



What is Lets Race?

For most of us, the idea of driving a Formula 1 race car is an impossible dream. These cars are designed to seat one person, so riding with a professional driver is out of the question, and the few locations that offer F1 driving experiences are either extremely limited, with the cars never allowed to reach their top speeds, or prohibitively expensive.

Although some event locations offer simulators, most people find that these are lacking substance, and at best you'll feel like you're sitting in an arcade game or a kiddie ride. For those thinking why waste the money for something that won't even begin to approach the full experience of F1 racing – they haven't tried Lets Race, the UK's most advanced full-motion simulator centre.

Their professional race car simulators feature a booming sounds system, creating an atmosphere that simply has to be experienced to be believed. Their F1 model offers speeds of up to 200mph to give a real rush whilst developing enough downforce to keep racers flying round the track when they hit trick corners.

Lets Race's blacked out sim room comes alive while spectators can sit in the grandstand to watch the race unfold making sure that everyone feels like they are part of a real formula 1 race. Down on the illuminated grated floor their 10 networked sims allow drivers to experience a wide variety of circuits meaning drivers can race on the same tracks as the real F1 superstars.

Is it just F1 cars?

Although Lets Race is primarily an F1 racing centre, they also have so much more to offer on their simulators. Motorsport doesn't just revolve around F1, with many other formulas and categories offering incredible racing and machinery. Lets Race's simulators are all F1 'tubs', but every car will feel and respond completely different to their standard virtual F1 car. The on screen visuals will change to suit each car, be that a Formula Renault single seater or a Clio Cup car. You will need to adjust your driving style to suit.

Lets Race encourages participants to try out different cars and to experience the difference in handling, power and overall driving style required to successfully navigate a fast lap. Some of the cars on offer include:

- 2016 F1 model
- 2015 F1 model
- IndyCar
- Formula Renault 3.5
- Formula 3
- LMP1 Porsche
- GT3 Ferrari
- Porsche Carrera Cup
- BTCC

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Price: Prices range from £14.95 - £44.95 depending on session length and time of booking.

Suitability: Suitable for anyone over 1.5m tall. Driving license not required. Adaptive cars are available upon request for those with a disability.

TYPES OF SESSION AT LETS RACE

Practice/lunchtime specials

Practice and lunchtime specials are a 25 minute experience in our simulators without any break. With these sessions, you can practice a track / car for fun, or practice before a race with your friends here and get a head start in the grid!

These sessions allow you to choose any car we have listed or any track we have. Head to our track and car page for more information on what's available and some advice and statistics on what to select!

We suggest this experience as best when trying out our simulators for the first time, and you can pop down by yourself or test against up to 9 friends and see who can get the best lap time!

If you enjoy playing racing games at home or just love F1, you're going to love this! And it's Cheaper, more versatile, faster and warmer than go karting this winter!

Standard race experience

Race Experiences are our most popular choice of experience. The Race Experience allows you to race against fellow F1 simulator racers and make new friends or foes on the track! You can experience the mayhem and excitement of a full grid of F1 cars while feeling the rush of the UK's most authentic full-motion racing simulators.

The layout of the experience gives you a 15 minute safety briefing in your arrival 30 minutes prior to your time, a 15 minute qualifying session and then a racing instructor will help you analyse and improve your race performance with telemetry reviews from your qualifying session. You'll then have your 15 minute race and finish in style with a podium finish! (If you're in the top 3 that is!) If you want to give yourself a head start and try and make sure you get on the podium, you can always book a practice session beforehand so you know what to expect on the day.

This experience is in our F1 2016 car and the instructor will choose a track suitable for all abilities. However, if you book out all 10 simulators, you can choose your track yourself!

Race Experiences are great for first time racers as they are not as intense and challenging as our Premium Race Experience. They offer a more dramatic alternative to karting and are the natural step-up from online sim racing and console racing games.

Premium race experiences

Premium Race Experiences give you the most amount of driving time. This experience is available at weekends and gives you a truly intense 45 minutes of pure adrenaline fuelled F1 racing action, allowing you to weave through a full grid of F1 cars and give you a truly realistic feel of how F1 really feels.

Ensure you clock a fast qualifying time to grab 1st place on the grid while you'll feel every knock, every turn and the g-force of up to 200mph with our full-motion F1 simulators. The Premium Race Experience is a test of concentration, racing intelligence and staying power; can you last the distance and come out on top of the podium?

The layout of the experience gives you a 15 minute safety briefing in your arrival 30 minutes prior to your time, a 15 minute qualifying session and then a racing instructor will help you analyse and improve your race performance with telemetry reviews from your qualifying session. You'll then have your 30 minute race and finish in style with a podium finish! (If you're in the top 3 that is!) If you want to give yourself a head start and try and make sure you get on the podium, you can always book a practice session beforehand so you know what to expect on the day.

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Premium Race Experiences are great for returning racers as they are an intense setup from a Race Experience. They give the racers 45 minutes driving time altogether so we recommended it for experienced racers as it can be quite challenging and demanding, but the decision is up to you!

Trail nights

Trial Nights are a completely different format to our other experiences. These experiences give you the chance to drive 4 different cars on the track while in the UK's only full motion simulators. This means you get to test 4 different cars, seeing how different they handle and just which one you can't set the fastest time in! So have a go at trying out some favourites and old favourites on a track!

This experience is laid out in a total of 40 minutes. You will get your safety briefing in your arrival 30 minutes prior to your booking time. You will get 4 x 10 minute uninterrupted sessions in each different car we have on offer and you will get a print out of your lap times to take away.

Championship races

Lets Race has created a selection of competition based packages that you can take part in as an individual or as part of a team. The best thing about the competitions is they give everyone to experience the very best of what Lets Race has to offer, from different cars and tracks to tire wear and pit stops that are not run on normal sessions.

Championships include:

Endurance Championship -£150 per team ***Available 1 Friday a month *selected dates***

The Endurance Championship allows for up to 5 drivers to compete as a team, with 2 hours 50 minutes of competitive driving taking place on one Friday night a month. Each team will need to make their own strategy calls, plan for the unexpected and manage their race just like a real race team.

The Championship will be run using our incredible Formula 2 vehicle model on rFactor 2. This not only provides each team and driver with an awesome racing car and great racing, but it gives them early access to the stunning rFactor 2 simulation software now available at Lets Race. Each race features tyre wear, racing penalties and team strategies, with radio comms from race director to each driver providing the team with a voice, just like on the pit wall. A 50-minute practice and qualifying session sets things up perfectly for the main 2 hour race event.

BTCC Championship - £45 per round ***April - November***

For the first time Lets Race is hosting a competition for solo drivers replicating the British Touring Car Championship. With a total of 8 rounds spanning from April to November, you can mark your calendars off for an invigorating year.

These races take place on the third Friday of every month.

There are only thirty spots available for each round. The thirty drivers are divided into three groups of ten drivers. Following a five minute practice/qualifying round, each group will race in three heats that are 10 minutes long. And the three final races are each fifteen minutes to decide who wins that round.

The beauty of creating an experience as similar to the BTCC as possible means that of the eight rounds that you complete, you can choose to drop the one that earned you the least points. This way only seven of the eight races count towards your final points. As per tradition, the winners will be announced on the podium so the drivers know who to beat in the coming rounds.