



ITALIAN GRAND PRIX RACE

LEWIS HAMILTON LEADS A MERCEDES ONE-TWO AT MONZA WITH THE TOP THREE ALL USING IDENTICAL STRATEGIES

ALTERNATIVE STRATEGY USED BY RED BULL'S DANIEL RICCIARDO TO FINISH FOURTH FROM 16TH ON THE GRID

ONE-STOP STRATEGY FOR PRACTICALLY ALL THE DRIVERS ON THE FASTEST TRACK OF THE YEAR, WITH HIGH ENERGY LOADS

Monza, September 3, 2017 – As expected, nearly all the drivers chose a one-stop supersoft-soft strategy at the Italian Grand Prix, which was won by Mercedes driver Lewis Hamilton to take the lead of the championship by three points.




An alternative strategy was adopted by Red Bull's Daniel Ricciardo, who started 16th on the grid as a result of penalties. He began on soft and then moved onto the supersoft in the closing stages of the race. The Australian also set the fastest lap of the race, which was two seconds faster than last year's equivalent, using the same tyres.

Following torrential rain yesterday, conditions in Monza were dry today with ambient temperatures of 28 degrees centigrade and track temperatures of 37 degrees centigrade.

MARIO ISOLA - HEAD OF CAR RACING

"After an unpredictable weekend up to now, the race turned out exactly as we expected, with nearly all the drivers completing one-stop strategies. Daniel Ricciardo made excellent use of an alternative one-stop strategy to make up 12 places, and his fastest lap shows just how much quicker the car and tyre package is this year, despite the fact that Monza is mainly dominated by straights."

BEST TIME BY COMPOUND

		
-	Hamilton 1m 23.488s	Ricciardo 1m 23.361s
-	Bottas 1m 23.722s	Verstappen 1m 24.351s
-	Vettel 1m 23.897s	Hamilton 1m 24.770s

LONGEST STINT OF THE RACE

COMPOUND	DRIVER	LAPS
MEDIUM	-	-
SOFT	Hulkenberg	43
SUPERSOFT	Bottas-Vandoorne	33



TRUTHOMETER

Lewis Hamilton won the race using one pit stop, going from supersoft to soft on lap 32, as anticipated. His team mate Valtteri Bottas followed an identical strategy, stopping one lap later and finishing five seconds behind Hamilton at the flag. Both used exactly the strategy we indicated as the winning one.



MONZA PIT STOP SUMMARY

Car	Driver	Start	Pit 1	Pit 2
44	HAM	SSn	Sn (32)	
77	BOT	SSn	Sn (33)	
5	VET	SSn	Sn (31)	
3	RIC	Sn	SSn (37)	
7	RAI	SSn	Sn (15)	
31	OCO	SSn	Sn (16)	
18	STR	SSn	Sn (17)	
19	MAS	SSn	Sn (21)	
11	PER	SSn	Sn (32)	
33	VER	Sn	SSn (3)	SSn (27)
20	MAG	SSn	Sn (11)	
26	KVY	SSn	Sn (19)	
27	HUL	SSn	Sn (9)	
55	SAI	SSn	Sn (13)	
8	GRO	SSn	Sn (3)	SSn (34)
94	WEH	SSn	Sn (20)	
14	ALO	Sn	SSn (30)	
9	ERI	SSn	Sn (18)	
2	VAN	SSn		
30	PAL	Sn	SSn (25)	

S= Soft

SS= Supersoft

n= new



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