AUDI A4 DTM 2009 „Tom Kristensen“

After their successful 2008 season, Audi confronted the problem of how to improve a well-nigh perfect car in order to be sure of retaining the championship title. The engineers retained all the decisive design features and concentrated on detail modifications. This touring car racer, based on a tubular frame with a carbon fibre shell for the driver, still had the tried and tested 4 litre, 460 bhp V8 engine. Result of these efforts: the most competitive concept based on the A4, works designation R14 plus. Tom Kristensen, team colleague of Timo Scheider, competed in the DTM in an A4 for the first time in 2004 and in the same season was ranked 4th in the overall standings, followed by 3rd in the following two years. The Dane, born in 1967, was particularly famed for his successes in the 24-hour races at Le Mans. With a total of eight overall victories, he is the most successful pilot in this long-distance race of world renown. In the middle of May 2009 this experienced banker announced his retirement from the DTM, in order to devote himself in future to long-distance races. However in the 2009 season, with 21 points, he steered the Audi Sport Team Abt to overall victory, securing second place for Audi in the constructors’ standings. In his last DTM race Audi rewarded the genial Dane with a special livery for his car, which is shown by the decals included in the kit.
Hockenheim, 25th October 2009
last DTM race of Tom Kristensen
DTM 2009, standard version for race 1-9