

THE 1000 MIGLIA 2021 STARTS WITH THE FIRST LEG FROM BRESCIA TO VIAREGGIO

At the start the 375 cars of the 39th Freccia Rossa, enthusiasm and emotion at the start

"Crossing the Future" is the theme of the 2021 edition: alongside the historic cars, there are the 1000 Miglia Green and the 1000 Miglia Experience

16 June 2021 – **The 1000 Miglia 2021** starts this afternoon from Brescia, its hometown. A route of over **1,600 kilometers** that this year includes an absolute novelty: the direction of travel is in fact reversed compared to previous editions, taking up the anti-clockwise direction already used in the original race.

At 1:30 p.m., preceded by the Frecce Tricolori, the first of the 375 historic cars departs for a leg that crossed Lombardy, Emilia-Romagna, Tuscany and Ligury touching some of the most evocative places of the four regions.

Franco Gussalli Beretta, President of 1000 Miglia srl: "The start of the new edition of the 1000 Miglia accompanies the restart of Italy and we have decided to underline the new course of the country by proposing, after a long time, an anti-clockwise route. It is a great emotion to see again the infinite beauty of the 1000 Miglia crossing our cities and villages."

In addition to the caravan of historic cars, also in this edition there will be the participation of several **special crews**, committed to cross the streets and squares along the route, gathering the warmth of the people who, like every year, greet the Freccia Rossa with enthusiasm. People will see the **Auto 1000**, an Alfa Romeo Sport Spider 1954 with **the TV presenter Camila Raznovich** on board and **the Pink Car**, the all-female car that aims to support the fundraising organized by 1000 Miglia Charity in favor of the WOMEN'S CANCER CENTRE.

On board of the car, a pink Aston Martin DBX, there will be several celebrities such as Caterina Balivo, Cristina Parodi, Francesca Piccinini and Melissa Satta, accompanied by Dr. Viviana Galimberti Director of the Division of Surgical Senology at IEO - European







Institute of Oncology.

Alberto Piantoni, Managing Director of 1000 Miglia srl: "This year's edition is undoubtedly an original one, not only because of the time of year, but also because of the atmosphere that one breathes. It is certainly a symbol of rebirth this 1000 Miglia 2021: this is demonstrated by the enthusiasm of the people and the drivers, also and above all of the crews coming from abroad, who can finally go back to enjoying the race, in full compliance with the safety regulations and of course wearing the necessary protective equipment. Now that we really see the light at the end of the tunnel, we must not drop our guard".

"Crossing the future" is the theme of the 2021 edition to represent the role of crossroads between tradition and future that has always characterized the 1000 Miglia.

The 13 cars of the **1000 Miglia Experience**, symbol of the future, are spectacular supercars and modern hypercars that, along a route designed ad hoc, will be able to participate in the most beautiful race in the world.

Also in the 2021 edition the **1000 Miglia Green** returns, a competition that follows the same route of the historical re-enactment, in which electric cars will participate, including the iconic **HYPER SUV VISION 2030**, **the all-electric concept car designed by Fabrizio Giugiaro**, who said: "This is my second 1000 Miglia, one of the most special things you can do with a car like this, in a competition where the history of the car is made, between tradition and future. Competing with a car like this means testing its faults but also understanding how to improve it even more. To the drivers who will race the 1000 Miglia Green I say have fun but always respect the rules of this competition."

After leaving the "Lioness of Italy", the cars drive through **Cremona, Busseto and Parma, Unesco Creative City for gastronomy in Italy** and a territory of villages and castles with an ancient and romantic charm, and then tackle what is considered one of the three iconic passes of the 1000 Miglia: **the Cisa**.

Camila Raznovich, Auto 1000, 1954 Alfa Romeo Sport Spider: "I have never participated in the 1000 Miglia: it is a new emotion for me! I am surrounded by a car more beautiful than the other. Moreover, I can't wait to start the journey, to discover Italy and its wonderful villages. This edition will be the one of the restart. The presence on the territory is a strong and indispensable signal for Italy, which is one of the most beautiful countries in the world. In my opinion, the 1000 Miglia is a great way to highlight our country".

Just before 21:00 the first cars are expected on **the seafront of Viareggio** for the **traditional leg dinner**, and then run the last kilometers to end the first of the four legs of this edition.

Great was the emotion of the participants for this edition of the 1000 Miglia 2021,



expressed by both veterans and rookies, who just before the start shared their thoughts and first impressions:

Dominiek De Clerck, driver of the Belgian Crew driving car No. 332 - 1955 Maserati 150 S and accompanied by navigator Elisabeth De Clerck:

"This is the ninth time I have participated. The beauty here in Italy and at the 1000 Miglia is everywhere: beautiful cars, people, as well as the emotions one feels driving in the most beautiful race in the world".

Matteo Belotti, driver of car no. 23 - Bugatti T37 A of 1927 and accompanied by navigator Francesca Belotti: "We are at the seventh edition. Every year is a new discovery for us thanks to the suggestive landscapes. Together with the emotion of the people, they make the 1000 Miglia unique and magical. I participate for passion but I still feel the competition alive. Last year we arrived 12th".

Albert Wetz, driver of car No. 55 - Alfa Romeo 6C 1750 Gran Sport Zagato of 1930 with navigator Simone Marchioni, commented: "The charm of the country, the warmth of the public and everything that characterizes this race are the elements that drive me to return every year. A passion that has brought me here for the 17th time".

Mario Gaburri driver of the car n° 377 - MG A of 1956, with the navigator Luigino Guido: "This is the first time I am participating in the 1000 Miglia and I am very excited. I've always known that the atmosphere of the 1000 Miglia was something unique and now that I'll be able to experience it first hand it's something entirely new".

Alongside the classic regularity race, this afternoon also **the new edition of the Ferrari Tribute 1000 Miglia** started from Desenzano del Garda, dedicated to the most beautiful and modern cars of the house of Maranello.

To follow the route of the race of the first leg:

Sector 1 - Brescia - Parma

<u>Sector 2 – Parma – Viareggio</u>

To follow live the results of the ranking: 1000 Miglia:

https://1000miglia.it/crono/2021/race/1/

Ferrari Tribute:

https://1000miglia.it/crono/2021/race/2/

