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Daniel Ricciardo, Red Bull racing's third driver in 2023

The return of the amiable Australian



Oracle Red Bull Racing once again opened its doors to the popular Australian driver, giving him a chance to rediscover his form. But as fate would have it, the reunion took an unexpected turn during the season.

The ever-smiling Daniel Ricciardo attracts the attention of fans at the 2023 British Grand Prix.

The announcement came as a surprise in November 2022: Daniel Ricciardo was returning to Oracle Red Bull Racing, the team where he had achieved memorable milestones between 2014 and 2018. This time, he was coming back as the team's third driver, providing back-up for the two factory drivers, Max Verstappen and Sergio Pérez. Although his new role was to be different, the Australian did not hide his excitement at this new challenge. "The smile says it all. I'm really excited to be back home," said Ricciardo, making it clear that he intended to be more than just a third driver.

Indeed, as soon as preparations for the new season began, Daniel took on the task of supporting Oracle Red Bull Racing with testing, simulator, and commercial activities. Team principal Christian Horner was clear about the importance of the Australian's appointment: "He is a tremendous talent and a brilliant character. His experience will help us develop the car." For Ricciardo,

the return was an opportunity to recharge his batteries after a turbulent period at McLaren.

A new phase

His comeback was not just limited to behind-the-scenes duties. In July 2023, Ricciardo was back in an Oracle Red Bull Racing car, the legendary RB19, during a Pirelli test at Silverstone. The sessions not only allowed him to provide the team with data, but also to remind himself of why he was one of the most outstanding drivers of his generation. "I think it's great to see that Daniel hasn't lost his form while he's been away from racing," said Horner after the Pirelli tests, highlighting the Australian's commitment.

But it was during the test, which also featured Nico Hülkenberg, Alexander Albon, and Mick Schumacher, that rumors began to swirl about Ricciardo's possible return to full-time Formula 1 racing. While Oracle Red Bull Racing made it clear that Sergio Pérez's seat was not in jeopardy, there was a sense of movement at AlphaTauri due to the poor performance of Nyck de Vries, who had joined the team earlier in the season in place of Pierre Gasly.



Team principal Christian Horner and Daniel Ricciardo enjoy a light moment at the 2023 Monaco Grand Prix.

A "loan" of convenience

On July 11, 2023, the confirmation came: Daniel Ricciardo would be loaned by Oracle Red Bull Racing to sister team AlphaTauri to replace Nyck de Vries for the remainder of the season. Although unusual, the decision did not come as a total surprise, as the Dutchman had failed to live up to the team's expectations after ten Grands Prix.

AlphaTauri's ATO4 did not offer the same performance as Oracle Red Bull Racing's formidable RB19, but Ricciardo could not resist the chance to return to the Formula 1 limelight. It was a new beginning for him.

The Australian driver made his debut with AlphaTauri in the Hungarian and Belgian Grands Prix, but the results were not what he expected. Although he showed glimpses of his talent, the car did not allow him to compete for points on a consistent basis. His best performance came at the Mexican Grand Prix, where he qualified fourth and finished a creditable seventh, restoring some optimism to the team.

In addition to the difficulty of joining the race mid-season, there were also some physical complications. During free practice for the Dutch Grand Prix, Ricciardo suffered a wrist injury that sidelined him for five races. He was replaced by

Peak success at Red Bull



Ricciardo celebrates after winning the 2018 Monaco Grand Prix on May 27, 2018. He set a record-breaking qualifying time to secure pole position and then led for the entire race.

Born in the Australian city of Perth on July 1, 1989, Daniel Ricciardo joined Red Bull Racing in 2014 after an outstanding season with Toro Rosso. During his five seasons with Red Bull, the Australian secured 29 podiums and eight victories, including iconic moments such as his win at the 2018 Monaco Grand Prix. His aggressive driving style, combined with a unique overtaking ability, made him a fan favorite. Arguably, fortune was not on his side and he did not achieve the results he had hoped for, so he ended up seeking better luck first with Renault (2019–20) and then McLaren (2021–22), before returning to the team that had made him shine the most on the racetrack. His return in 2023, albeit in a different role, was greeted with enthusiasm by the team and the fans, reaffirming his place in Red Bull Racing's history.



Ricciardo at the wheel of his AlphaTauri at the 2023 São Paulo Grand Prix, where he finished 13th.

Liam Lawson, who was able to display his potential. Through it all, Ricciardo kept his trademark smile. His positive attitude and experience were key to keeping the team's spirits up during a very difficult season.

Good mood and good music

In addition to racing with AlphaTauri, Daniel Ricciardo was keen to continue his active involvement with Oracle Red Bull Racing in a number of activities and promotional events throughout the year. In mid-October, for example, the Australian was the main focus of attention at the Red Bull Showrun Nashville, an impressive event that drew more than 30,000 motor racing enthusiasts to the Tennessee state capital.

With his renowned good humor and enjoying the great music of the birthplace of country, Ricciardo was happy to wear a cowboy hat and take part in karaoke, after being presented with a custom guitar and cowboy boots painted by artist Igor Customs. But what really got the crowd going was the sight of Ricciardo doing his thing behind the wheel of the spectacular RB7 on Lower Broadway.

In doing so, the winner of eight Grand Prix victories proved that he remains a beloved figure for fans and teams alike. His return to Oracle Red Bull Racing and his time at AlphaTauri only served to confirm his desire to continue racing at the highest level.

An unforgettable journey to the heart of Australia



The Australian driver pictured at the 2023 Australian Grand Prix in April 2023. The previous month he had taken the iconic RB7 on an epic promotional journey into the Australian outback.

In March 2023, Daniel Ricciardo treated his homeland to a unique and unforgettable show. As part of his return to the Oracle Red Bull Racing team, the charismatic Australian took the legendary 2011 World Championship-winning RB7 on an unprecedented adventure through the Australian outback. The purpose of the trip was not simply promotional. Ricciardo, true to his competitive spirit and always on the lookout for new challenges, used the road trip to get up close and personal with the unique conditions of his home country's terrain and prove that even a Formula 1 car can cope with unusual scenarios. "Taking the RB7 through the heart of Australia is something I've always wanted to do. It's my way of showing the world what an amazing country I come from," said Daniel with his ever-present smile.

The journey began amid dirt roads and barren landscapes. Ricciardo put the RB7 through its paces on terrain where few would imagine seeing a Formula 1 car. Images of the car braving the dust and rocks of the outback quickly went viral, captivating local fans and global F1 followers alike. The event culminated in an emotional tour of his hometown of Melbourne in the run-up to the Australian Grand Prix. For Ricciardo, the road trip was not only a celebration of his return to Oracle Red Bull Racing, but also a tribute to his roots and his connection to the unique landscapes of his home country.

The 2023 Spielberg Sprint

Verstappen dominates Austrian Sprint in the rain



The Oracle Red Bull Racing team maneuver the RB19 of Sergio Pérez, who started and finished the Sprint race in second place.

Nestled in the hills of Spielberg, Austria, the Red Bull Ring is not only one of the fastest circuits in Formula 1, but also one of the most iconic in Europe. Its history, marked by reinventions and successes, and its imposing location have made it a unique destination for speed fanatics. On July 1, 2023, the circuit put on a spectacle of a lifetime when it hosted the thrilling Austrian Sprint.

A tense start

The fans were hoping for a great time, not least because of the characteristics of the circuit. With just ten corners, the Red Bull Ring stands out as the track with the fewest corners in the championship and one of the fastest on which to complete a lap. The first sector of the circuit features a 90-degree corner that is taken at medium speed, followed by the straight into turn 2, which allows the drivers to put the pedal to the metal. The second sector, while featuring tight corners, offers a long straight between turns 3 and 4 that allows the cars to harness the power in all-wheel drive.



Max Verstappen won the Sprint race with a lead of 21.048 seconds over his teammate.

The changeable weather added to the tension at the start. The raindrops falling on Spielberg announced that the Sprint would be no ordinary race. From the very first moment, attention was focused on the two Oracle Red Bull Racing drivers: Max Verstappen and Sergio Pérez, who had secured the first two starting positions, based on the times set in the three sessions of the Sprint shootout. Behind them were Lando Norris, Nico Hülkenberg,

SPRINT CLASSIFICATION

1 **Max Verstappen** — Red Bull-Honda RBPT
2 **Sergio Pérez** — Red Bull-Honda RBPT
3 **Carlos Sainz Jr.** — Ferrari
4 **Lance Stroll** — Aston Martin A.M.
5 **Fernando Alonso** — Aston Martin A.M.
6 **Nico Hülkenberg** — Haas-Ferrari
7 **Esteban Ocon** — Alpine-Renault
8 **George Russell** — Mercedes
9 **Lando Norris** — McLaren-Mercedes
10 **Lewis Hamilton** — Mercedes
11 **Oscar Piastri** — McLaren-Mercedes
12 **Charles Leclerc** — Ferrari
13 **Alexander Albon** — Williams-Mercedes
14 **Kevin Magnussen** — Haas-Ferrari
15 **Pierre Gasly** — Alpine-Renault
16 **Yuki Tsunoda** — AlphaTauri-Honda RBPT
17 **Nyck de Vries** — AlphaTauri-Honda RBPT
18 **Logan Sargeant** — Williams-Mercedes
19 **Zhou Guanyu** — Alfa Romeo-Ferrari
20 **Valtteri Bottas** — Alfa Romeo-Ferrari



Checo was forced to battle hard for his second place in the Sprint race.

Carlos Sainz Jr., Charles Leclerc, and Fernando Alonso.

When the lights went out, the RB19s roared like raging beasts and both cars headed into the first corner side-by-side, with an edge-of-the-seat maneuver that left spectators breathless. Verstappen realized that Checo was ready to do battle. The champion had no choice but to fight back with all his might. Although Pérez tried to overtake at the start, Max kept his cool and quickly regained the lead. The Mexican, meanwhile, was caught in traffic with the Aston Martins and Ferraris, which affected his pace for the rest of the race.

Strategies in changing conditions

The weather played a crucial role throughout the race. Threatening clouds never left the landscape surrounding the circuit. Therefore, even though the track started to dry out, the teams had to take the risk of using intermediate tires or remain on rain tires. This choice made a significant difference to the lap times. Those who opted for early changes gained ground, but those who did not manage their tires well suffered more than they should have.

In this context, Fernando Alonso made the most of his Aston Martin, consolidating his position at the top. Meanwhile, the Ferraris of Charles Leclerc and Carlos Sainz Jr. performed well, but never posed a serious threat to Verstappen. Lewis Hamilton, on the other hand, put in a subdued performance in the Sprint, struggling to find the right pace.

As the race progressed, the Oracle Red Bull Racing champion distanced himself from the rest of the pack, setting fastest lap after fastest lap. Even in the changeable weather, Verstappen was on his own and it looked like his RB19 was running on rails. With undisputed authority, he took the checkered flag. His Sprint victory secured him not only vital championship points, but also an extra dose of confidence ahead of Sunday's main race.



Flanked by Sergio Pérez (L) and Carlos Sainz Jr. (R), Max Verstappen takes top spot on the Sprint race podium.

> The combination of speed, history, and natural beauty made for a great spectacle for the Red Bull Ring Sprint crowd.

Checo holds on

Oracle Red Bull Racing's Mexican driver did not achieve his goal of getting over the finish line first and had to put his foot down to hold on to second place. In fact, in the final stages of the Sprint, he had to fight with Fernando Alonso in a really vibrant duel, without losing sight of the fact that the Ferraris were behind, waiting for any mistake that would allow them to take a place on the podium. After a few minutes of uncertainty, Pérez managed to make up ground and secure second place, leaving Carlos Sainz Jr. in third. Lance Stroll finished the day in a solid fourth place, while Alonso in fifth continued to show signs of improvement in his car.

After this victory, Max Verstappen further consolidated his lead in the Drivers' Championship. The one-two also reaffirmed Oracle Red Bull Racing's dominance and the great show the RB19s could put on. Despite not providing as many points as a feature race, the Sprint had served as a potent morale booster for both the team and drivers ahead of Sunday's

Partners and rivals



The start of the 2023 Sprint race in Austria on July 1, 2023, sees Verstappen leading Pérez (R) and Nico Hülkenberg (L). The race began with a wet track, but as it dried out the teams had to decide whether to switch to intermediate tires.

In most teams, and Oracle Red Bull Racing is no exception, the drivers have a cordial relationship in the paddock, but as soon as they step onto the tarmac the competitiveness between them leaves no room for jokes. This ambivalence was perfectly reflected in the Sprint race at Spielberg. From the first corner, Max Verstappen and Sergio Pérez showed that, although the team prioritizes results, both drivers have the freedom to fight on the track.

The key moment of this duel came on lap 3, when the Dutchman overtook the Mexican in a pinpoint move that came close to allowing Germany's Nico Hülkenberg to take the lead. "It's exciting to see two teammates fighting with such intensity, but always respecting the limits," said Oracle Red Bull Racing team principal Christian Horner at the end of the race.

Despite the close start, the course of the race made clear the differences in the pecking order. Verstappen showed complete control after regaining the lead, while Checo had to do his best to hold his position. The rivalry during the Sprint did not prevent the two drivers from greeting each other with their usual warmth after the race.

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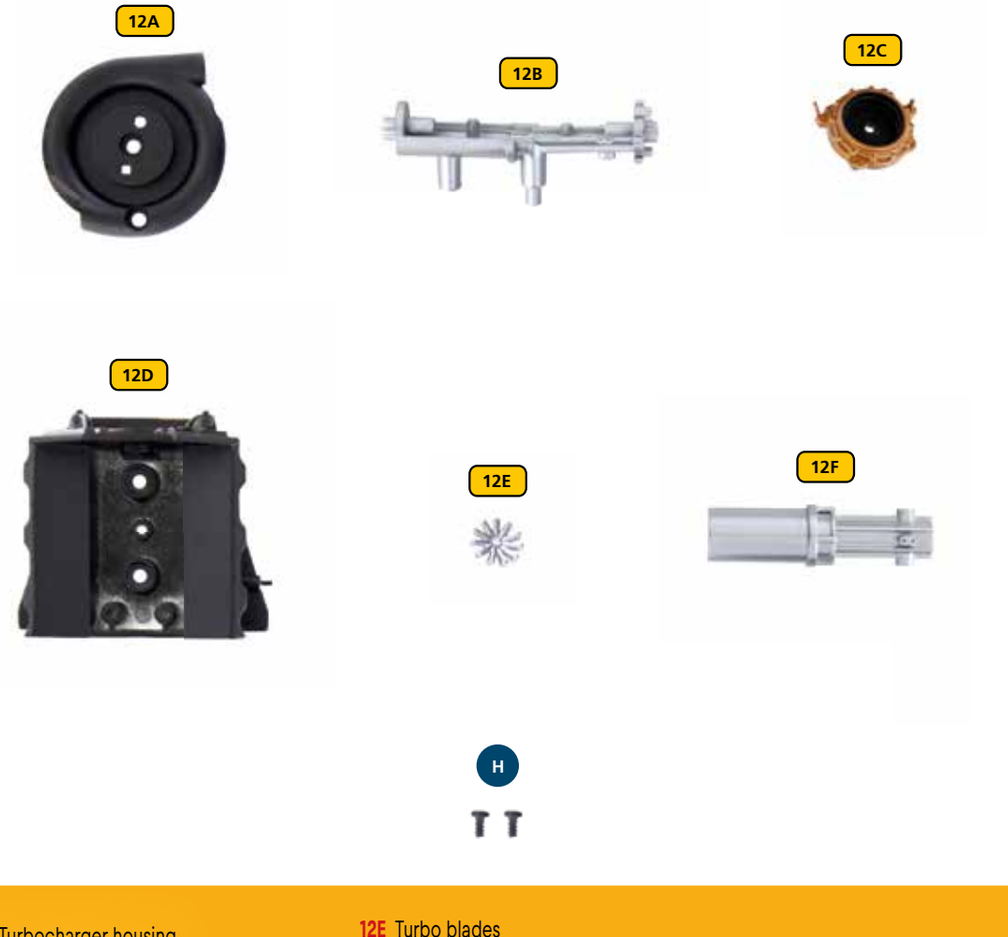
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LOWER CENTER BLOCK AND TURBO

In this issue, we start the assembly of the turbo on the engine block.

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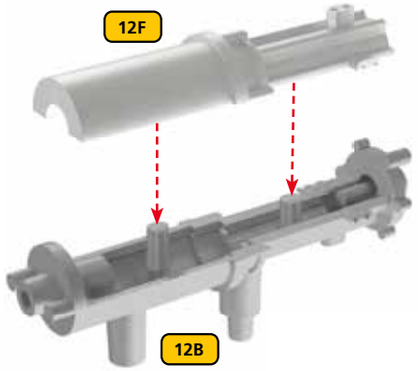


- **12A** Turbocharger housing
- **12B** Turbo shaft 1
- **12C** Turbo wheel
- **12D** Lower center block
- **12E** Turbo blades
- **12F** Turbo shaft 2
- **H** Screws 2.0 mm x 4 mm (1 + 1*)

* Spare screw

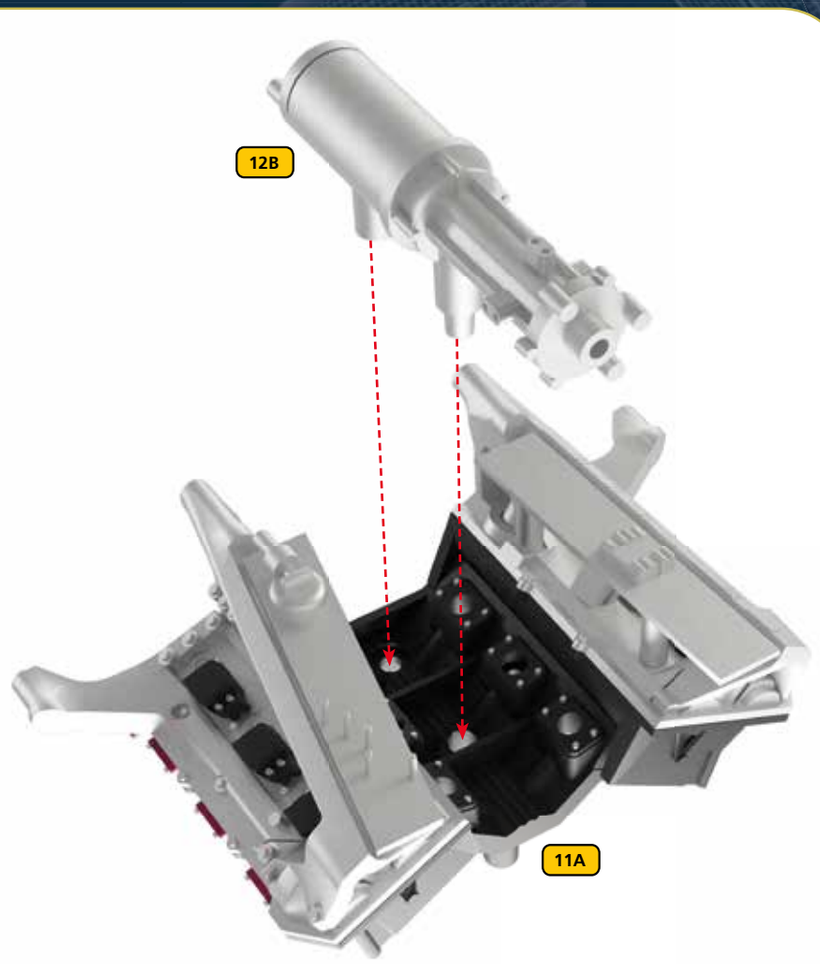
STEP 12-1

Start the assembly by fitting the turbo shaft 2 **12F** onto the turbo shaft 1 **12B**.



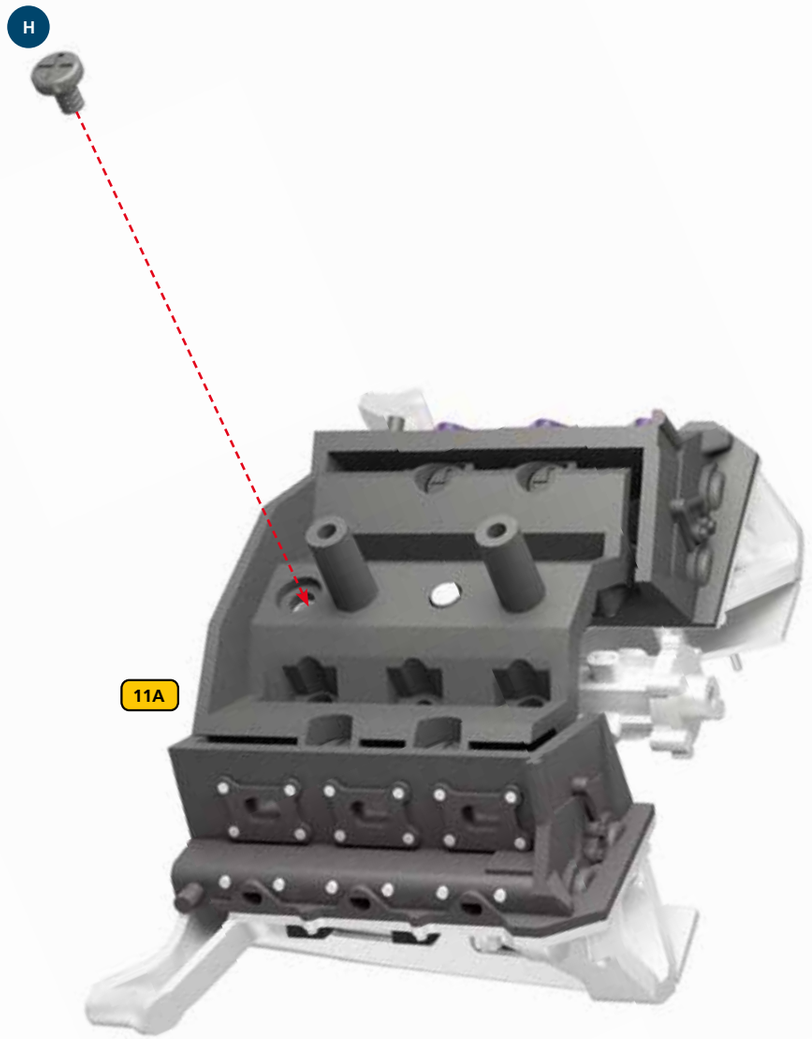
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Insert the two pins on the turbo shaft 1 **12B** into the two highlighted holes in the central engine block **11A**.



STEP 12-3

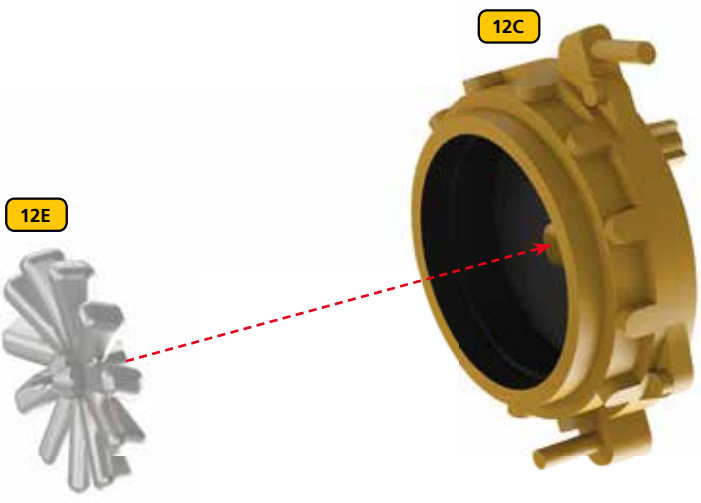
From the bottom of the central engine block **11A**, secure the turbo shaft with an **H** screw.



Lower center block and turbo

STEP 12-4

Insert the turbo blades **12E** into the turbo wheel **12C**.



FINAL RESULT



Keep the turbo housing **12A**, lower center block **12D**, and turbo wheel assembly **12C** aside for use in a later stage of assembly.