GT-R Prestige Cup, 2014–2018 Super GT 300 Series

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Congfu Cheng

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Height: 1.77 m
Motorsport since: 1995

Career highlights: 2002 1st in Formula Renault China, 2006 3rd in British Formula Renault, 2008 3rd in LMP2 24h Le Mans, 2010 DTM, 2012 FIA WEC, 2014 4th in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 2015 2nd in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 2017 3rd in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 7th in Pro-Am Blancpain GT Series Asia

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Adderly Fong

Date of birth: 2 March 1990
Place of residence: Hong Kong
Height: 1.69 m
Motorsport since: 2006

Career highlights: 2006–07 Formula Renault V6 Asia, 2012 2nd in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 2013 1st in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 2014 6th in Audi R8 LMS Cup, 2014–15 GP3 Series, 2014–15 Formula 1 test driver, 2017 Pirelli World Challenge, 2018 2nd in GT4 24h Dubai

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Jingzu Sun

Date of birth: 2 August 1986
Place of residence: Beijing (CN)
Height: 1.70 m
Motorsport since: 2013

Career highlights: 2014 5th in Am Cup Audi R8 LMS Cup, 2016 3rd in Am Cup Audi R8 LMS Cup, GT Asia Series, 2017 2nd in Am Cup Audi R8 LMS Cup, 7th in Pro-Am Blancpain GT Series Asia, 2018 Audi R8 LMS Cup

Event schedule (local times, CEST +7)

Friday, August 24

13.50–15.50 Free Practice 1
 18.30–20.00 Free Practice 2

Saturday, August 25

13.00–13.15 Qualifying 1 (Driver 1)
 13.30–13.45 Qualifying 2 (Driver 2)
 14.00–14.15 Qualifying 3 (Driver 3)
 14.45–15.00 Pole Shoot Out (Top 20)

Sunday, August 26

08.00–08.20 Warm-up
 10.00–20.00 Race