

FIA GT WORLD CUP 2019.

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STREET FESTIVAL IN MACAU.

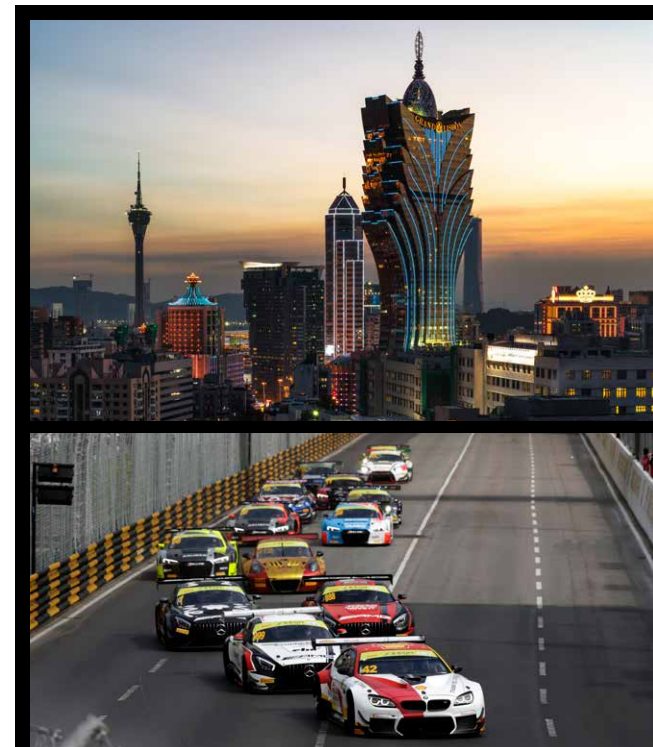
THE FIA GT WORLD CUP.

Street races are a rarity on the GT calendar. Perhaps that is why the 'Guia Circuit' in Macau holds special appeal for fans and drivers from all over the world. The first race there was held in 1954. Since then, the roads of the former Portuguese colony have been transformed into a spectacular street circuit every year.

On 16th and 17th November, the 'Guia Circuit' will once again provide the stage for the FIA GT World Cup. Augusto Farfus and BMW Team Schnitzer will be out to defend the title they won to great acclaim last year. In 2018, Farfus won both the qualifying and the main race in the BMW M6 GT3. In doing so, he gave Charly Lamm, Schnitzer team principal at the time, a very special present in his final race. A second BMW M6 GT3 will take its place on the starting grid for the 66th edition of this GT classic. BMW works driver Joel Eriksson will be at the wheel for FIST-Team AAI on the streets of Macau.

At 6.120 kilometres, the track is one of the longest street circuits in the world. Any mistakes are immediately punished and invariably end with a trip into the crash barriers. Anyone racing in Macau needs an abundance of courage and plenty of skill. The start leads into three long straights linked by two demanding corners taken at full throttle. These are followed by the famous Lisboa, a right-hander that has regularly been the scene of some big collisions. The Melco Hairpin is one of the slowest sections in international motorsport; there is no overtaking there. The track then passes through two right-handers before returning to the start/finish.

The importance of the GT race in Macau was increased significantly in 2015, when it was named the official FIA GT World Cup. As well as the GT race, the renowned Macau Grand Prix for Formula 3 cars will be held on the street circuit again this year. The FIA World Touring Car Cup will be among the other series in action in Macau. The race weekend also includes the Macau Motorcycle Grand Prix, in which BMW Motorrad Motorsport racers have celebrated victory multiple times and numerous podiums in recent years.



TRACK FACTS GUIA CIRCUIT.

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| Opened | 1954 |
| Length | 6.120 kilometres |
| Width | 7 to 14 metres |
| Corners | 19 |
| Latest BMW win | 2018 Augusto Farfus BMW Team Schnitzer BMW M6 GT3 |

THE GT3 SUCCESS MODEL.

BMW M6 GT3.

The BMW M6 GT3 has been the top model in the BMW Motorsport customer racing range since 2016. The car is powered by a 4.4-litre V8 engine with M TwinPower Turbo Technology. The power train has dry sump lubrication and generates up to 585 hp – with the whole car weighing less than 1,300 kilograms. Other technical features include the transaxle drive concept, a sequential six-speed racing gearbox and powerful motorsport electronics.

TECHNICAL DATA.

DIMENSIONS.

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| Length | 4,944 mm |
| Width | 2,046 mm |
| Wheelbase | 2,910 mm |
| Weight | less than 1,300 kg (without driver, depending on regulations) |

ENGINE.

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| Model | based on the S63 production engine and slightly modified for the specific requirements of motorsport; with M TwinPower Turbo Technology |
| Type | V8 |
| Capacity | 4,395 cc |
| Performance | up to 585 hp (depending on classification) |
| Oil supply | oil system, based on dry sump, specifically developed by BMW Motorsport |
| Top speed | approx. 280 km/h |



2019 TEAMS AND DRIVERS.

/// BMW TEAM SCHNITZER.



BMW Team Schnitzer has been responsible for more than one major BMW triumph in Macau and, with 14 victories to its name, is the record holder for number of wins. The first win for the team came in 1980. Back then, Hans-Joachim Stuck was first across the finish line in the BMW 320.

Last year, the team celebrated a very special victory at the last race event for Charly Lamm as Team Principal of BMW Team Schnitzer. Farfus won the qualifying race on Saturday and drove to a start-finish victory in the main race on Sunday. Lamm said it was one of the greatest moments of his racing career after the win. He passed away just a few weeks later.



/// AUGUSTO FARFUS.



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| Date of Birth | 3 rd September 1983 (36) |
| Place of Birth | Curitiba (BRA) |
| Website  | www.farfus.com |
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| Career | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2004 6th place FIA ETCC 2005 4th place FIA WTCC 2006 3rd place FIA WTCC 2007 4th place FIA WTCC 2010 1st place 24h Nürburgring 2011 1st place 24h Dubai 2013 2nd place DTM 2018 1st place FIA GT World Cup Macau 2019 1st place GTLM class Daytona 24 Hours |
| Macau Appearances | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2005 1st, 3rd – FIA WTCC 2006 5th, DNF – FIA WTCC 2007 26th, DNS – FIA WTCC 2008 4th, 11th – FIA WTCC 2009 8th, 1st – FIA WTCC 2010 6th, 5th – FIA WTCC 2014 5th – Macau GT Cup 2017 4th – FIA GT World Cup 2018 1st – FIA GT World Cup |

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/// FIST-TEAM AAI.

Team AAI is a Taiwanese racing team. Being based in Taiwan, it has expanded its business to Asia, Europe and the United States as well. Team AAI was founded in 1991 and is run by company owner Jun-San Chen. The team last competed in Macau two years ago and finished in fifth and sixth places. This season, FIST-Team AAI enjoyed success in the China GT Championship and the China Endurance Championship, winning the team title and the driver's title with BMW works driver Nick Yelloly. Joel Eriksson got to know the team this season during guest appearances in China. He is also familiar with the tricky track in Macau's urban canyons. He raced in the Formula 3 Grand Prix there in the last three years. Now he will drive the BMW M6 GT3 there for the first time.



/// JOEL ERIKSSON.



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| Place of Birth | Tomelilla (SWE) |
| Website  | www.joelerikssonracing.com |
| Instagram  | @joelracing |

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| Career | 2015 | 2 nd place ADAC Formula 4 Championship |
| | 2016 | 1 st place Masters of Formula 3 Zandvoort |
| | 2017 | 2 nd place FIA Formula 3 European Championship |
| | 2018 | 2 nd place Formula 3 Grand Prix Macau 14 th place DTM, 1 win |
| | 2019 | 11 th place DTM |

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| Macau Appearances | 2016 | DNF – Formula 3 Grand Prix |
| | 2017 | DNF, pole position – Formula 3 Grand Prix |
| | 2018 | 2 nd – Formula 3 Grand Prix |

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