



## GRAN PREMIO NUVOLARI, 31st EDITION

*The famous event celebrating the unforgettable myth of the "Great Tazio" starts today with the participation of more than 260 crews from all over the world*

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### 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

The 31<sup>st</sup> edition of the Gran Premio Nuvolari - the most technical race for historic cars in Italy, starts today. From 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> September Gran Premio Nuvolari will bring in Mantua a multitude of classic enthusiasts that come to celebrate the myth of the great "Nivola", a legendary sportsman, who more than anyone else has marked the motoring history of the twentieth century.

In the year that marks **the return to conviviality and sociability**, the event records an important number of participants: **290 requests** have been received, and 267 of them have been confirmed by the Official Commission, as a proof of the **strong enthusiasm** that surrounds what is considered one of the most beautiful races in the world.

*"It is a timeless charm that of the Gran Premio Nuvolari: a real open-air museum of classic cars that thanks to the contribution of the Lombardy Region also this year returns to excite the general public" - says Antonio Rossi, Undersecretary to the Presidency Sport, Olympics 2026, Major Events of the Lombardy Region. "We wanted to help the organizers of international events on the Lombardy territory after the difficult year they had to face because of the pandemic. The historic starts today with departure from Piazza Sordello in Mantua in compliance with the anti Covid-19 regulations: it will mark the beginning of a real restart for all lovers of four wheels".*

**Many countries from all continents** (Italy, Germany, Switzerland, Holland, United States, Great Britain, Russia, Austria, Belgium, Uruguay, Argentina, Japan, Poland, Lebanon, Monte Carlo, San Marino) and **48 car manufacturers** are represented – to mention some: the Italian Alfa Romeo, Maserati, Lancia, Ferrari and Fiat; the British Jaguar, Aston Martin, Bentley and Triumph; the German Mercedes, BMW and Porsche; the French Bugatti. Furthermore, **93 pre-war cars** are taking part to the event.

The Gran Premio represents a unique opportunity to get a close look at these iconic **vintage cars that have made the history of world motoring**: those beauties gather as usual in Piazza Sordello, in the



heart of Mantua. The myth of the “Great Tazio” is always strong and present, thanks to the numerous fans who revive it year after year on occasion of the Gran Premio Nuvolari: tons of emotions are shared along an extraordinary journey on board of real masterpieces of history, mechanics and design.

Organized by the **Scuderia Mantova Corse**, that in 2021 **celebrates 40 years of passionate and tireless activity**, the regularity event is reserved for vintage cars of historical interest built until 1976, in accordance with the **F.I.A, F.I.V.A., ACI Sport and ACI Storico regulations**.

The event in honor of the "Great Tazio" will enjoy the patronages of the Lombardy Region, the Province of Mantua, the Municipalities of Mantua, Cesenatico, Rimini, Urbino, Arezzo, Cortona, Ferrara, San Benedetto Po and the Republic of San Marino.

The Gran Premio Nuvolari is traditionally organized with the contribution of prestigious sponsors: the “Main Partner” **Red Bull**, Austrian world leader in the field of energy drinks, the “Official Timekeeper Partner” **TAG Heuer**, famous Franco-Swiss watchmaking house since 1860, and the “Technical Partner” **Group Finservice**, important Italian company in the subsidized finance sector.

A relevant news this year will be the official presence of **Ferrari Classiche**, the historical branch of Ferrari Spa, present with its own stand during the days of the sporting and technical checks at Palazzo Te.

Another news is worth mentioning: also this year Mantova Corse is committed to the “**GPN Green**” initiative. As a demonstration of sensitivity to environmental protection and sustainability, at the end of the event tall trees will be planted in selected areas of Mantua in order to compensate the environmental impact in terms of CO2 emissions that the circulation of historic cars cause.

### **The details of the 31<sup>st</sup> edition**

**Participants:** 267 confirmed crews, from all over the world.

**Admitted cars:** all cars manufactured until 1976.

**Route:** this thirty-first edition proposes a route of about **1,100 km** among the central-northern Italian beauties, crossing the suggestive landscapes of Lombardy, Emilia Romagna, Marche, Umbria and Tuscany.

**Special Crews:** Tazio Nuvolari's legendary car will symbolically take part in the event with the number **1** aboard the **1930 Alfa Romeo 6C 1750 Gran Sport**, the glorious car with which the “Flying Mantuan” won the Mille Miglia 91 years ago.

**-Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 10:45:** The **start of the event**, from Piazza Sordello, in the hearth of Mantua. The first day the crews will cross the suggestive streets of Emilia, until the arrival at the **Modena**

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**Racetrack.** Here there will be the lunch break and the timed trials. The itinerary will then continue over the Apennines, through the Raticosa and Futa passes, until the **Mugello Circuit**, the famous Tuscan Formula 1 racetrack. The route until the Adriatic Sea will take the “traveling museum” to **Cesenatico**, for the refreshing and prestigious dinner at **Grand Hotel Leonardo da Vinci\*\*\*\*\***. The overnight stay in Rimini will follow.

**-Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> September:** the second stage and the toughest day of the Gran Premio Nuvolari. The crews will experience a **largely renewed route**: from Rimini to Urbino, then the Bocca Serriola pass, Città di Castello, up to Magione at the **Umbria Racetrack**, the Trasimeno Lake and the **break at Golf Club Lamborghini in Panicale**. Stamp controls will be performed in Castiglione del Lago, Cortona and **Piazza Grande in Arezzo**. In the afternoon, the crews will drive along the roads of the **Viamaggio** towards the Adriatic, with the media tests in Sant'Agata Feltria. The **Republic of San Marino** will welcome the parade with the last set of time trials for the day, and with the stamp control in Piazza della Libertà, at the apex of Mount Titano. The arrival of the second stage will be in **Rimini**, on the runway of Piazza Tre Martiri. The evening will reserve to the competitors the traditional Gala Dinner in honour of Tazio Nuvolari, in the wonderful Fellinian setting of the **Grand Hotel di Rimini\*\*\*\*\***.

**-Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September:** the last day. The crews will return to Mantua. The route will make the competitors face the last challenges, the decisive ones to decree the winner. Starting from Rimini, they will face the feared time trials of Meldola, then they'll arrive in **Faenza**, as guests of the **Formula 1 team Alpha Tauri**. The arena of Piazza Ariostea will be the splendid location that Ferrara will offer to competitors from all over the world. Then it will be time to return to Mantua, only after the stamp controls in Bondeno, Poggio Rusco, San Giacomo, Bondanello and the break for **lunch in the majestic abbey of San Benedetto Po**. Finally, Piazza Sordello will embrace again the competitors for the farewell parade.

The event in honor of Nuvolari is the third appointment of the Italian “Grandi Eventi” Championship by ACI Sport, which also includes the Coppa Milano Sanremo, the Coppa d'Oro delle Dolomiti and the Targa Florio Classica.

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