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The Man Who Ignites KTM Orange

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The Boy from South Africa
Brad Binder comes from the heart of South Africa, from a land where the wind runs free and speed is a natural instinct. He grew up with the hunger of true racers — those who do not chase glory, but conquest. Every corner, every braking point, every overtake is an act of will.
You recognize him instantly in the paddock: a confident stride, a focused gaze, a smile that hides the ferocity of a fighter. Brad doesn't speak much, but when he climbs onto the KTM RC16 he becomes a universal language: the language of speed.

Fifteen Seasons in the World Championship, Seven in MotoGP
2026 marks his fifteenth season in the World Championship and his seventh in MotoGP — all of them lived with the same bike, the same family, the same faith: Red Bull KTM. A rare loyalty, almost romantic, that speaks louder than words.
Binder is not a rider who changes teams for convenience. Binder builds. And what he has built with KTM is one of the most powerful stories in modern MotoGP.

A Career Carved in Fire
• Moto3 (2016): World Champion. A perfect, fierce season, carved into memory.
• Moto2 (2017–2019): 8 victories, 15 podiums, a title narrowly missed.
• MotoGP (since 2020): the miracle of Brno — the first victory in KTM's history in the premier class. An achievement that sealed his place in legend.
That 2020 victory was not just a success: it was a declaration. The KTM RC16, ridden by a rookie, stole the spotlight from the giants. Brad opened a door no one else dared to push.

Binder Through the Eyes of ReD Magazine
You see him stepping out of the box, helmet in hand, the morning light reflecting off the orange fairings. His walk is that of a man who fears nothing. His posture reveals someone who has already stared speed in the eyes — and is never satisfied.
On track, Brad is a predator. His riding is a blend of instinct and mathematics:
• impossible braking,
• brush stroke trajectories,
• breath stealing overtakes,
• tire management mastered like few others.
When the race becomes chaos, when the track gets slippery, when others slow down, Binder accelerates. He is the rider who never gives up, never settles, never stops believing.

Twelve Years in KTM Orange
His collaboration with KTM is one of the longest and most successful in modern MotoGP. Twelve years of mutual trust, development, growth, and shared battles.
Brad is part of KTM's identity. He is the rider who delivered the RC16's first victory. He is the rider who turned an ambitious project into a competitive reality. He is the rider who always finds a way through when everything seems difficult.

Results That Speak for Themselves

• 2025 – 11th MotoGP
• 2024 – 5th MotoGP
• 2023 – 4th MotoGP
• 2022 – 6th MotoGP
• 2021 – 6th MotoGP + Victory at the Red Bull Ring
• 2020 – Rookie of the Year + Victory at Brno
• 2019 – 2nd Moto2
• 2018 – 3rd Moto2
• 2016 – Moto3 World Champion
• 2015 – 6th Moto3

2026: The Year of Rebirth
2025 was a complex year, marked by ups and downs, technical challenges, and changes. But 2026 is a new chapter. New staff, new ideas, new energy.
And Brad Binder, when he smells a challenge, becomes even more dangerous. His mission is clear: return to fighting for podium positions, make KTM orange shine again, and reclaim his role as the rider who sets races on fire.

Brad Binder: The KTM Warrior
Binder is not just a fast rider. He is a symbol. A fighter. A man who has turned his story into an example of tenacity and loyalty.
And when you watch him race, you know it too: Brad Binder is one of those riders you never forget.

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