

Bahrain International Circuit

BIC launches second phase of popular Early Bird promotion on tickets to F1 Bahrain GP 2026

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Bahrain International Circuit (BIC), ‘The Home of Motorsport in the Middle East’, announced today the launch of the second phase of its Early Bird promotion offering a 10% discount on tickets to the Formula 1 Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix 2026.

Following the completion of the first phase and the huge demand from fans, BIC continues its incredible deals for the Kingdom’s biggest sporting and social event next year, taking place 10 to 12 April as the fourth round of the 2026 FIA F1 World Championship.

Fans are invited to take advantage of the unbeatable rates for the F1 weekend, which will be part of F1’s exciting and highly anticipated new era featuring transformative regulations and an 11th team joining the grid.

Furthermore, all those who purchase their tickets during the Early Bird promotion will be able to enjoy free entry to Bahrain’s second three-day session of F1 Pre-Season Testing 2026, scheduled for 18 to 20 February next year. This is a fantastic bonus for F1 fans who will be able to experience



two major F1 events with one single ticket.

To purchase tickets, visit BIC’s official website bahraingp.com or call the BIC Hotline on +973-17450000. Interested race-goers must act quickly as this promotional phase is only available for a limited period.

BIC’s 10% discount covers all ticket options across the circuit’s various grandstands, including the Main Grandstand, Turn 1 Grandstands, Beyon Grandstand, University Grandstand, and Victory Grandstand.

BIC’s Main Grandstand and Turn 1 Grandstand are two of the premier locations where fans can experience the most exciting action of the grand prix. The ticket prices are amongst the most affordable in the world for such seats, giving race-goers the best value for money to be a part of one of the most sought-after events in all of F1.

The F1 Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix 2026 will be the 22nd edition of the Kingdom’s race and the 13th time it will be taking place under lights.

Aside from F1, there will be plenty more exciting motorsport action with an international support series line-up, along with a world-class, off-the-track entertainment programme for the whole family to enjoy on all three days.

For more information on tickets, the F1 Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix 2026, F1 Pre-Season Testing 2026, or other events and experiences at BIC, visit bahraingp.com, call the BIC Hotline at +973-17450000, or follow the circuit on social media.

Man United draws Everton, West Ham blanks Bournemouth in US tour finales



Bruno Fernandes of Manchester United greets teammates after the match
AFP | Washington

Bruno Fernandes scored one goal and set up another as Manchester United drew Everton 2-2 on Sunday to capture the Premier League Summer Series title.

The Red Devils earned a final point in Atlanta to top the table with seven in the pre-season friendly tournament, having previously beaten West Ham 2-1 and Bournemouth 4-1 in the round-robin US tour.

“It’s improving,” Fernandes told Sky Sports after the match. “I think the club is doing the best that they can.”

“We needed more competition for the players that were here. We needed more quality to get everyone to step up a lit-

tle bit more, to have more to do to get into the first 11. I think that’s what the club is trying to do, the manager, and hopefully we can get one or two players more to help with that.”

Manchester United finished last season 15th in the Premier League, their worst showing since relegation in 1973-74, managing only 11 wins and nine drawn from 38 matches.

“I think a lot of people have suffered from this,” Fernandes said. “The fans pay more for the tickets and we really appreciate all the efforts they do for us.”

“So it’s up to us now players to repay it on the pitch.”

Fernandes said the club is working to improve from team and staff to facilities.

India edge England in Oval epic

Mohammed Siraj took 5-104, including three wickets on the final morning, to seal a narrow victory

- India win by 6 runs
- England collapse from 339-6 to 367 all out
- Series finishes 2-2

AFP | London

Mohammed Siraj was the hero as India beat England by just six runs in a thrilling fifth Test at the Oval yesterday to end the series level at 2-2.

England, set 374 to win, were bowled out for 367, with fast bowler Siraj taking 5-104, including a sensational burst of 3-9 yesterday’s final morning.

It is India’s narrowest winning margin in a Test match.

“To be honest, it is so amazing,” Siraj told Sky Sports. “From day one to here, everyone fought so hard so we are very happy.”

“I just wanted to make sure I hit the right areas, the wickets would fall, and anything else would be a bonus.

“When I woke up I believed I could do it.”

After resuming on 339-6, England lost four wickets for 28 runs on the final morning of a dramatic series.

The home side were soon 354-8 after Siraj, the leading bowler on either side this series, struck twice to remove Jamie Smith and Jamie Overton.

When injured England last



India players celebrate with fans

man Chris Woakes came in to bat with his left-arm strapped up owing to an injured shoulder, England still needed 17 more runs for victory.

Gus Atkinson hit a six off Siraj before England got the target down to single figures.

But Siraj set the seal on a superb series by bowling Atkinson (17) as he knocked over the batsman’s off stump to spark delirious scenes among the India team and their supporters in south London.

India were without Jasprit



India’s six-run win is their narrowest-ever margin in Test cricket history, surpassing a seven-run win over Australia in 1981

Bumrah at the Oval after deciding to stand by a decision to only play the world’s top-ranked Test bowler in three games of this five-match series.

Siraj, who featured throughout, ended the series with 23 wickets at 32.43.

Smith and Overton had struggled to get the ball off the square on their Surrey home ground Sunday.

And with play starting yesterday beneath grey skies, conditions favoured India’s quicks.

Overton pulled the first ball

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of the day, from Prasidh Krishna, for four -- a shot greeted by huge cheers from England fans in an impressively large Oval crowd -- and under-edged the second for another boundary

Siraj took up the attack from the Pavilion End and India’s Mohammed Siraj celebrates taking a wicket

promptly twice beat Smith on the outside edge.

And with the third ball of his over Siraj had Smith caught behind, without the batsman adding to his score, to leave England 347-7.

The next delivery saw new batsman Atkinson edge the lion-hearted Siraj just short of the slip cordon.

But it was his Surrey county colleague Overton who fell next, lbw for nine to a Siraj ball angling into his pads. Overton reviewed but Kumar Dharmasena’s decision was upheld on umpire’s call.

Tailender Josh Tongue was then given out lbw to Krishna but the batsman’s review saw the decision overturned.

England had been cruising to victory while Harry Brook (111) and Joe Root (105) were sharing a fourth-wicket partnership of 195 on Sunday.

However, Brook’s exit sparked a mini-collapse, with England losing three wickets for 36 runs