

# FELIX ROSENQVIST

SWEDEN'S FIRST EUROPEAN CHAMPION







A multiple title winner and frontrunner in every championship he ever contested, Sweden's Felix Rosenqvist is the reigning FIA F3 European Champion and one of the most exciting up-and-coming talents in international motorsport.

Having finished second in the FIA F3 European Championship in 2013, Felix went one better in 2015, lifting the prestigious title after a dominant season driving for Italian outfit Prema Powerteam.

Felix Rosenqvist is the only driver in the history of Formula 3 to have won each of the accolades that make up the category's "grand slam": the **European Championship**, the **Grand Prix de Pau** (2014), the **Masters of Formula 3** (2011 and 2013) and the blueriband **Macau Grand Prix** (2014 and 2015).

Felix is backed by the official Mercedes-Benz young driver development programme and has conducted regular testing and promotional duties for the Stuttgart marque.

**AGE** 24

**LIVES** Malmö/Värnamo (Sweden)

**HOBBIES**Sports, music, movies

CHAMPIONSHIP / TEAM
FIA F3 European Championship / Prema Powerteam

CLUB
Royal Swedish Automobile Club (KAK)

**FAVOURITE CIRCUIT** Macau (Guia Street Circuit) "A laid-back dude outside the car but with an indomitable spirit and spectacular driving style in it. Add to that fantastic racecraft, and here you have a driver who would pretty soon become a Formula 1 fan favourite."

- AUTOSPORT, December 2013

"This guy is just brilliant – dead cool, very talented, very confident. I get blown away by how good he is."

- Peter Windsor, F1 Racing & The Racer's Edge

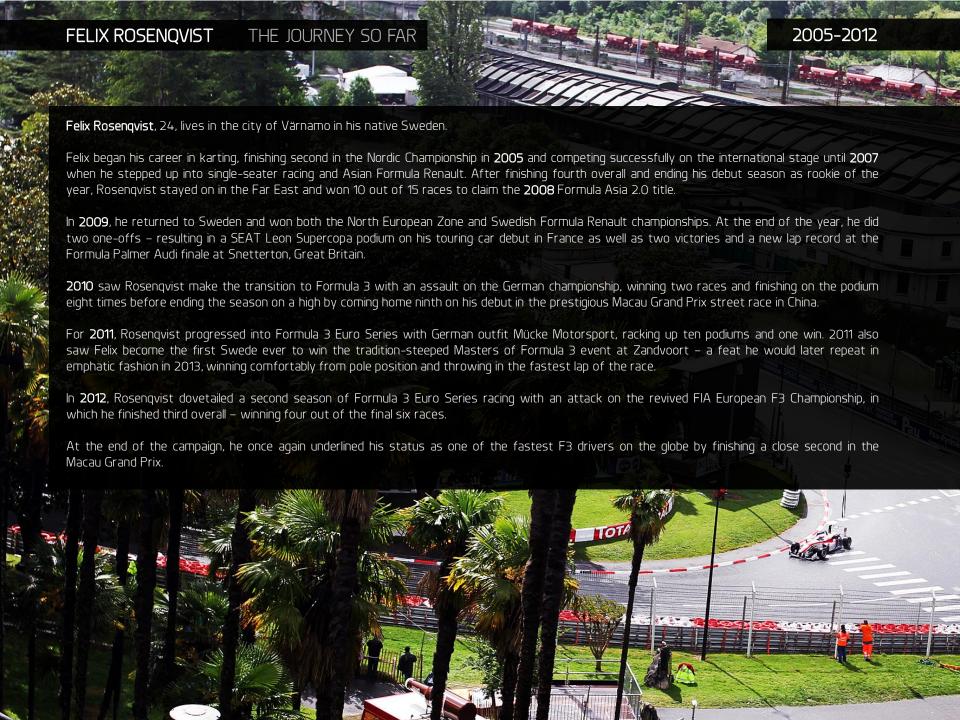
"An absolute talent. He's got the potential to achieve great things and to reach the highest echelons of this sport."

– Damon Hill, 1996 F1 World Champion









In **2013**, the restructured FIA Formula 3 European Championship gathered all the leading F3 teams and drivers under one umbrella, with Rosenqvist again racing for Mücke Motorsport and finishing second overall with ten wins and 18 podiums from 30 races.

He also equalled the record previously held by current F1 star Valtteri Bottas as he bagged a second Masters of Formula 3 triumph.

In November **2014**, Rosenqvist became the first Swede in 22 years to win the end-of-season F3 world finale in Macau, completing a season of street track success on the back of victory in the Grand Prix de Pau (France) earlier in the year.

Having won each of the major F3 standalone events, **2015** finally saw Rosenqvist add the only remaining accolade to his list of F3 achievements; the FIA F3 European Championship title. Now racing for Italian squad Prema Powerteam, he was crowned champion with one round to spare after a dominant display at the Nürburgring which netted him a clean-sweep of pole positions, race wins and fastest laps.

He then brought the season to a perfect end by repeating his Macau Grand Prix win of the previous year, becoming only the second driver in history to win the event twice.

Felix Rosenqvist is part of the Swedish national motor racing team and supported by the Mercedes-Benz young driver development programme.

He currently holds the all-time F3 lap records at the Portimão, Nürburgring, Zandvoort and Ricardo Tormo (Valencia) circuits.







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VÄRNAMO NYHETER AWARDS

Athlete of the Year

**ROYAL MEDALLION** 

Presented by HRH king Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden for

Macau Grand Prix podium

2011 BILSPORT AWARDS

"Junior Racing Driver of the Year"

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2010 JOINS THE SWEDISH NATIONAL MOTOR RACING TEAM

2009 RYDELL SPECIAL AWARD

**Motivation:** "Double champion who has combined speed with versatility to prove himself ready for a new challenge in

international single-seater racing."

2008 RYDELL SPECIAL AWARD

Motivation: "A young driver who has dominated his

championship and, in doing so, has set up a bright outlook for a

future career in international motorsport."

RONNIE PETERSON MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Principal recipient

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Stefan "Lill-Lövis" Johansson (t v) hyllar Rosenqvist och hans seger under söndagen. Foto: BJÖRN LINDGREN / TT

# F1-legendaren hyllar Felix

"Lill-Lövis" Johansson: "Han har ju vunnit allt som går att vinna"

VÄRNAMO Under söndagen vann Felix Rosenqvist Formel 3-EM. På måndagen hyllar F1-legendaren och managern Värnamoföraren.

## F3 Masters: Felix Rosenqvist takes second victory

By Gary Watkins

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Felix Rosenqvist claimed a second Masters of Formula 3 victory of his career with a dominant display at

The Swede converted pole position into the lead of the race aboard his Mucke Motorsport Dallara-Mercedes and had little trouble pulling away from the pack led by Prema driver Alex Lynn.

Rosenqvist, who won the race in 2011, was more than two seconds ahead in the space of four laps and was more than four seconds clear of Lynn when he lost over a second and a half on the 16th lap.

He had to back off when he encountered the medical car on the track and lost more time on the following lap because of excessive pick-up after going off line.

The Mucke driver was able to re-extend his lead and was nearly six seconds ahead of Lynn at the conclusion of the 25-lap race.

Rosenqvist said: "This was the perfect weekend: I was fastest in every session, took pole, the victory and fastest lap.

# F1-mästaren hyllar svenske talangen

Rosenqvist jagar F1: "Ni har en bra förare på gång"



Drömmer om F1 21-årige Felix Rosenqvist ligger tvåa i EM inför helgens tävlingar. Nu hvilas han av den forne världsmästaren Damon Hill

Felix Rosenqvist är tvåa i EM, men han kan nå mycket ängre i så.

Kanske ända till formel 1.

- Han har verkligen potential att bli riktigt bra, säger världsmästaren Damon Hill.

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# 19-åring vann klassiskt storlopp

Rosenqvist på samma lista som Hamilton

Vad har Felix Rosenqvist, 19, gemensamt med David Coulthard och Lewis Hamilton?

Alla tre har vunnit RTL GP Masters i F3.

- En otrolig känsla, och utan tvekan den seger jag värdesätter mest hittills i min karriär, säger Rosengvist.

Felix Rosenqvist lyckades under söndagen med det som ingen annan svensk tidigare har gjort. Han vann det klassiska stortävlingen i formel 3 på holländska Zandvoort.

Rosenqvist ledde från start till mål och körde över mållinjen drygt fem sekunder före tvåan Marco Wittmann, Tyskland.





# Den svenske racingtalangen blev historisk

55. Annika Billstam, orientering (37)

EXPRESSENS SVERIGELISTA 2012 Prisskånet hemma hos Annika Billstam h

fylldes det med tre nya VM-medaljer och så länge Annika Billstam kör vidare kommer vi att vara bortskämda med orientering i världsklass.

#### 54. Felix Rosenqvist, Formel 3 (NY)

Vår kanske största motortalang hade ett fantastiskt 2012. Fyra segrar, tio pallplatser och en fjärdeplats totalt i Europas formel 3-serie. Dessutom tvåa i Macau, formel 3:s inofficiella VM. Nu hoppas vi att 21-åringen blir Sveriges nästa F1-åkare.

#### 53. Caroline Hedwall, golf (25)

En ond höft förstörde nästan hela sommaren. Men Hedwall kom tillbaka direkt, hittade tron på spelet igen – och försvarade titeln i Uniga Ladies Open. Det är så man gör comeback

#### 52. Jens Byggmark, alpint (34)

"Byggis" bor i Monaco, gillar snabba bilar, minglar gärna runt i Båstads nattliv under sommaren i vit skiorta. Och är en jävel på att köra slalom

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2013-06-03

# Hyllas av F1-chefen

Felix Rosenqvist vann TRE F3-lopp: "Dörrar öppnas"



MOT FORMEL 1 Efter helgens succé har Felix Rosengvist stärkt sina aktier för att nå en plats i formel 1. Efter de tre F3-segrarna fick han även beröm av Mercedes F1-vd Toto Wolff. "Detta är en avgörande säsong för min framtid", säger Rosengvist.

### F1-mästaren hyllade Felix Rosenqvist inför tävlingen. Då vann han allt. Och hyllades av ett F1-team efteråt.

När Sportbladet träffade den tidigare F1mästaren Damon Hill påpekade han omgående att det finns en stor svensk talang som kör i F3.

I helgens EM-deltävling på Red Bull Ring i Österrike visade Felix Rosengvist att Hill har rätt. Han hade inte pole position i något av de tre loppen, men han vann samtliga. Han hade dessutom snabbaste varvet i varie lopp och satte ett nytt banrekord. Därmed är han

Ingen förare har tidigare vunnit samtliga lopp



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Felix Rosenqvist satsar på att vinna titlen i EM



Jakten mot en plats i F1 fortsätter.

I mästaren Sebastian Vettels hjulspår.

- Jag är här för att vinna race, och för att vinna titeln, säger Felix Rosenqvist.

Den 21-årige svenskens om var tvåa i världsfinalen för F3 förra året fortsätter sin satsning tillsammans med Mücke Motorsport i

Förra året körde han F3 Euro Series och EM, men till årets säsong är det FIA Formula 3 European Championship som gäller. Mästerskapet ä sanktionerat av internationella bilsportförbundet FIA och nu möts förare

## Spielberg European F3: Felix Rosenqvist adds spectacular third win

By Jamie O'Leary

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Felix Rosenqvist overtook Daniil Kvyat in stunning fashion to set up his third Formula 3 European Championship win of the weekend at Spielberg and further close on the series lead.

The Mucke Motorsport driver, whose result made him the first man to win three times in the series in a single round, started third on the grid and held the position through the first two corners as Raffaele Marciello and Kvyat disputed the top spot.

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But as the front two held each other up at the following corner, both Rosenqvist and Latifi's superior exits brought them alongside the pair.

Having safely outdragged championship leader Marciello into the Turn 4 braking zone, Rosenqvist then drove around the outside of Kvyat's Carlin machine through the two following high-speed left-handers.

# Felix Rosenqvist (S)

# CV HIGHLIGHTS:

2013 European F3 runner-up

2011, 2013 Masters

of F3 winner 2009 Swedish Formula Renault champion

### ACTUAL 2014 PROGRAMME:

Yet to be decided

### WHY WE'D PUT HIM IN F1:

A laid-back dude outside the car but with an indomitable spirit and spectacular driving style in it. Add to that fantastic racecraft, and here you have a driver who would pretty soon become a fan favourite. He ticks a lot of the same boxes as Kimi Raikkonen as far as his bullshit-free approach is concerned, yet he adds to this an obliging, wry personality. Finances (or lack of them) mean he's spent a lot of time in F3,

where he doesn't have to

find too much in the way

of personal budget, but

the next step has proved a tough one.

### WHICH TEAM WE'D PLACE HIM WITH:

Caterham - we'd love to see him winging his giantkilling way around the Toro Rossos and Saubers in the early laps of races before DRS takes control.

Marcus Simmons

# Nick **Tandy** (GB)

CV HIGHLIGHTS:

WHY WE'D PUT



## Startsidan / Sportbladet / Motor **Drömläge för Felix** Rosenqvist



Målet är en seger i världsfinalen. Förutsättningarna är riktigt bra. Felix Rosenqvist startar från första startled.

dagens kvalheat inför världsfinalen Macau Grand prix gjorde F3-föraren Felix Rosenqvist det han behövde. Han hade kontroll över händelserna, var uppe i ledningen under en

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period och han körd kvalracet snabbaste varv. I mål var han tvåa och därmed startar han från plats två i finalen. Alex Lynn har pole position. EM-segraren Raffaele Marichello, hade pole position i kvalracet och



## FIA F3 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP



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### THE CAREER LADDER: WHAT'S NEXT FOR FELIX?



The above illustration provides a rough picture of the current-day career structure in international motorsport.

To this day, Felix has attained necessary success at each level up to and including Formula 3 / GP3.

The FIA Formula 3 European Championship slots in among the most esteemed series on the junior single-seater ladder, with only the **GP2 Series** enjoying superior status. GP2 in turn acts as the final stepping stone to the very top echelons of the sport – including Formula 1.

### MEET THE STARS OF TOMORROW - TODAY

The FIA Formula 3 European Championship is one of the world's most competitive junior single–seater series, and the pinnacle of F3 racing.

### Felix Rosenqvist is the reigning champion.

The 2015 season featured a record-breaking grid, with more than 40 drivers being entered from across six different continents. A total of 33 races took place, spread over 11 exhilarating weekends.

A host of prominent car manufacturers – including Mercedes, Volkswagen and Nissan – view the FIA Formula 3 European Championship as an ideal proving ground for road-relevant technology, making the race for the title a hotly-contested clash between some of motoring's main actors.

Accentuating its importance for drivers on the road to Formula 1, a wide range of official talent schemes (Red Bull, Ferrari, Lotus and Mercedes to name a few) regularly place their most promising prospects in the FIA Formula 3 European Championship to allow them to hone their skills.

The vast majority of today's F1 greats have passed through the F3 ranks on their way to stardom. The list over previous F3 runners includes – but is far from limited to – the likes of Lewis Hamilton, Nico Rosberg, Jenson Button, Kevin Magnussen, Nico Hulkenberg and Sebastian Vettel.

Ayrton Senna, Michael Schumacher, Mika Häkkinen and Ronnie Peterson are others to have enjoyed victorious spells in Formula 3.

### 2015 CALENDAR

10-12 April	Silverstone (UK)
1-3 May	Hockenheim (Germany)
15-17 May	Pau (France)
29-31 May	Monza (Italy)
19-21 June	Spa (Belgium)
26-28 June	Norisring (Germany)
10-12 July	Zandvoort (the Netherlands)
31 July-2 August	Red Bull Ring (Austria)
4-6 September	
25-27 Sept.	Nürburgring (Germanya)
16-18 October	Hockenheim (Germany)

SPECTATORS 2014 stats

On-site average **58 900** 

Peak 126 000 (Norisring) Throughout his years in single-seater racing, Felix has gone up against – and beaten – several of the drivers currently employed in Formula 1.

Below is a compilation of facts and stats charting Felix's battles with some of the Grand Prix superstars:

### VALTTERI BOTTAS (Finland)

Williams-Mercedes

Best F1 result: 2nd (twice in 2014)

Bottas vs. Felix

Macau 2010-2011

### KEVIN MAGNUSSEN (Denmark)

McLaren-Honda (third driver)

Best F1 result: 2nd (2014 Australian GP)

## Magnussen vs. Felix

ATS F3 Cup 2010, Macau 2011,

Masters of F3 2011

Results comparison: Masters of F3 2011

1: Felix Rosenqvist, 25 laps

2: Marco Wittmann, +5.182s

3: Kevin Magnussen, +23.934s



### MAX VERSTAPPEN (the Netherlands)

Scuderia Toro Rosso-Renault

Best F1 result: 4th (2015 Hungarian GP)

Verstappen vs. Felix

FIA F3 EC & Macau '14 (**Felix 1st**, Verstappen 7th)

### DANIIL KVYAT (Russia)

Red Bull Racing-Renault

Best F1 result: 2nd (2015 Hungarian GP)

Kvyat vs. Felix

FIA Formula 3 European Championship 2013

Results comparison: overall 2013 campaign

Number of times racing each other: 21

Felix beat Kvyat: **18 times** Kvyat beat Felix: **3 times** 

Percentage: 86 % (Felix) / 14 % (Kvyat)



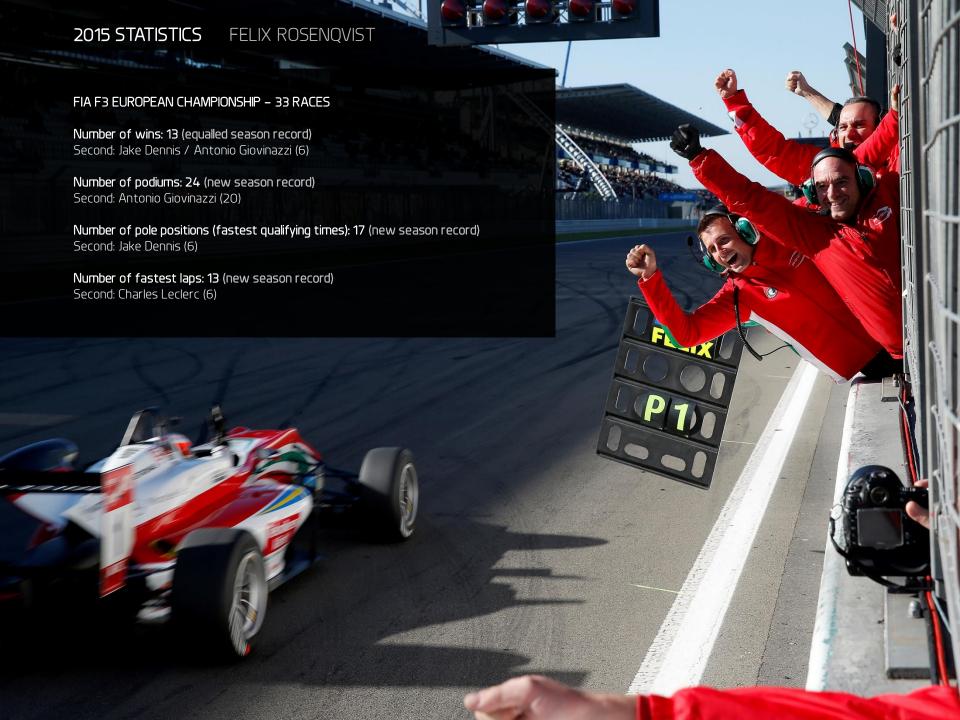
















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