



94th Rallye Automobile Monte-Carlo (January 18-25, 2026)

An Equation with many variables!

Despite facing multiple administrative and regulatory challenges, the Automobile Club of Monaco's Organizing Committee has successfully finalized the framework of the 94th Rallye Automobile Monte-Carlo - a feat requiring precision and flexibility. As the opening round of the 2026 FIA World Rally Championship* (WRC), this legendary road event is poised to attract high-caliber teams and elite drivers from across the globe.

Reconnaissance runs will be conducted from **Sunday, January 18** through **Tuesday, January 20**. Participating crews will then engage in a modified shakedown session on **January 21 at 14:01**. Measuring 4.80 km, the trial route - first introduced in 2017 and extended for this edition - now integrates the Rabou's road in **Gap**, host city from 2014 to 2021 and again from 2024.

The official start of the 94th Rallye Automobile Monte-Carlo is set for **Thursday, January 22 at 14:00** from the podium ramp installed on **Quai Albert 1^{er}** in **Monaco**. This initial leg features three special stages, totaling 61.58 kilometers. Held in the departments of Alpes-Maritimes and Alpes-de-Haute-Provence, the stages « **Toudon / Saint-Antonin** » (SS 1 - 22,90 km - 15h35), « **Esclangon / Seyne-les-Alpes** » (SS 2 - 23,48 km - 18h03) and « **Vaumeilh / Claret** » (SS 3 - 15,20 km - 19h51) promise the potential for major surprises right from the start.

Two departments, Drôme and Hautes-Alpes, will host the second day of rallying, with a total of 129.38 kilometers against the clock. This leg comprises a three-stage loop repeated twice, including « **Laborel / Chauvac-Laux-Montaux** » (SS 4/7 - 17,84 km - 08h36/14h58), « **Saint-Nazaire-le-Désert / La Motte-Chalancon** » (SS 5/8 - 29,00 km - 10h04/16h26) and « **La Bâtie-des-Fonts / Aspremont** » (SS 6/9 - 17,85 km - 11h22/17h44). This second leg, packed with technical challenges, is simply the longest of the entire rally.

While shorter in length, Saturday's mostly Alpes-de-Haute-Provence-based stage remains equally demanding. It features a total of 78.22 kilometers of timed sections, including the band-new « **La Bréole / Bellaiffaire** » via the **Garcinets** pass (SS 10/12 - 30,10 km - 08h05/12h05), run twice, and a daytime reprise of « **Vaumeilh / Claret** » from Thursday evening (SS 11 - 15,20 km - 09h18). In contrast to the 2025 edition, this year the return to Monaco happens Saturday afternoon and wraps up with a super special stage - currently under consideration - the first since 2008 (SS 13 - 2,82 km - 17h45), set on the lower section of the iconic **Monaco Circuit**.

Rallye Automobile Monte-Carlo will culminate with a thrilling final showdown across two legendary mountain stages, each repeated twice and totaling 71.62 kilometers. Crews will tackle « **Col de Braus / La Cabanette** » (SS 14/16 - 12,48 km - 08h00/11h10) and « **La Bollène-Vésubie / Moulinet** » (SS 15/17 - 23,33 km - 09h05/13h15), with the second run of the latter serving as the Wolf Power Stage - a decisive moment where drivers can gain crucial championship points. The rally will officially conclude with the final podium and awards ceremony held at **Port Hercule**, beginning at 17:00...

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Note: All timings and distances are provisional until publication of the official itinerary.

***Subject to approval of the 2026 WRC calendar by the FIA World Motor Sport Council**