



93rd Rallye Automobile Monte-Carlo (January 20-26, 2025)

Demanding in more ways than one!

As always, the Organising Committee of Automobile Club de Monaco (ACM) hopes that this 93rd edition of Rallye Automobile Monte-Carlo will be a highly selective event, and perhaps even more so than previous editions. So let us take a look at this inaugural round of the 2025 FIA World Rally Championship (WRC), which should appeal to professional drivers and amateurs alike...

Following on from the recce scheduled from **Monday January 20** to **Wednesday January 22**, the competitors authorised to take part will have their first opportunity to test themselves in race conditions during the **Shakedown (3.28km)** from **4:01 pm** on Wednesday afternoon. This is the route introduced in 2017, along **Route de la Garde in Gap**, the city which hosted the event from 2014 to 2021 and has been chosen again since 2024.

The **official start** of the 93rd Rallye Automobile Monte-Carlo is scheduled for the following day, on **Thursday January 23** at **2:30 pm**, from **Casino Square in Monaco**. On the menu for this first 100% nightly leg are three special stages totalling 53.11 kilometres. Organised in the departments of Alpes-de-Haute-Provence and Hautes-Alpes, the special stages of **Digne-les-Bains / Chaudon-Norante (SS1 - 19.01 km - 6.05 pm)**, **Faucon-du-Caire / Bréziers (ES 2 - 19.20 km - 7.53 pm)** and **Avançon / Notre-Dame-du-Laus (SS3 - 14.90 km - 9.06 pm)**, very complex in terms of tyre choices, should already make it possible to establish an initial significant hierarchy.

Two departments (Hautes-Alpes and Alpes-de-Haute-Provence) will host the second day of racing, on **Friday January 24**, totalling 107.38 kilometres against the clock. With a loop of three special stages to be contested twice, comprising **Saint-Maurice / Aubessagne (SS4/7 - 18.70 km - 9.31 am / 3.23 pm)**, **Saint-Léger-les-Mélèzes / La Bâtie-Neuve (SS5/8 - 16.68 km - 10.34 am / 4.26 pm)** and **La Bréole / Selonnet (SS 6/9 - 18.31 km - 11.42 am / 5.34 pm)**, this 2nd leg will only confirm the increasing pace of difficulties.

The third day of racing, on **Saturday January 25**, is mainly based in the Drôme department, with a total of 131.64 timed kilometres. With a loop of three special stages to be completed twice, this day is undoubtedly the most difficult for the crews. On the menu, **La Motte-Chalancon / Saint-Nazaire-le-Désert (SS10/13 - 27.07 km - 08:59 am/2:59 pm)**, followed by the new **Aucelon / Recoubeau-Jansac (SS11/14 - 20.91 km - 10:05 am/4:05 pm)**, and **La Bâtie-des-Fonts / Aspremont (SS12/15 - 17.84 km - 11:08 am/5:08 pm)**.

Finally, on **Sunday January 26**, three stages totalling 51.88 kilometres will be contested between **Gap** and **Monaco**, on the following timed sectors: **Avançon / Notre-Dame-du-Laus (SS16 - 14.90 km - 6:39 am)**, **Digne-les-Bains / Chaudon-Norante (SS17 - 19.01 km - 8:32 am)** and, last but not least, **La Bollène-Vésubie / Peirra-Cava (SS 18 - 17.97 km - 12:15 pm)** which will count as the Power Stage. The prize-giving ceremony will take place on **Casino Square in Monaco** from **4:15 pm**...

Kilometres and times given as an indication until the official publication of the route.

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