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120 years in racing – ŠKODA Motorsport celebrates with limited ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120

- › ŠKODA Motorsport honours 120th anniversary of debut in motorsports with special production series of the successful ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo
- › ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 available in twelve units only, featuring extra technical features, additional accessories and special livery
- › ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 also offers main performance enhancing upgrades of 2021 ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo

Mladá Boleslav, 12 March 2021 – To honour its 120th anniversary in racing, ŠKODA Motorsport created the limited ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120. Only twelve units of this special version of the successful rally car will be available. The ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 offers the majority of technical upgrades introduced for the 2021 ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo, complemented by additional equipment, a special livery and exclusive accessories. Orders for the ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 are open.

In 2021 ŠKODA celebrates its 120th birthday in motorsports. Over the decades, the Mladá Boleslav based company went from long distance races with motorbikes to hill climbs, circuit racing and rallies on four wheels. On the way, ŠKODA collected countless victories, most recently dominating the WRC2/WRC2 Pro category of the FIA World Rally Championship.

To honour the brand's 120 years of racing tradition, ŠKODA Motorsport presents a limited edition of its successful customer rally car. The ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 will be sold in twelve units only. Each of them will not only include the majority of the technical upgrades of the 2021 ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo, it also comes with a variety of extra features. In addition to the standard equipment of the newest model, the ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 includes a set of green painted magnesium wheels and a full pod of extra LED lights plus LED corner lights.

An additional full package of extra internal accessories based on factory crews experience is part of the standard configuration. This includes storage bags or nets for personal belongings, tools, spare parts or additional equipment. More comfort improving accessories like camel bags for drinking water, bottles for car liquids, belts, holders and much more complete the package of extras. The limited edition equipment also brings a unique Edition 120 welcome screen for both monitors in the cockpit, a special car livery plus a plaque identifying the production number. A certificate of authenticity, useful ŠKODA merchandise like a backpack and an exclusive ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo model car (1:18 scale) with identical looks round up the special offer.

"The limited production ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 is an all-inclusive version of the 2021 upgraded car. With the package of improved parts, it not only offers a further developed version of our championship winning car. With its exclusive features, the limited Edition 120 is also a veritable collector's car," says Michal Hrabánek, Head of ŠKODA Motorsport.

The ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 features all non-optional contents of the general 2021 upgrade package. These updates concern the improved engine, where the goal for the technicians was to improve the gas exchange and mixture preparation in the combustion chamber. This was realised with a newly designed and more efficient intercooler, optimized exhaust manifold, new



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valve timing as well as a new setup of the electronic mapping. These modifications improve the overall performance and characteristics of the engine as well as increase the maximum power output by two kW up to 214 kW, depending on fuel quality. Newly calibrated dampers provide even better traction and car stability on all types of surfaces, giving the driver more trust in the car.

Next to even better performance improved reliability was a major topic for the 2021 upgrades of the ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo. A stronger rear axle subframe minimizes the risk of damage on rough roads. For the gravel version of the ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo a special cooling device for the rear brakes, originally homologated for tarmac use only, will be included. The engine of the ŠKODA sFABIA Rally2 evo in 2021 spec – and thus of the ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 – is equipped with a redesigned lubrication system with improved function in dynamic modes. Modifications include a newly designed intake strainer and optimized geometry of baffle plates in the oil sump to improve turbocharger oil feeding and its reliability. Another result of these changes is a reduced oil level. Newly arranged steering wheel buttons, up to eight for different functions, as well as a redesigned mounting for the jack further improve crew comfort. All upgrade parts for the latest version of the ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo are already homologated.

Buyers of the limited ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 can choose to add more options. These include a longer gear set, which makes the gearbox better suitable for rallies with high average speed by increasing the top speed to 202 kph. Especially for low grip surfaces, ŠKODA Motorsport also offers a third set of differential ramps (48/70), which can be used both on gravel and tarmac stages.

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The limited ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 comes with a whole package of additional equipment including LED light pod and green painted magnesium wheels

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The ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo Edition 120 welcomes the crew with a special start screen on both cockpit monitors

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ŠKODA Motorsport Overview

ŠKODA has been successful in motorsports since 1901. Be it on the circuit or in rallies, ŠKODA has celebrated victories and won titles all around the world. Historical highlights include victory in the European Touring Car Championship 1981 as well as multiple titles in the FIA World Rally Championship's WRC2 category. Over the years, ŠKODA customer teams also won numerous national championships as well as titles in the FIA European Rally Championship (ERC), the der Intercontinental Rally Challenge (IRC), the FIA African Rally Championship (ARC), the FIA North American and Central American Rally Championship (NACAM), the FIA South American Rally Championship (CODASUR) and the FIA Asia-Pacific Rally Championship (APRC). ŠKODA teams have also triumphed in the world's oldest and most famous rally, taking several class victories in the legendary Rallye Monte-Carlo, which was first held in 1911.

In 2009, the ŠKODA FABIA SUPER 2000 took the rally scene by storm. The following seasons, the all-wheel-drive rally car with a 2.0 litres normally aspirated engine won 50 national and international titles worldwide. It then wrote the most successful chapter in ŠKODA's motorsport history – until its successor surpassed it. The ŠKODA FABIA R5, a production-based rally car with four-wheel drive and 1.6 litres turbo engine, was homologated in its original form by the International Automobile Federation FIA on 1 April 2015. Further developed to ŠKODA FABIA R5 evo (homologated on 1 April 2019), the high-tech car successfully continues the long tradition of ŠKODA Motorsport. Due to changes in regulations, the car was re-named ŠKODA FABIA Rally2 evo in 2020.

The success story of the ŠKODA FABIA R5 took off in 2016, when Esapekka Lappi (FIN) won the WRC2 drivers' title of the FIA World Rally Championship. The following year, Pontus Tidemand (SWE) won the WRC2 drivers' category, while ŠKODA Motorsport took the WRC2 manufacturers' title. In 2018, ŠKODA factory driver Jan Kopecký was crowned WRC 2 drivers' champion. 2019 was the most successful year in the history of ŠKODA Motorsport. Kalle Rovanperä and Jonne Halttunen (FIN/FIN) won the WRC2 Pro drivers' and co-drivers' title as well as substantially supporting ŠKODA Motorsport to win the WRC2 Pro manufacturers' title. In 2020 ŠKODA customer team Toksport WRT became Team Champion of the WRC2 category.

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- › currently offers its customers ten passenger-car series: the CITIGO^e iV, FABIA, RAPID, SCALA, OCTAVIA and SUPERB as well as the KAMIQ, KAROQ, KODIAQ and ENYAQ iV.
- › delivered more than one million vehicles to customers around the world in 2020.
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- › operates at three locations in the Czech Republic; manufactures in China, Russia, Slovakia and India mainly through Group partnerships as well as in Ukraine with a local partner.
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