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Dive into tales filled with passion, beauty, and determination. Enjoy every page!

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Living the Dream:
**Christopher McVey's
Journey from Sweden to
Miami's Stardom**

Christopher McVey is living the dream, and there's no doubt about that. In a candid conversation, he opens up about his early career in Sweden, his recruitment by David Beckham, and the thrill of playing alongside Lionel Messi.

The Early Years

For Christopher, sports were always part of the family. With an American father who was a promising swimmer and later a swim coach in Sweden, Christopher's connection to athletics began young. Yet, it was football, not swimming, that captured his heart. He humorously recalls, "I won three gold and two silver in a swimming competition, and then my parents told me I would never have to swim again unless I wanted to".

Challenges and Triumphs

Christopher's ascent to football stardom wasn't without its trials. An injury in 2018 sidelined him for an entire season. He reflects on that challenging period, "It was tough when the injury occurred just as I was getting there, but it made me stronger."

A temporary move to the Swedish second tier for more playing time led to a return to Elfsborg, where

Christopher swiftly secured a starting position as a center-back. He says, "Coming back wasn't what I expected, but they began looking at me as a center-back, and it turned out positive."

A Call from Miami

The turning point came when Inter Miami, backed by the renowned David Beckham, expressed interest in Christopher. Excitedly, he shares, "When Miami showed up, I jumped at the opportunity. I knew it was Beckham's club, with stars like Higuain."

Life in the Big League

Moving from Borås to Miami was a whirlwind change. Christopher speaks of the stark differences, "You notice the money involved. Top-class facilities, more people working around the club, and a great fanbase. It's fun here."

Playing alongside legends like Lionel Messi has been surreal for Christopher. He expresses his admiration, saying, "The first time I truly understood how great he is was during small-sided games at practice. It's awesome to play with him."

Embracing Miami's Lifestyle

Off the field, Christopher has embraced the lifestyle Miami has to offer. Whether it's golfing, relaxing on

Facts

Name: Christopher McVey

Age: 26 years old

Living in: Florida, USA

Family: parents Anette and Andrew McVey

Instagram: @christophermcvey

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the beach, or watching other sports like hockey and American football, he's found joy in his new home. Contentedly, he reveals, "The lifestyle suits me. I've even bought a house. Playing with the best of all time is incredibly fun."

Christopher McVey's journey from Sweden to Miami is more than a story of football. It's a tale of passion, resilience, seizing opportunities, and finding joy in the unexpected twists of life. His story resonates with fans not just for his prowess on the field, but for the genuine love of the game and life that shines through. His parting words resonate with optimism: "I'm very happy now, but we'll see what the future holds."









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Modeling, with its jet-set lifestyle, fame, glamour, and the chance to work in some of the world's most exciting cities, has always held a certain allure. Few professions offer an opportunity to be constantly surrounded by beautiful people, wear the latest fashion, and mingle with influential figures in the industry. One person who has successfully navigated this world for over three decades is Kim Wallin.

Kim Wallin

Standing tall at 189cm, Kim Wallin's sculpted facial features are unmistakable, as is his charismatic presence. Born and raised in Stockholm, Kim's successful journey in the modeling industry began in 1989. Over the past 30+ years, Kim's career has taken him around the globe, living in cities like Paris, London, Munich, Hamburg, Milan, Vienna, Cape Town, and many more.

During this time, Kim had the opportunity to meet many world-renowned people, both from the modeling industry such as Linda Evangelista and Claudia Shiffer, and other famous personalities such as Keanu Reeves, Michael Schumacher, and Axl Rose. It's just another aspect of the industry that adds to its glamour and fascination.

Kim has had the opportunity to work with some of the biggest brands in the world, including Hugo Boss, Hermès, Armani, Gillette, Camel, Mercedes, Givenchy, and YSL. With his ice-blue gaze and

classic masculine allure, Kim has graced countless catwalks and appeared in major advertising campaigns, establishing himself as a familiar figure in the industry.

However, like all professions, modeling comes with its challenges. Behind the glamour and the flashbulbs, it's a demanding job requiring discipline, commitment, and resilience. Models are subjected to societal expectations and beauty standards that can sometimes feel nearly unattainable. The emphasis on physical appearance and affirmation

Facts

Name: Kim Wallin

Age: 56 years old

Living in: Stockholm

Family: Partner Helena and the kids Noa and Emma

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often leads to judgment, vanity, and a significant increase in mental health problems, particularly among young models just starting out.

Kim himself has faced challenges. He speaks openly about the importance of hard work and disciplined dietary habits, which often go unseen but are crucial in maintaining a model's physique, especially as one ages. Furthermore, while his looks have granted him many advantages, it has not always been a straightforward journey. There have been instances of broken friendships due to jealousy, judgment based on his appearance, and people becoming overly obsessed with his looks.

Despite these challenges, Kim remains a beacon of positivity and perseverance in the industry. He has managed to stay relevant over the decades, and his outlook on modeling is evidence of the power of maintaining a healthy routine, discipline, and respect for oneself. He has consistently promoted a balanced lifestyle, combining martial arts with strength and endurance training to keep himself fit.

As he continues to work in his 50s, Kim's dedication to his profession and his ability to adapt is admirable. The high fashion world gradually gives way to commercial work as models age. But Kim has gracefully transitioned into promoting



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products like razors, watches, suits, and services like banking, proving that age is just a number in this industry.

The story of Kim Wallin is an exciting journey through the glamorous yet challenging world of modeling. His resilience, discipline, and dedication over the past 30 years provide a positive example for upcoming models. With his unmatched experience and superior genetics, Kim continues to shine brightly in the modeling industry, a true testament to the power of self-confidence and hard work.



Rosé Times

Now the wonderful rosé season is underway. When the sun is looking out and the outdoor cafes open, it is not entirely wrong to sip a glass of rosé. The wine that has developed in recent years to be a really flavorful wine, which goes with most things. As an aperitif and with many different dishes on the menu. From the bright Provence colors to the more raspberry reds. But what should I choose?

Summer equals rosé times, although we drink more and more rosé even during the winter months. But of course, a glass of rosé fits like a glove when the sun's rays warm up the crowded outdoor terraces. The wine that has developed in recent years to be a really flavorful wine, which goes with most things. As an aperitif and with many different dishes on the menu. From the bright Provence colors to the more raspberry reds. So far, the Provence-coloured wines are at the top, but some producers still stick to their raspberry-red-coloured wines, although they are few. Mostly we see the onion peel-colored, light salmon pink and light rosés.



I also notice that the grape selection has evolved where producers now choose to make lovely rosé wines from more and more different grapes. The wines also differ in terms of aroma and taste with different characters. From the dry, fresh, slightly fruity with a light mineral tone to the more fruity and flavorful wines. Each country and area has its own type of rosé, where you also notice that more and more people want to imitate the rosé wines



from Provence where almost 90 percent of their production of wine is rosé.

When it comes to still wines, it is the skin of the grapes that gives the color to the wines. The longer you let the wine ferment along with the skins, the darker the color you get. Except in Champagne where you can add 5-15% red wine to get the right shade and taste of the champagne that you want.

Champagne is one of the few wine regions where producers are allowed to make rosé wine by blending white and red wine. In Provence, mostly red grapes are used in the production of rosé wine, where the most common varieties are syrah, grenache, cinsault, mourvèdre, cabernet sauvignon, tibouren, carignan, rolle (green) and clairette (green).

In Spain it is used tempranillo, garnacha, syrah and in Italy it is mainly Barbera and dolcetto that are used.

In France, there are a total of about 27,000 hectares distributed among about 600 winemakers. The rosé boom has exploded. The sugar content of rosé wines also varies depending on which country and from which region the wine comes from, where most rosé wines from Provence have less than 3 grams of sugar per liter. But there are of course rosé wines from other countries as well, in addition to France, such as Australia, Spain, Italy, Germany, Austria, Portugal, Argentina and the USA.

From the beginning when rosé wine became popular, they were usually raspberry red in color, much to show that it was a wine between white and red. Mateus rosé, the semi-sparkling rosé wine from Portugal, was then a bestseller. At that time, when you ordered a glass of rosé wine at the bar, the bartender looked at you a little questioningly and wondered in his quiet mind. "She probably



doesn't know much about wine." But over the years, both the range and quality have improved where we find a number of very good rosé wines. Sipping a rosé wine in the sun as an aperitif is lovely, but it also goes very well with food, such as light meats such as chicken and turkey, with light and summery dishes such as salads, as well as with buffets and finger food. And they should preferably be drunk well chilled.

It has turned out that the Provence-colored rosé wines are still hot on the market, where many today reject the raspberry red rosés and believe that they

do not like them, that it should be a pleasure in the glass with a lighter rosé wine. But there are of course also good dark rosé wines, but as previously said, they are not so many.

One must also not forget the greatness of rosé champagne and also rosé prosecco, and the Spanish cava rosé that is becoming a hit

Refreshing, bubbly and festive, a must in the picnic basket to make the summer more festive. So of course it's still trendy to drink a glass of rosé in the sun.





“Next Step: A Full Season in the NHL”

Last season was a smashing success for 26-year-old Lucas Carlsson in the AHL, where he notably finished second among defensemen in scoring. Following this, the Florida Panthers, fresh off their Stanley Cup finals appearance, expressed their confidence in him with a contract extension. Lucas is set on securing a spot with the new season just a month away.

Today's sports world is characterized by private training, elite commitment, and a professional attitude even among children not yet in their teens. This is why it's refreshingly endearing to hear Lucas Carlsson discuss his hockey background.

"I tried to engage in multiple sports as long as I could. Mostly, it was about having fun and playing with friends. Eventually, I had to choose, and hockey was the most enjoyable for me. Compared to today's

standards, I probably began focusing on it quite late." When the junior national teams began to form and Lucas secured a position, he recognized his talent. But the dream of an NHL career took a while to manifest.

"It came relatively late for me. I think it was around when I got drafted by Chicago, but even then, it felt distant. I realized there might be a slight chance."

Lucas was drafted in the fourth round by the Chicago Blackhawks in 2016. This came after a strong SHL season, during his second year of eligibility.

"It was a bit surprising. We had talked to a few teams before the draft, and Chicago seemed keenly interested. When it was confirmed, I was beyond ecstatic."

Facts

Name: Lucas Carlsson

Age: 26 years old

Living in: Gävle/Florida

Family: Partner and their son

Instagram: @carlssonlucas



But it would be a while before Lucas headed to the U.S. He stayed two more seasons with the SHL and Brynäs, a decision he describes as a pivotal part of his career.

"NHL teams want to draft players who can compete against adults. Here, Sweden and even Europe have a slight edge. If you're young and playing in the U.S. or Canada, you're often in junior leagues. Europeans benefit from facing adults early on, preparing us against heavier competitors."

When he finally crossed the Atlantic, Lucas played in both the NHL and the AHL. He speaks fondly of the AHL, though noting distinct differences.

"In the AHL, everyone aspires to advance to the NHL, so many play for themselves. Team chemistry is different. You have to adapt and play more for your personal growth."

During the pandemic, Lucas transitioned to the Florida Panthers. After two years with the organization, most of his recent season was with their affiliate, the Charlotte Checkers in the AHL. His performance was compelling enough for the Panthers to extend his contract.

"Things just clicked from the start. I received significant playtime, and after Christmas, it took off. We had a talented team. Unfortunately, due to the lack of injuries in Florida, I wasn't called up as often. Overall, I was pleased with my season."

Regarding the extension, it's evident Lucas feels relief

and has high hopes for the upcoming season.

"I was relieved when I heard Florida wanted to extend. That's where we, my family and I, want to be. My goal is to secure a spot in the NHL straight away. We'll have a competitive team again, so it'll be challenging. However, both their and my expectation is that I will rise to the occasion. That's the plan."

Lucas has achieved much, but he's far from done, with two major aspirations.

"My next step is to play a full season in the NHL. I've also thought a lot about senior national games. I've only participated in junior national matches, so playing for 'Tre Kronor' remains a dream."

Life has been eventful off the ice too, with Lucas becoming a father. Juggling parenthood with a professional hockey career hasn't been a breeze.

"It was challenging. The family was separated during the season. We have a place in Florida, but then I was sent down to Charlotte. It was a demanding year in that sense, but we managed. My partner bore the brunt of the responsibility with our son, and I'm immensely grateful. On a day off, my son is the center of my world, especially at his young age."

Whether athletic talent is genetic is debatable, but Lucas humorously hints that his son already shows some signs.

"He's always reaching for balls, so hopefully, he's inherited his dad's sense of the game."

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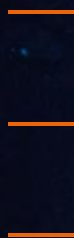


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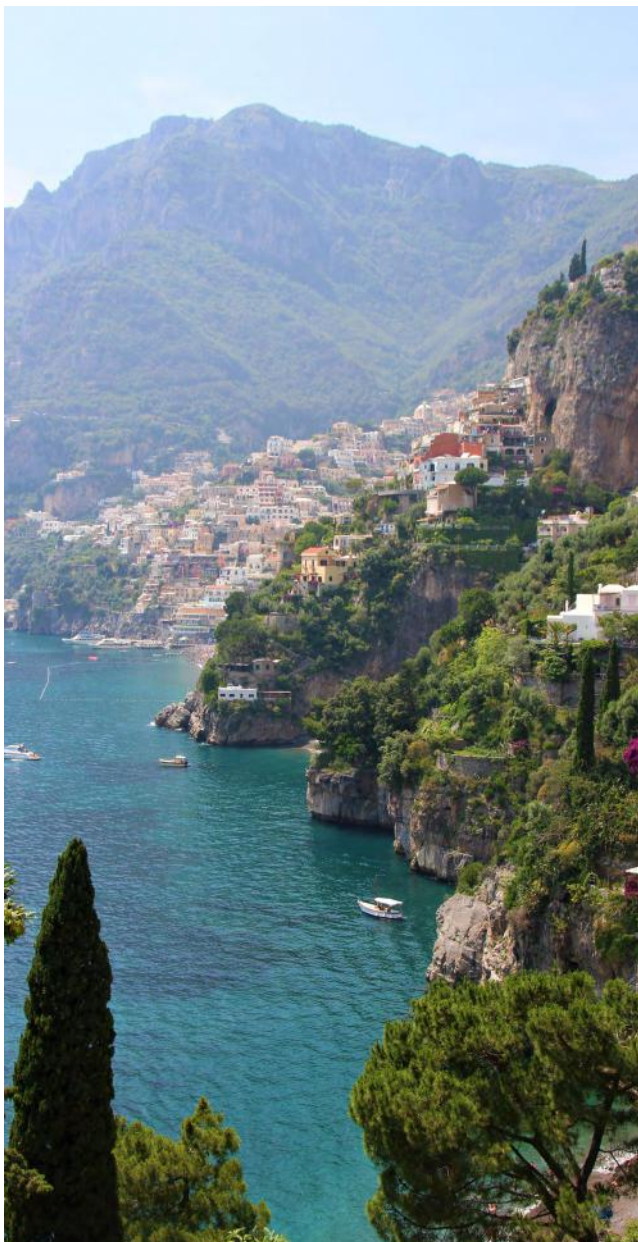
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An aerial photograph of a vibrant, cliffside town in Amalfi, Italy. The buildings are densely packed and feature a variety of colors including terracotta, yellow, and white. The town is built on a steep, green hillside that meets the sea. The water is a deep blue, and several small boats are visible. A larger boat with 'TRAVEL MAR' written on its side is in the foreground. The sky is clear and blue.

Amalfi - A Must for Every Wanderlust Soul

When you think of Italy, you may conjure up images of iconic landmarks, world-renowned cuisine, and the essence of "La Dolce Vita." The Amalfi Coast, with its citrus-scented air and sun-kissed coves, is the epitome of the Italian dream that continues to captivate the hearts of those who seek adventure, luxury, and unforgettable experiences.



Positano - A Picturesque Paradise

Despite the influx of visitors seeking the vibrant landscapes that once enamoured Picasso and Klee, Positano remains an enchanting gem. Imagine a cascade of peach, pink, and white houses stacked upon one another, culminating in the dazzling majolica dome of Chiesa di Santa Maria Assunta. The charm of Positano is palpable as you stroll along cobble streets lined with artisan shops selling bespoke leather sandals, breezy summer clothing, and intricately hand-painted ceramics.

Positano is not just a feast for the eyes; it also offers a rich culinary scene. Treat yourself to a meal at La Sponda, a Michelin-starred restaurant inside Le Sirenuse Hotel, where you can savour exquisite Mediterranean cuisine amidst a romantic candlelit ambience. For a more casual experience, visit family-run trattorias that serve delectable homemade pasta dishes accompanied by a glass of local wine.

The true essence of Positano lies in its invitation to unwind on a deck chair and revel in the lively

ambience. For a more secluded experience, rent a private boat and explore the secluded coves and nearby islands such as Li Galli and Capri. Alternatively, hike along the famous Path of the Gods to take in panoramic views that stretch from Positano to the Isle of Capri.



Praiano - A Hidden Coastal Haven

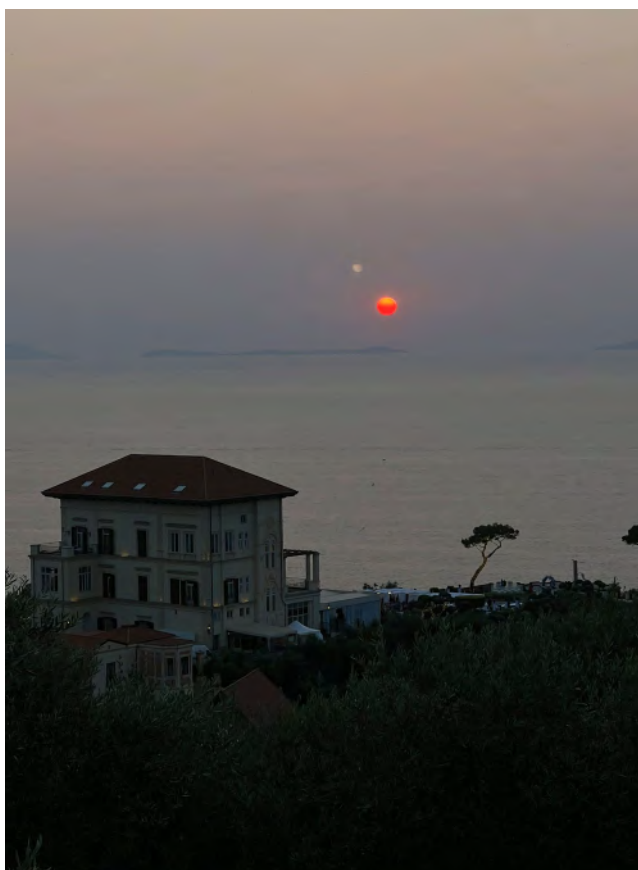
Venture eastward along the coast, and you'll stumble upon the unassuming Praiano. This low-key retreat is a delightful mix of fishing boats bobbing on the sea and historic Saracen towers looming over sandy shores. The coastline of Praiano is a mesmerizing landscape of hidden coves, sea caves, and grottoes, waiting to be explored.

For a magical view of Capri, head to La Gavitella – a charming spot adorned with vibrant parasols,

fresh fruit, and troubadours. This sun-soaked beach offers more daylight than any other on the Amalfi Coast. Another scenic spot is Marina di Praia, a small, picturesque beach nestled between towering cliffs that house a few delightful restaurants offering fresh seafood caught daily by local fishermen.

Don't forget to visit Il Gusto della Costa, Praiano's proudest limoncello producer, where you can indulge in a private tour and savor the golden nectar of this iconic beverage. While in Praiano, also consider attending a traditional coral and cameo workshop, where master artisans showcase their centuries-old skills in creating intricate jewellery and decorative pieces.





Sorrento - A Balcony Overlooking the Sea

Sorrento's historic centre is a delightful labyrinth of narrow streets, cozy piazzas, and hidden gems waiting to be discovered. Visit the enchanting Cloister of San Francesco, a serene oasis of tranquillity amidst the bustling city, or stroll through the lush gardens of Villa Comunale, which offer unparalleled views of the coastline and Mount Vesuvius.

For a taste of Sorrento's culinary scene, head to the vibrant Piazza Tasso, where you can indulge in traditional dishes at family-owned restaurants, such as gnocchi alla sorrentina and the local speciality, delizia al limone — a heavenly lemon-flavoured



sponge cake. In the evenings, enjoy an aperitivo at one of the many bars and cafes that spill onto the streets, creating a lively atmosphere perfect for people-watching and soaking in the local culture.

While in Sorrento, embark on a journey to the nearby island of Capri, famous for its rugged landscapes, designer boutiques, and the legendary Blue Grotto. Alternatively, immerse yourself in the ancient world by visiting the fascinating archaeological sites of Pompeii and Herculaneum, preserved by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD.

Ravello - A Hilltop Sanctuary of Culture and Beauty

Nestled high in the mountains, Ravello is a refined retreat that boasts unparalleled views of the Amalfi Coast. Rich in culture and history, this sophisticated destination has been a haven for artists, musicians, and writers seeking inspiration and serenity.

Take a leisurely walk through the enchanting Villa Rufolo, whose terraced gardens inspired Wagner's Parsifal and now host the annual Ravello Festival. Another must-see is Villa Cimbrone, a splendid estate featuring lush gardens, marble statues, and the iconic Terrace of Infinity, which offers a breathtaking vista that has been praised by the likes of Virginia Woolf and Gore Vidal.

While Ravello is a sanctuary for art and culture enthusiasts, it is also home to an emerging culinary scene. Relish the gastronomic delights at Palazzo Avino's Michelin-starred restaurant, Rossellinis, or savour authentic flavours at family-run trattorias, where you can enjoy mouthwatering dishes made with locally sourced ingredients.

Whether you're seeking solace in the heart of nature or craving a luxurious experience that caters to your refined tastes, the Amalfi Coast offers a diverse array of destinations that promise to create lasting memories. The captivating beauty, rich history, and cultural allure of this extraordinary coastline await those who are ready to embark on an unforgettable Italian adventure.



Guide Michelin

Two brothers wanted to sell more tires. They succeeded, and in the process, created the world's most influential restaurant guide.

The coveted Michelin stars are a global aspiration, but they're not without their critics.

Welcome to the Michelin galaxy.



Édouard and André Michelin started a tire factory in Clermont-Ferrand in 1889. Around the turn of the century, only 3,000 cars were on French roads. To boost car sales and, subsequently, tire sales, they published the first Michelin Guide in 1900. The red book, initially free, offered tips on changing tires and pointed motorists to workshops, gas stations, eateries, and hotels.

Demand soared. Within a few years, the Michelin brothers launched guides for other European countries and French colonies in North Africa. Today, over 30 million copies have been sold. The clever plan worked—Michelin is now the world's second-largest tire manufacturer.

Long ago, the guide shifted its focus from punctures to culinary recommendations. Its hallmark ratings are:

A very good restaurant in its category (currently 2,796 one-star eateries).

** Exceptional cuisine, worth a detour (491).

*** Exceptional cuisine, worth a special journey (140).

Additional ratings include:

"Bib Gourmand" for restaurants (3,346) serving "good food at modest prices" (introduced in 1997).

A plate symbol for simpler establishments with good food (introduced in 2016).

A green star for sustainability (introduced in 2020; currently 446 restaurants).

Symbols for wine, sake, and cocktails indicate exceptional drink offerings. The guide also evaluates ambiance and service, denoted by a fork-and-spoon symbol, ranging from one (comfortable) to five (luxury). Red utensils indicate a particularly pleasant spot. Price levels are shown with one to four € signs.

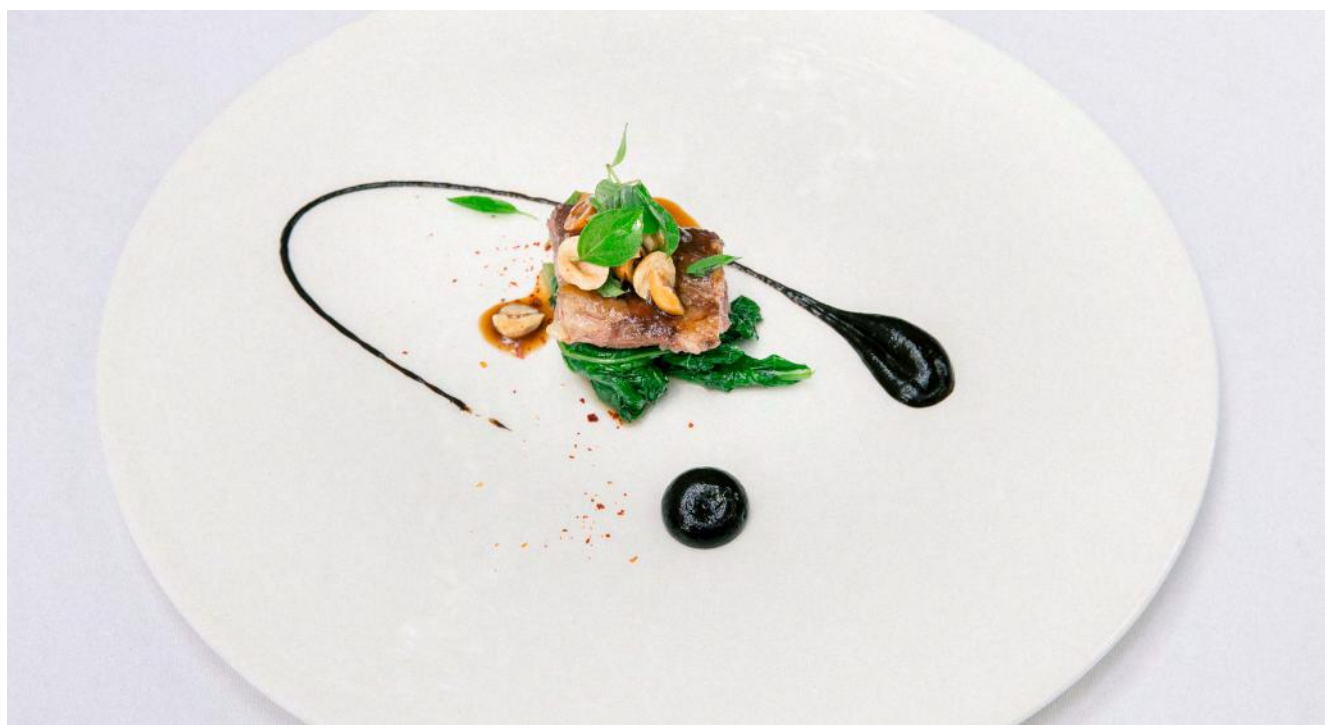
Today, Michelin lists over 30,000 restaurants in about 30 geographic regions across Europe, North and South America, and Asia.

Though authoritative, Michelin often faces tough criticism—mainly for allegedly favoring French cuisine over global gastronomy and for requiring certain luxurious amenities to even be considered for a star.

Yet, much of the criticism is somewhat unfair. Tokyo, where most restaurants serve non-French cuisine like sushi, boasts the most Michelin stars globally. The guide has modernized, now including street food in Southeast Asia and gastropubs in Ireland. Simpler establishments with exceptional food can earn stars, though high comfort and staff density generally don't hurt.

And let's face it, Michelin's anonymous inspectors can't possibly visit all the world's remarkable restaurants. Africa, India, and Oceania are absent, and only Brazil is included in the South American edition.

While competitor guides like 'The World's 50 Best Restaurants' may have better geographical coverage and keep tabs on trends, Michelin remains the original. After all, it is the 'star' restaurant guide.





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Exceptional cuisine,
worth a special journey!



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Linus Lundqvist: “You're only as good as your last race”

For a racer, competing in IndyCar is among the pinnacle of achievements. Yet, Linus Lundqvist embraces the pressure with open arms, having grown accustomed to it over time. His journey hasn't always been a straight path, but as I catch up with this new addition to IndyCar, I'm met by a hopeful Linus, strongly believing that hard work pays off.

Facts

Name: Linus Lundqvist

Age: 24 years old

Living in: Indianapolis, USA

Family: Mother, father, step parents and two step siblings

Instagram: @linushflundqvist

The common perception might be that for a child to get into motorsport at a young age, their parents need to be car enthusiasts. This wasn't the case for Linus, who got introduced to it during a carnival visit in Finland.

– "It was by chance. I was introduced to go-karting at a carnival when I was 6. I was too young to drive on my own, so I rode alongside my stepdad in a tandem go-kart."

Linus and his family quickly realized he had both the talent and the drive to make it big in motorsport. When it was finally time to switch from go-karts to formula cars, his victory streak continued. Sweden soon became too small for Linus's ambitions, and he took his leap into Europe.

– "I started internationally in Formula 4 in England. It's fun to look back and see who I raced and won against during those years, like Oscar Piastrri and



Logan Sargeant, who are now in Formula 1. We then went even more international and shifted to Euroformula, racing all over Europe."

Crossing the Atlantic was the next step, where Linus, despite financial challenges and racing in a new continent, delivered right off the bat.

– "I had been eyeing the USA, mainly because they have a system where championship winners receive scholarships, something not available in Europe. I went over, and we managed to win the first eight races. Halfway through the season, I was essentially out of money, but with some help from the team and sponsors, we made it work. We won the championship, and that scholarship allowed

me to race in Indy Lights the following season."

Linus frequently emphasizes the collective effort. He talks about a "we" when describing his career, underscoring the significant role his family and team have played in his success.

– "I couldn't have done it without them. They support me in everything and guide me a lot. I've always had people around me who've helped; there are many names on the list of those who've made this journey possible."

There's no doubt, however, that Linus has worked hard to get where he is.

– "I think I started working with sponsors when I



was 14. Since then, that aspect of the job has only become more and more important."

Despite financial instability, Linus dominated Indy Lights in his second season, 2022, clinching the championship after maintaining the lead since his victory in the second race. Yet, IndyCar, the ultimate peak, was always the objective.

– "The groundwork began two years before the Indy Lights title. We tried to establish a foundation and get to know all the teams, so they all recognize you when you're ready to make the jump. But even winning and having the contacts might not be enough to get the chance. So much else needs to align. It's very much about timing."

The debut took some time, as Linus couldn't secure a spot at the start of the season. Eventually, Meyer Shank Racing reached out, needing a fill-in. Naturally, Linus was ready and eager.

– "It was quite surprising. I've been in talks with them for a while, but they never really hinted that it was close. But when they called and asked if I was available, it was a no-brainer to say yes. Such opportunities might not come even once in a lifetime, so when it presents itself, you grab it."

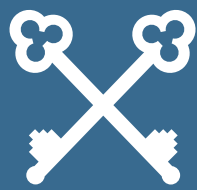
His IndyCar debut had its ups and downs, with Linus clocking the best lap time of the race, but ending in a crash with just over ten laps left. Nevertheless, his performance earned him another shot in the next race in Indianapolis.

– "Of course, it was fantastic. There was some uncertainty after the race; I felt maybe I blew my only shot. However, we were very proud of the overall weekend, and apparently, I had shown enough."

Regarding the future, Linus is tight-lipped, as his profession doesn't allow him to look beyond the next race.

– "I try to focus quite a lot on the present. The best thing I can do for myself is to perform well when given the chance. If I manage that, suddenly we might have some options for 2024. It's a tough industry; you're only as good as your last race. If you perform at your best, everyone's your friend, but if not, survival becomes challenging."

A few weeks after the interview, it was confirmed that Linus signed a multi-year contract with Chip Ganassi Racing in IndyCar, starting in 2024. That hard work pays off is not a given in racing. He talks about timing and luck, but the impression Linus leaves us with is that he probably creates his own luck. Where this success story will lead is yet to be seen, but for those of us following him from across the Atlantic, it promises to be nothing short of exciting.



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