

# Schumacher returns to Formula One

Arguably the greatest driver in Formula 1 history, Michael Schumacher has come out of retirement to join Mercedes F1 alongside team principal Ross Brawn, the mastermind behind all seven of Schumacher's world titles

## 1991

Formula 1 debut for **Jordan** at Belgian GP. Signs for **Benetton** a week later



## 1992

First GP win in Belgium

## 1993

Wins Portugal GP

## 1994

Wins first F1 title amid controversy, colliding with **Damon Hill** in title decider in Australia. Season marred by death of **Ayrton Senna** at Imola

## 1997

Finishes second in championship but disqualified after driving into title rival **Jacques Villeneuve** in final race of season

## 1998

Takes title race to season finale at **Suzuka**, but loses to **Mika Hakkinen** after stalling on grid

Breaks leg in British GP and unable to compete in six races. Returns to help Ferrari win first championship since 1983

## 2003

Fights back after poor start to season to clinch record sixth title ahead at final race in Japan

Ferrari F2003-GA

## 2004

Wins 13 of 18 races, amassing record 148 points

Ferrari F2004

## 2005

Loses crown to **Fernando Alonso** as Bridgestone tyres prove no match for **Renault** and **McLaren** rivals

## 2006

Retires from F1 after taking title race down to final Grand Prix

## 2000

Wins third world title, becoming Ferrari's first driver's champion since 1979

Ferrari F2001

## 2001

Wins 52nd F1 race to break **Alain Prost's** record

## 2002

Finishes in top three in every race – winning record 11 – on way to fifth world title, which equals **Juan Manuel Fangio's** 45-year-old record.

Ferrari 248

## 2009

Forced to call off temporary comeback as stand-in for injured driver **Felipe Massa** owing to neck injury

## 2010

Signs reported £6.2m three-year contract to race for **Mercedes F1**, at age 41



## 1995

Retains world title, 33 points ahead of runner-up Hill. Benetton wins its first constructors' championship

Benetton-Ford B194

Benetton-Renault B195

## 1996

Joins **Ferrari** to turn team's fortunes around. Wins first Grand Prix for team in wet Barcelona despite poor start



Ferrari F2002