



After Konami GT, there was no stopping them... WEC Le Mans 24 came out very late in 1986.

With a cabinet which could only be described as a crowd-pleaser, it spins and rocks as you play, this was not for the shy and quiet ones. In fact all the major UK magazines of the day went to the Arcade show in Blackpool and mostly agreed—they preferred it to Outrun. That's right...preferred to Outrun. So why is it that gamers of the time, even the history books and yes even I preferred to play Outrun. Well when you're still pleased that your age is past double digits, then a sit in bright red Ferrari game with your own choice of (really loud) music had a certain appeal. Plus I didn't have a clue what a WEC was and Le Mans sounded too French. PLUS this game is rock hard and once you'd had just 60 seconds play and couldn't improve after a few games—no way were you going to pop money into it again. Outrun on the other hand had a much better learning curve.

(WEC—World Endurance Championship) is now referred to as the world sports car championship).

The graphics were on a par with Outrun but it didn't have the pretty beach-side areas with blue skies and palm trees. It just didn't have all the flair and glamour that Outrun could offer. It didn't have the cool music we'd come to expect (digitised music was quite new in the mid-eighties). Having said that, rather oddly they did release a sound track to the game!

It may have had the right corners of the real Le Man circuit but without the long back straight it's a dull track. It did have the right cars but with a track constantly just 3 cars wide it was too hard. In fact it's fair to say that those Journo's really didn't know how good Outrun really was. As a nearly-teen, I didn't think this was worth it even if outrun was occupied.

WEC LE MANS 24™








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WEC LE MANS 24™ is the 24-hour world endurance championship. All other races pale in comparison. No other race challenges a driver, physically or emotionally, as WEC LE MANS 24™. The racer must push himself and his car far beyond limits required by any other race. He must use his sixth sense as he becomes one with a machine which is perilously insensitive to human frailties. WEC LE MANS 24™ is not a game – it is the ultimate driving experience.

WEC LE MANS 24™ – NO OTHER CAR SIMULATOR COMPARES TO IT

- Car simulator not only jumps up and down, but turns back and forth and even spins up to 180 degrees.
- Player must accelerate, brake, and shift in order to excel in the Le Mans.
- The most realistic graphics and sounds imaginable.
- Player experiences the day and night driving of the actual 24-hour race.
- Counter-steering is needed to avoid spinouts.
- The talent of a world-class driver is required to negotiate the hills and curves.
- The game simulates the course so exactly that it has been approved by AUTOMOBILE CLUB DE L'OUEST (A.C.O.).




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