

## **Evolution**

Camel Races have been an important part of the life and culture of the UAE even before the nation existed, as we know it today. Every year camel owners from different tribes across the UAE, locals from all Emirates and members of the real families across the UAE get together in a festive season to race their best camels. The camel season is to be experienced only during winter time- when temperatures drop in the region and the desert comes to life. In old times, Camels were ridden by people however, nowadays this tradition has evolved and riders replaced by small and lighter robots, which are controlled by owners from their car while they drive in a frenzy of excitement along the race's track. The enjoyment and festivity around camels is something that hasn't change even when times and culture evolves among the habitants of the desert.

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