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DANIEL SUÁREZ

Toyota Certified Used Vehicles Team Report

Round 1 of 36 – 62nd Daytona 500 – Daytona

Car No.: 96 – Toyota Certified Used Vehicles Camry

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Primary Team Members:

Driver: Daniel Suárez
Hometown: Monterrey, Mexico

Car Chief: Mark Hillman
Hometown: Lockport, New York

Engine Specialist: Kirk Butterfield
Hometown: Carrollton, Ohio

Crew Chief: Dave Winston
Hometown: Miami, Florida

Engine Builder: Toyota Racing Development
Headquarters: Costa Mesa, California

Spotter: Steve Barkdoll
Hometown: Garrison, Iowa

Over-The-Wall Crew Members:

Gas Man: Cory White
Hometown: Vinson, Iowa

Jackman: Joel Bouagnon
Hometown: St. Charles, Illinois

Windshield: Mark Hillman
Hometown: Lockport, New York

Front Tire Changer: Jason Charles
Hometown: Rochester, New York

Rear Tire Changer: Brandon Traino
Hometown: Cherry Hill, New Jersey

Tire Carrier: Mason Harris
Hometown: Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia

Road Crew Members:

Truck Driver: Gary “Turtle” Clem
Hometown: Eaton, Ohio

Shock Specialist: David Stillman
Hometown: Appleton, Wisconsin

Mechanic: Evan Snider
Hometown: Scottsdale, Pennsylvania

Tire Specialist: Liz Prestella
Hometown: South Lake Tahoe, California

Mechanic: Cory White
Hometowns: Vinson, Iowa

Mechanic: Glenn “Cheeseburger” Hilchey
Hometown: Bennington, Vermont

62nd Daytona 500 Notes of Interest:

- After piloting the No. 19 NASCAR Cup Series Toyota for Joe Gibbs Racing in 2017 and 2018, then the No. 41 Cup Series entry for Stewart-Haas Racing in 2019, Suárez has joined the single-car No. 96 Toyota Camry effort for Gaunt Brothers Racing (GBR) for the full 2020 season.
- **Suárez will be attempting to make his 109th career NASCAR Cup Series start** in the 62nd Daytona 500 Sunday at Daytona (Fla.) International Speedway. He has career totals of eight top-five finishes, 32 top-10s and 241 laps led, with an average start of 15.2 and an average finish of 17.0. He also has qualified on the pole twice.
- In six previous Cup Series outings at Daytona, Suárez has an average start of 21.0 and an average finish of 31.8, and he’s led 11 laps. His best start was 15th in last year’s July race and his best finish was 17th in the 2017 July race. In his three previous Duel qualifying races for the Daytona 500, Suárez posted finishes of 10th, eighth and 11th, in 2017, 2018 and 2019, respectively.
- In the NASCAR Xfinity Series, where he won the series championship in 2016, Suárez has seven career starts at Daytona with a pole position in the 2015 July race, another front-row start in the 2016 February race, 12 laps led, an average start of 12.9 and an average finish of 25.0.

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- In his two career NASCAR Gander RV & Outdoors Truck Series races at Daytona, Suárez has a best start of fifth in 2016 and a best finish of ninth in 2015.
- Suárez started sixth and finished second in his lone Daytona start in the ARCA Series in 2015.
- Crew chief Dave Winston, a native of Miami, Florida, and a veteran of 61 Cup Series races atop the pit box, collaborated with driver Michael McDowell in the No. 95 Leavine Family Racing entry to finishes of 15th and 10th in the two Daytona races in 2016. Winston worked with Alex Bowman in the No. 23 BK Racing Toyota for 36 races in 2014, which included finishes of 23rd and 13th in the two races at Daytona that year.
- The No. 96 Gaunt Brothers Toyota has made five starts at Daytona since joining the Cup Series ranks as a part-time team in 2017. D.J. Kennington drove it to a best finish of 13th in the July 2018 race, and Parker Kligerman drove it to 15th in last year’s Daytona 500.
- Coca-Cola and CommScope continue their respective partnerships with Suárez at Gaunt Brothers Racing. The iconic Coca-Cola brand has been with Suárez since 2015 when he won the Xfinity Series rookie-of-the-year title. [CommScope](#), a leader in communication network technology, has been with Suárez through its [ARRIS](#) and [Ruckus Networks](#) brands since 2014 when he first competed in the Xfinity Series.

Daniel Suárez’s Daytona NASCAR Cup Series Performance Profile:

Year	Date	Event	Start	Finish	Status/Laps	Laps Led
2019	2/17	Daytona 500	23	33	Accident, 190/200	0
	7/7	Coke Zero Sugar 400	15	40	Accident, 83/127	0
2018	2/26	Daytona 500	17	37	Accident, 59/207	0
	7/7	Coke Zero Sugar 400	32	35	Accident, 54/168	0
2017	2/26	Daytona 500	19	29	Accident, 141/200	0
	7/1	Coke Zero 400	20	17	Running, 163/163	11

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