

### Why go?

The Valencia Street Circuit is a bit of a curiosity. Designed to create exciting racing around the marina which hosted the 32nd America's Cup yachts, its sweeping bends (which can be driven flat out between the concrete walls) have provided very little overtaking as far as F1 is concerned, making this grand prix quite a forgettable one to watch on TV. The lack of luxury yachts in the harbour has also failed to recreate the magic and glitter of Monaco or Singapore.

Despite all this, spectators flock in high numbers (85,000 in 2011) and it gives the race an atmosphere (albeit Alonso biased) other Tilke designed Formula 1 tracks would relish. The city is enjoyable, easily accessible, the event is well organised and the weather is usually (very) warm and sunny at the end of June. The venue is also easily reached by public transport. These ingredients make it a perfect race to attend for a first grand prix experience, as well as for anyone in need of F1 live, coupled with a European city break or as part of a bigger holiday.

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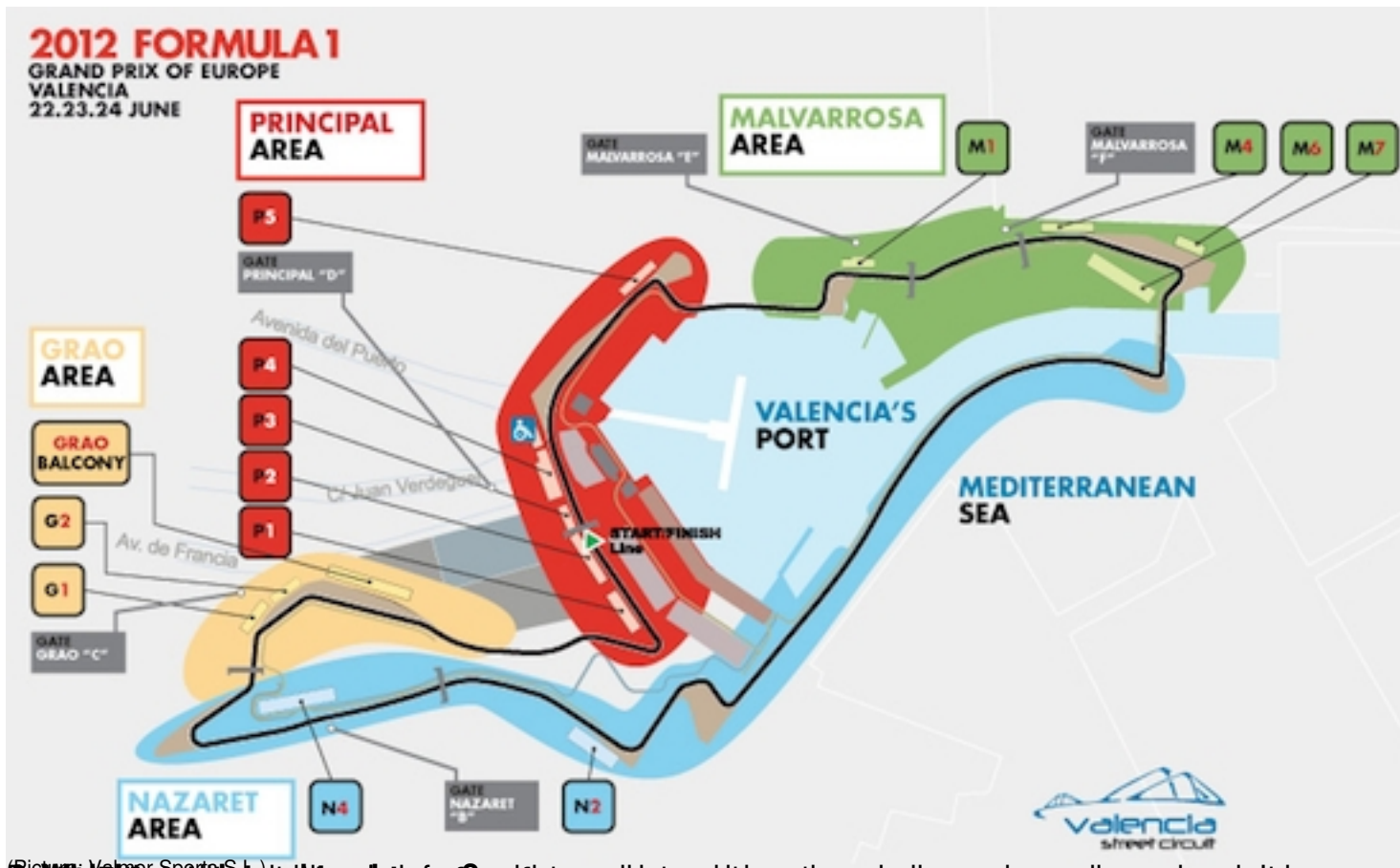
Please note there is no general admission.



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(Picture: Valencia Sports S.L. via Twitter) The Valencia Street Circuit is a temporary track, rather similar and one-dimensional. It is a one-way street, with the start/finish line at the Valencia's Port. The track is a one-way street, with the start/finish line at the Valencia's Port. The track is a one-way street, with the start/finish line at the Valencia's Port.

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Formula 1 pit stop at the Grand Prix of Europe (Image: Mercedes AMG Petronas Formula 1 team) The pit stop is a crucial moment in a Formula 1 race, where the car is stopped for a short period to be serviced by the pit crew. The crew members are seen working on the car, changing tires, and refueling. The pit stop is a high-pressure environment, with the crew members working quickly and efficiently to get the car back on the track as soon as possible. The pit stop is also a strategic moment, where the team can make adjustments to the car's setup and strategy based on the race conditions. The pit stop is a key part of the race, and it is often the difference between a win and a loss.



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