

## VALTTERI BOTTAS

- Nationality: Finnish
- Born: 28th August 1989
- Job description: Race Driver
- Height: 1.73m
- Weight: 67kg

### *Career Highlights*

2013 - 2014	Race Driver for Williams
2012	Official Reserve Driver for the Williams F1 Team
2011	GP3 Series champion
2010	Formula 3 Euroseries, 3rd overall Masters of Formula 3, series champion – first driver to win the title twice
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2008	Formula Renault 2.0, series champion: 12 wins, 13 poles Formula Renault 2.0 Eurocup, series champion: 5 wins, 7 poles
2007	Formula Renault 2.0, 3rd overall: 2 wins, 2 poles
1994-2006	Karting: multiple title winner and seven years in the National Karting squad

Valtteri Bottas began his career racing karts at the age of six. Over the next decade he amassed countless race wins, many championships and a seven-year stint in Finland's National Karting squad.

After winning three prestigious kart titles in 2006, Valtteri moved into single-seaters. He won both the 2008 Formula Renault Eurocup and the 2008 Formula Renault Northern European Cup, winning 17 races from 28 starts.

Despite not winning a race in 2009, Valtteri claimed two poles and secured third in the Formula 3 Euroseries. In June of the same year he won the Masters of Formula 3 at Zandvoort, a title he won again in 2010 and he remains the only driver ever to have won the title twice.

Valtteri remained with ART's F3 team in 2010, securing two victories en route to third place in the championship. In 2011 he won the GP3 Series at the first attempt, claiming a win at each of the last four race weekends to secure the title in the penultimate race.

He was assigned test driver for Williams in 2010 and '11, before becoming Official Reserve Driver in 2012 taking part in 15 practice sessions over the course of the season. After impressing the team, he was duly promoted to Race Driver and competed in his debut FIA Formula One World Championship season with the Williams F1 Team in 2013.