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The 80s brought another two constructor's world champion titles to Ferrari, and at the same time a tremendous loss, the death of the man whose name became the most famous in car racing.

Enzo Ferrari founded his team in Modena in 1929. He started with the manufacture and entry for competition of the Ferrari Alfa Romeo racing cars in Milan, then dealt with workshop tools, and then they shifted their headquarters to Maranello. In actual fact it was here that they first started making racing cars under the Ferrari name. The first car was made in 1946 and was powered by a 1.5 litre, V12 engine. Between 1981 and 1988, it belonged technically among the best in the Formula 1 turbo period, and when they reinstated the suction engine, Ferrari reverted to the V12 version. The technical staff headed by John Barnard introduced a number of innovations on the 1989 640 car, the most important of these being the semi-automatic, 7-speed gear. This year in Interlagos, at the Brazil Grand

Prix, Alain Prost achieved Ferrari's 98th victory.



Born: 24. 02. 1955 (Saint-Chamond, France)

First GP: 13. 01. 1980, Argentinian Grand Prix

Starts: 162 Victories: 43 Poles: 20 Best laps: 33 GP points: 636.5 GP points of 1990: 44

World champion: 1985, 1986, 1989



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