

## Emerson Fittipaldi - Heart of a Racer

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At the age of 25, Emerson Fittipaldi was crowned the youngest-ever Formula One World Champion. He won the title again two years later, proving that he was one of the most outstanding talents of his generation.

In this latest addition to his well-received driver biography series, Karl Ludvigsen tells the whole enthralling story of Emerson's rise to fame.

Emmo, as he is known by legions of fans, began his motorsport career in Europe. As the son of a well-known Brazilian motor racing journalist, he started racing motor bikes but soon moved to karts. In 1967, he and his older brother, Wilson Jr, built their own karts and won everything in sight. Knowing that any future in motorsport led through England, he travelled to the distant shores – and the rest is history. His driving was smooth and controlled, trademarks that would continue throughout his career.

After a brief retirement, the bold Brazilian forged a second magnificent career in IndyCar racing in 1984. He soon became a crowd favourite with his open love of racing and his gracious attitude towards his fellow drivers. His smooth style and experience would result in two Indianapolis 500 victories. He finally retired for good after sustaining neck injuries in the US 500 in Michigan in 1996.

Fittipaldi remains involved in motorsport on different levels and is still a much-loved and respected icon of the sport.

