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BARCELONA TEST 2 – DAY 4

Driver: Max Verstappen
Car: RB15
Laps: 29
Best time: 1:17.709
Circuit length: 4.655km

After two productive weeks at the Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya, the final day of Aston Martin Red Bull Racing's pre-season test schedule was cut short by a gearbox issue that limited Max Verstappen to 29 laps of the Spanish Circuit.

"The guys in the garage did an amazing job to turn the car around after yesterday's crash and get it on track this morning, but unfortunately we had a gearbox issue and the nature of it meant we had to stop," said Max afterwards. "I think overall we've had a really positive test here. If you look at the longer runs it looks pretty promising. I think we have a good package and the engine works really well, so I'm very happy and I'm looking forward to just going racing now."

Head of Race Engineering, Guillaume Rocquelin, added: "We came here with a new car, a new engine partner and a new driver, and we leave Barcelona with all of those elements working extremely well together. Problems such as today's inevitably arise during testing and it's a shame that it disrupted our final day. However, I don't think we should let it colour what we have achieved over these two weeks in Barcelona. We've had an enormously productive period of testing and we've learned a great deal about the RB15 and the direction we want to go in as we head into the season. Honda have been outstanding throughout, we have had great reliability and the rapport with the Team is exceptional. It's also a big task for Pierre coming into a new team and he's learned a huge amount – about the car and procedurally. As for the car, the balance is good, the performance is there and we're ready to go racing."

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