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TWO KIWIS REV UP FOR AUSTRIAN GRAND PRIX IN TYPICAL AUSTRIAN STYLE

Formula 1 | Austrian Grand Prix 2025 | 27th - 29th June | Red Bull Ring | 'Austriankiwi' challenges Visa Cash App Racing Bulls F1 driver on the race track | Tractor challenge and Austrian skills | Liam Lawson | Jonny Balchin | Tickets

What do an 'Austriankiwi' and a Formula 1 driver have in common? They both come from New Zealand, in fact from the same town. One, who has been living in Austria for several years now, shares what he has learnt about the peculiarities of the Austrian character and language with great humour on his social media channels. The other competes for the Visa Cash App Racing Bulls F1 team. Content creator Jonny Balchin has been teaching Liam Lawson some typical Austrian skills – driving tractors, "Schnitzel" cooking, yodelling and racing in leather pants – in the run-up to the 2025 Austrian GP. The results can be seen in a video posted on <https://win.gs/44knBBP>. Information about the programme and tickets can be found at www.redbullring.com.

Cookery basics, dialect training and fitness. No visitor to Austria should leave without trying a "Wiener Schnitzel". Any permanent resident in the country also needs to know how it is prepared and cooked. Jonny introduces Liam to the finer points and, along the way, gives him tips on typical Austrian phrases and the local variant of German so that he can master as many situations as possible and be well and truly ready for the Austrian Grand Prix: "Passt scho!" ("That's fine."). Drivers in the premier class of motorsport must, of course, keep themselves in top physical and mental shape. Regular training – including outside the cockpit – is important in order to keep up with the best athletes in this sport. Jonny does his best to perform well in a reaction test.

Echo of the Red Bull Ring. The third corner of the Red Bull Ring requires incredible braking power and enormous driving skill, which makes it a hotspot for wheel-to-wheel action. It is also the highest section of the 4.32-kilometre course, so T3 is obviously the best location for a yodelling challenge – the acoustics are eminently suited to producing an echo that resounds across the Grand Prix circuit.

Showdown between two 'Austrian Kiwis' in the tractor challenge. Jonny knows that Austrians like to wear "Lederhosen" (traditional leather pants) whenever the occasion allows. He designates Liam 'number two Austrian Kiwi' for successfully completing the set tasks and presents him with the perfect outfit for the final of the Austria Challenge. "Lederhosen" are a must in Steiermark! An F1 driver on a tractor? Why not? But an F1 star driving a tractor on a GP race track? That's something else. The Red Bull Ring makes it possible. **You can see how the two 'Austriankiwis' fared in the video here:** <https://win.gs/44knBBP>.

Side Events at Red Bull Ring – Tickets available. The Red Bull Ring is ready for the biggest sporting event of the year. Teams, drivers and, above all, fans always enjoy the atmosphere at the Red Bull Ring which is enhanced by an extensive supporting programme: it's the added factor that has made the Austrian GP so special over the years. Details of the programme at the race track, in the F1 Fan Zone and in the Steiermark Village can be found at www.redbullring.com/de/events-tickets/formel-1/formel-1-programm. Tickets are still available on site.

All information about tickets for the FORMULA 1 MSC CRUISES AUSTRIAN GRAND PRIX 2025 and the best ways of getting to Spielberg can be found at www.redbullring.com.