

# RECARO

## GET INTO A WHOLE NEW WORLD

For road and track: The RECARO Podium GF in Glass Fiber



*FROM SUMMER 2023,  
ALSO AVAILABLE WITH  
SIDE AIRBAG*





# UNCOMPROMISING PERFORMANCE MEETS BREATHTAKING DESIGN.

It's not just the Podium GF's sleek outline or motorsport-inspired pads in varying sizes that make heads turn. It stands out because of its superior quality and exceptional performance on all road types.



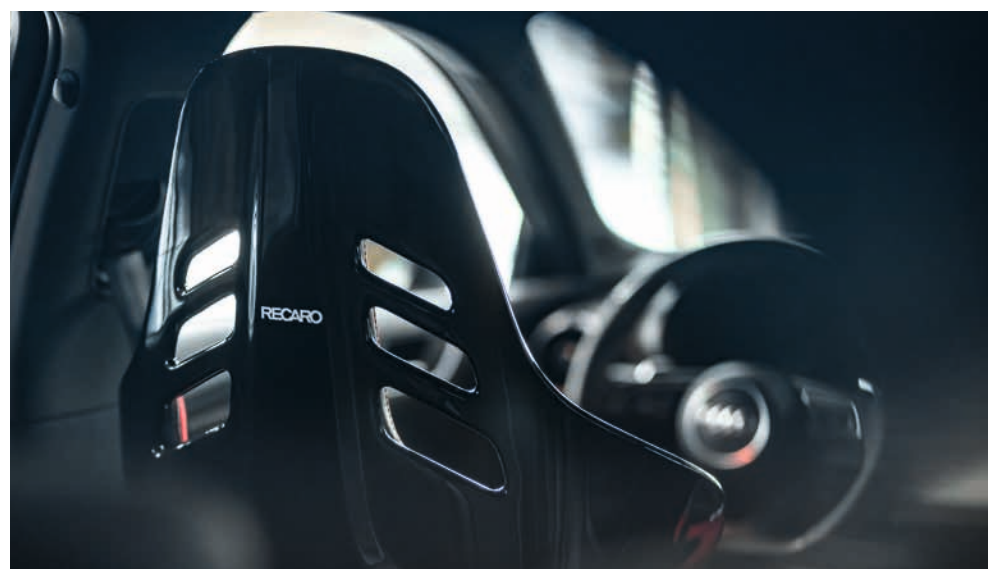
**The RECARO Podium – now also available in glass fiber reinforced plastic (GFRP).** The new RECARO Podium GF is much more than a thoroughbred GFRP shell seat. A pioneering seat design for the differing demands of road and track: an unparalleled dynamic ride, whether you're commuting to work or competing to win. What's more, the RECARO Podium is the only retrofit shell seat on the market that is approved for use on public roads and has FIA homologation.



General type approval/  
component certification\*: KBA No. 91909  
(Federal Motor Transport Authority)



FIA 8855-1999 (Competition Seat)\*\*

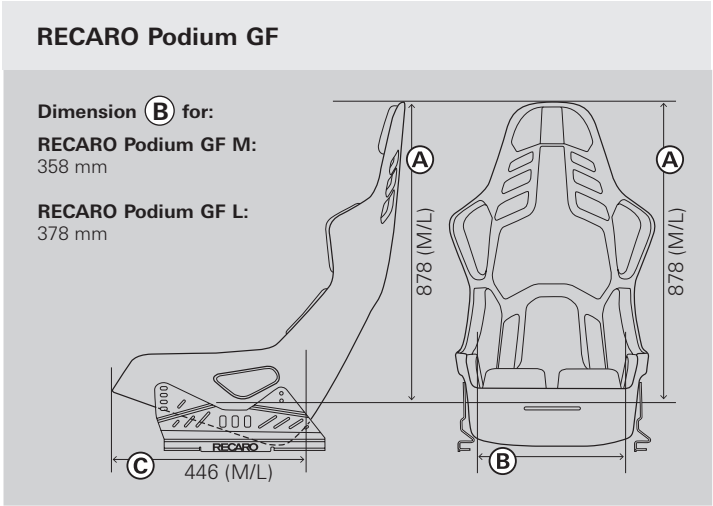


**\* Seat with general type approval (ABE)/component certification with 3-point belt available for many vehicles.**  
For further information on specific vehicles, please contact an authorized RECARO partner (ABE/component certification only in conjunction with RECARO baseframe and sidemount).

**\*\* FIA homologation 8855-1999** only in conjunction with the specified sidemount. Homologation number pending at the time of printing.



**A guaranteed place on the podium.** To meet our consistently high standards of innovation, quality, comfort and, most importantly, safety; the RECARO Podium GF is made of extremely resilient glass fiber reinforced plastic (GFRP). Only the carbon fiber RECARO Podium CF can beat this in terms of motor sport technology. The shell is still amazingly light – but, of course, that goes without saying.



# RECARO PODIUM GF.

- Standard features**
- + Glass fiber reinforced plastic (GFRP) seat shell
  - + RECARO Podium GF **M**: with pads for medium build drivers
  - + RECARO Podium GF **L**: with pads for larger build drivers
  - + ABE and FIA homologation
  - + Suitable for track and road
  - + Sporty seat performance
  - + Sleek racing seat look
  - + Special lateral support
  - + Specially formed shoulder support
  - + Integrated headrest
  - + High-grade surface in mirror-finish black gelcoat
  - + Road use: with 3- or 4-point belt
  - + FIA: with 4-, 5- or 6-point belt
  - + Developed for the use of HANS systems<sup>1</sup>
  - + **One of the lightest seats in the world<sup>2</sup>:**  
RECARO Podium GF M: approx. 11.0 kg  
RECARO Podium GF L: approx. **10.9 kg** (including pads in black velour)
  - + Net seat weight: only approx. 8.5 kg

- Options (at additional cost)**
- + Seat cover options with Alcantara®/leather
  - + Side airbag<sup>3</sup> (available from summer 2023)



<sup>1</sup> Temporary removal of pad and pad pins recommended.

<sup>2</sup> One of the lightest seats in its class: category retrofit seats with road approval and FIA approval.

<sup>3</sup> No FIA approval if used with a side airbag.





## PEAK BODY SUPPORT PERFORMANCE.

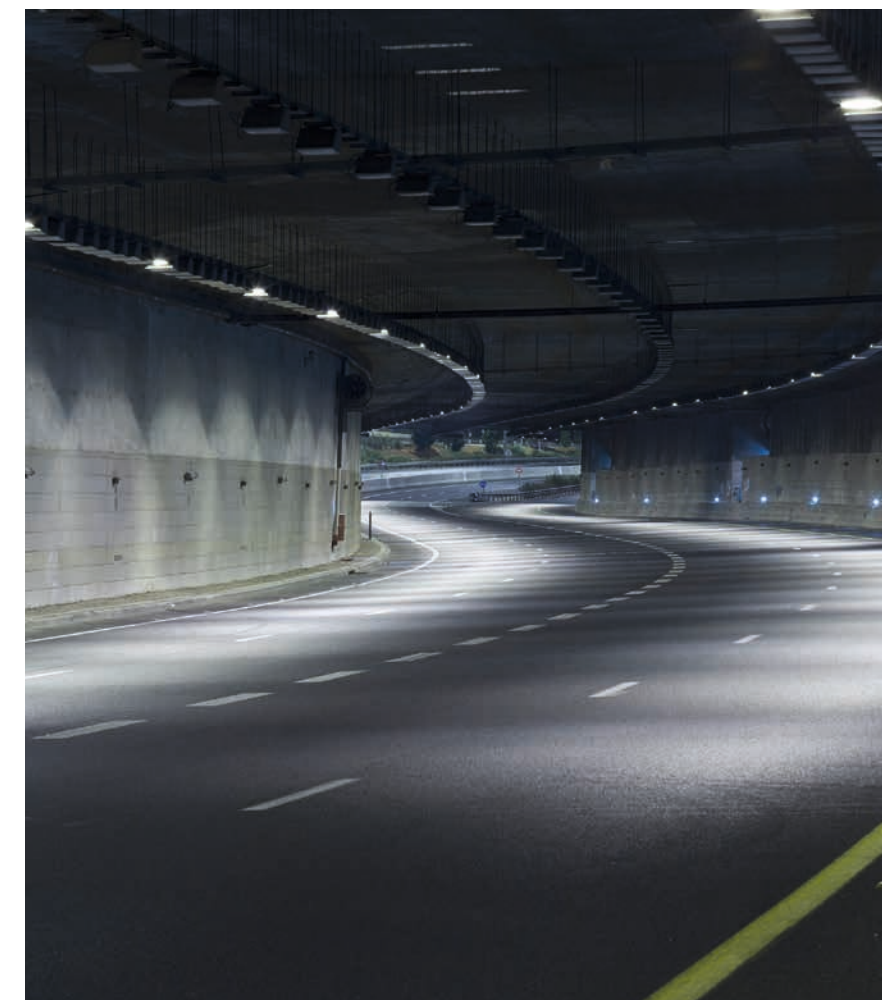
**Peak performance.** The driver's seat plays a key role in this, especially if the driving style is sport focused. The better your sitting position, the sharper your reactions and the more fully you have the vehicle under control. With a snug, supportive structure and side bolsters for excellent shoulder and torso support, the RECARO Podium GF stabilizes the body against lateral forces. When developing the RECARO Podium, we tested it on the toughest racetracks in the world. The result: controlled cornering – even at the extremes. And a “calculated thrill” of maintaining control while being faster – by design.

**Body Support.** The RECARO Podium GF fits like a glove. And it feels like sitting IN the seat and not ON it. We call it Body Support, and this is what all RECARO Automotive seats have in common. With a RECARO Podium GF, man meets machine, the road becomes a playground that gives the driver instant feedback. It boasts a low center of gravity, firm, compact upholstery, and the necessary freedom of movement for the arms.



Jean Pierre Kraemer  
Tuner, TV presenter and  
CEO of JP Performance

“Extremely cool –  
when it comes to body support,  
the Podium does all the work. And yet  
it's also unbelievably comfortable!”





# SIT BACK AND ENJOY.

**A very special seating experience.** An ergonomic sitting position means a comfortable position, be it on the road or racetrack. Thanks to the varying pads, the RECARO Podium GF is available in two sizes: size M for medium build drivers and size L for larger build drivers. This means the shell can be customized for optimal comfort and fit. The beauty of the pads' design is that they are expertly shaped to fit the contours of your body. This allows air to circulate through the seat as a built-in cooling system.



## OUTSTANDING ERGONOMICS.

The Ergonomics Seal of Approval (AGR) helps drivers choose back-friendly products. The RECARO Podium was the first racing shell to receive this prestigious seal.



### RECARO Podium GF M for medium build drivers

The RECARO Podium M is suitable for medium build drivers. The approx. **20 mm** thick pads are available in all of the listed cover options.



### RECARO Podium GF L for larger build drivers

The RECARO Podium L is suitable for larger build drivers. The approx. **10 mm** thick pads are available in all of the listed cover options.



**Experts in ergonomic design.** This support is vital, as being behind the wheel forces you to sit passively – one of the worst possible positions for your body. Depending on the route, driving style and road surface, factors like centrifugal force, deceleration and vibrations come into play. RECARO Performance seats like the Podium GF can compensate for these factors by providing support and protection through an ergonomic seat structure, body-hugging contours, firm upholstery, and pronounced side bolsters.



**AGR:** Approved and recommended by Healthier Backs Association (Aktion Gesunder Rücken e.V.) and the Federal Association of German Back Schools (BdR) e. V. For more information, contact: AGR e. V., Stader Str. 6, 27432 Bremervörde, Germany, Phone +49 4761 926 358 0, [www.agr-ev.de/en/back-friendly-products/back-friendly-products/4853-car-racing-shells](http://www.agr-ev.de/en/back-friendly-products/back-friendly-products/4853-car-racing-shells)



**Every inch is luxurious.** Only the perfect combination of color, form and manufacturing meets RECARO's premium standards. Lightweight glass fiber reinforced plastic (GFRP) and high-end foams and textiles make the RECARO Podium GF a very unique sensory experience. A great deal of traditional craftsmanship goes into our seats as well. From the pad seams and shell lamination to the superb finish, the finely honed skills of our craftspeople shine through.



## MADE-TO-MEASURE. RIGHT DOWN TO THE TINIEST DETAIL.



**A perfect fit.** The RECARO Podium GF is like a tailor-made race suit. It fits perfectly, effortlessly underlining the car's and driver's personality by combining sportiness, the ultimate in functionality, premium quality and individual style. Only products made with passion and skill make you feel this special. Our seats are crafted to perfection using the finest materials. Consistent down to the tiniest detail, they excel in sporty, dynamic driving.





Black velour



Red Alcantara®/Black leather

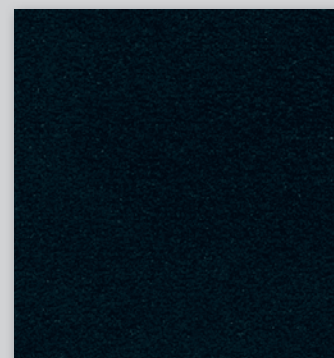


Black Alcantara®/Red leather

## ALCANTARA

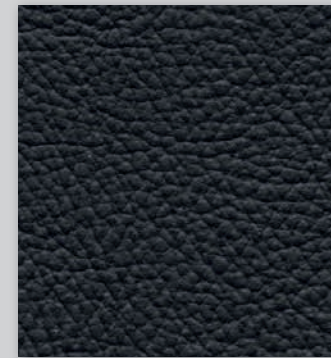
Alcantara® is a carbon-neutral fabric made in Italy that is unrivaled in its aesthetics, technology and feel. The soft fabric exudes elegance, but is also breathable, lightweight and hard-wearing, giving your vehicle interior an exclusive and sophisticated allure.

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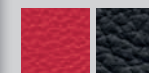
### Velour:

A robust, easy-care fabric which is also used as the upholstery for RECARO motorsport racing shells.



### Leather:

RECARO leather is a high-quality, durable, natural product designed for exacting requirements. Sustainably produced in Italy, it is manufactured to the most stringent legal standards.





# REVOLUTIONARY BY TRADITION.



*Our first ads  
under a new name.*

In 1965, RECARO unveiled its sports seat at the International Motor Show in Frankfurt, revolutionizing car seating. Following soon after in 1967 came the first road-legal shell seat – the RECARO Rally. In 1974 we developed the Rally II, the first recliner shell seat for road use. Its successor the Rally III, and our Pole Position (ABE), launched in 2005, are still regarded as milestones in our shell seat development.



**1967**  
RECARO  
RALLY I



**1974**  
RECARO  
RALLY II



**1979**  
RECARO  
RALLY III



**2005**  
RECARO POLE  
POSITION (ABE)



**1963 – 2023: We're celebrating 60 years of the RECARO brand**

RECARO has been setting new standards for 60 years. Our roots go way back to the "Stuttgarter Carosserie- und Radfabrik" founded in 1906 by master saddler Wilhelm Reutter. The company developed and produced car bodies for all major manufacturers, including the interior fittings, so seat specialization was the next logical step. In 1963, REutter CAROsserie became seat specialist RECARO.



# FOR TRUE FANS OF THE BRAND: RECARO LIFESTYLE.

You know that feeling you get with RECARO of owning something special? Well you can now experience that feeling beyond your car: With the RECARO Lifestyle Collection, we are bringing our dynamic, high-performance brand directly from the road and the racetrack right into your home!

Visit our online shop for collections and high-quality products to suit every taste:

**[shop.recaro-automotive.com](https://shop.recaro-automotive.com).**



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