



## A Lap of Bahrain with Mark Webber

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The Bahrain Grand Prix. I think of beautiful weather, not many people around and the first race of the season.

6.3k's, 49 laps all in all 308 kilometers, 4 high speed stretches, 6 low speed corners, 3 ideal spots for overtaking, top speed 305 kilometers an hour.

Here we are at the Bahrain Formula One circuit in the Red Bull simulator. It's the first race of the Formula One season.

Braking very, very hard for the first corner. It's a very, very slow hairpin and then immediately we're shifting up the gear into a quick kink up the hill, towards turn 4. Very open now the circuit, very wide. Braking hard for this corner and then we go onto the new part of the track, very slow part of the circuit to be honest.

Two right-handers, second one very, very tight. Accelerating away.

And then we will rejoin the circuit into a double sequence of corners, which is a bit faster. Coming down the hill into a very tight right-hander at the bottom of the hill, very difficult to get traction off this corner.

Into an extremely difficult left-hand corner combination of fast entry and very, very slow apex speed. Very easy to have wheel spin at the exit of that corner.

Then we are heading along the back straight towards a corner, which I quite enjoy. It's a third gear medium speed left-hander which is opening on the exit.

Now we go through a very fast part of the track. Really exposed - you can see the desert in the background. Into the penultimate corner very important to get a good acceleration there as you have another long straight.

The wind conditions play a big role in Bahrain with your top speeds and also your cornering performance. Braking for the last corner, slightly blind entry, very easy to run out of road on the exit, and that is a lap on the Bahrain circuit.