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# The "King of the Ring" wants his throne back at the German round of **MotoGP**

- Marc Márquez targets win number twelve at the Sachsenring
- Ducati rivals out to stop the eight-time world champion's winning run
- German team in fine form ahead of home outing

Hohenstein-Ernstthal. The Sachsenring is ready for the return of the king: ahead of this weekend's Liqui Moly Motorcycle Grand Prix of Germany (11th to 13th July), Marc Márquez has dominated the current season. The eight-time world champion, on his factory Ducati, has won six of the ten Grands Prix so far, and has also taken victory in nine of the ten sprint races. As a result, the Spaniard has already opened a 68-point lead over his brother and closest rival Álex Márquez. The 32-year-old is now out to make more history at the iconic circuit in Hohenstein-Ernstthal, as he looks to celebrate a remarkable twelfth victory at the Sachsenring in front of this magnificent backdrop.

It remains uncertain whether or not Álex Márquez will be able to start at the Motorcycle Grand Prix of Germany. The younger brother of Marc injured his left hand in a crash in Assen. Before this, the 29year-old had been in impressive form: at his home race in Jerez, Álex claimed the first win of his career in the pinnacle of motorcycle racing. Together with Marc, the two brothers have already finished onetwo on four occasions. While the Márquez family is dominating the MotoGP world at the moment, the rest of the field will be out to hit back at the Sachsenring. Francesco Bagnaia, the two-time world champion from the Ducati factory team, is particularly hungry to break the Márquez brothers' dominance. The Italian has won one Grand Prix this year and currently lies third in the overall standings.

Lurking behind the Ducati trio are two big-name riders: Frenchman Johann Zarco won in Le Mans for Honda, making MotoGP history with the first French success on home soil since 1954. Marco Bezzecchi from Italy led Aprilia to victory at the British Grand Prix in Silverstone. Then you have France's world champion from 2021, Fabio Quartararo, who has been particularly brilliant in qualifying, securing four pole positions on his Yamaha.

### German team shakes things up in Moto2 and Moto3

German competitors have caused quite a stir in Moto2 this year: chassis manufacturer Kalex from Bobingen near Augsburg leads the middle class again. Furthermore, the Liqui Moly Dynavolt Intact GP team from Memmingen lies second in the Team standings. Jürgen Lingg's team also includes the current leader in the world championship, Spaniard Manuel González. The 22-year-old has won four races so far, and has made it onto the podium on a further three occasions. Among his biggest rivals are compatriot Arón Canet (Fantic Racing Lino Sonego) and Diogo Moreira (Italtrans Racing Team). The latter became the first Brazilian to taste victory in Moto2 last time out in Assen.

































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With the season approaching the halfway point, the Moto3 class is looking like a foregone conclusion, with Spain's José Antonio Rueda (Red Bull KTM Ajo) dominating proceedings. The 19-year-old has won six races and finished third in another. This impressive level of consistency has helped him establish a 69-point lead over his compatriot and team-mate Álvaro Carpe. Just one point further back is Ángel Piqueras (Frinsa – MT Helmets – MSi), also from Spain. Liqui Moly Dynavolt Intact GP has also been successful in Moto3: the team helped Spaniard David Muñoz to his first Grand Prix victory at the Grand Prix of Aragón at the start of June.

## Tickets available online and on the gate

Tickets for the Liqui Moly Motorcycle Grand Prix of Germany start at € 39 and are available online at adac.de/motogp, by phone on 03723/8099111, or by E-mail to info@sachsenring-event.de. Under 14s have free admission to standing areas when accompanied by a paying adult. New this year: for just € 5 the child ticket makes a nice souvenir and comes with an emergency contact function.

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