

Exclusive Prospecting Day Kanoo Motors



Mercedesboss signs new deal

Stuttgart

Mercedes Formula One team boss Toto Wolff and Niki Lauda have extended their deals until at least 2020. Dieter Zetsche, chairman of the Daimler conglomerate that includes Mercedes, said that under them: "The results have exceeded our expectations." Mercedes, with Lewis Hamilton and the now-retired Nico Rosberg as lead drivers, have dominated the world championship since 2014.



First in-car payment system

Jaguar and Shell have together launched their first in-car payment system that works via a Shell app at Shell service stations. The new Shell app is a part of a suite of the new model updates that arrive on the Jaguar XE, XF and the F-Pace. Drivers can use PayPal or Apple Pay using their car's touchscreen to pay at Shell service stations. And it makes even more sense for company car users as users can easily log journeys and receipts using the in-car touchscreen as well. An electronic receipt will be displayed on the touchscreen to confirm the transaction. A similar receipt will also reach the pump from the driver's email address.

McLaren 570S and 570GT

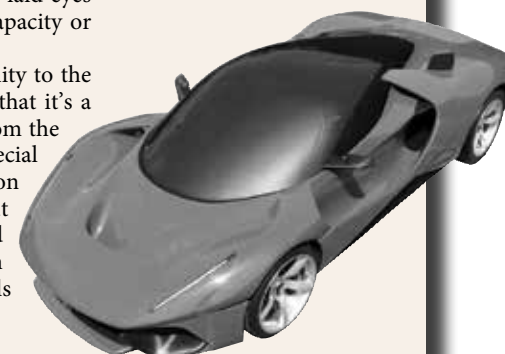
Custom LaFerrari SP?

Ferrari has applied patent drawings for a new hypercar that appears to be based around the LaFerrari.

The one pictured in these files from the European patent office, never laid eyes on before in any capacity or form.

Given its proximity to the LaFerrari, guess is that it's a one-off creation from the Italian brand's Special Project (SP) division that churns out specially fabricated cars based on production models

for wealthy clients. Some of their most recent builds include the F12tdf-based SP275 RW Competizione and the 488 Spider-based J50. (Carscoops)



Techrules Supercar design

The China-based Automotive R&D company has just released a new rendering, depicting a production-ready supercar scheduled to debut on March 7th at the Geneva

Motor Show. While certain details might be hard to spot, the image itself is meant to show how the company went about combining their proprietary Turbine-Recharging EV powertrain (TREV) with an aerospace-inspired design.

The concept is all about putting function before form as the modular design and technical elements are all meant to revolve around the centrally-positioned driver. (Carscoops)



BMW to reveal facelifted i3

Engineers from BMW are out testing an updated version of the i3.

The electric hatch didn't generate the impact BMW had hoped when the vehicle was launched in 2014. It was cramped, compromised and didn't deliver the typical BMW driving experience, and its 81-mile range was also down compared to some rivals.

BMW in 2017 boosted the range to 114 miles with a new battery. However, this is considerably outmatched by

the similar sized Chevrolet Bolt EV whose range is 238 mi. Tesla's Model 3, which promises more than 200 mi, is also due this year, although new customers will have a long wait time due to thousands of pre-orders Tesla has to fill.



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Kanoo Motors SPC, a leading high-end automotive retailer and the official distributor of McLaren in Bahrain, held an exclusive prospect day for selected clients.

The move was aimed at having an engaging one-on-one driving experience, giving them the chance to test the full capabilities of the McLaren 570S and 570GT in the controlled environment of the Bahrain International Circuit (BIC).

Over 30 guests took part in the event, titled Sports Series: The Drive, followed by open track activity for

McLaren car owners until midnight.

Kanoo Motors Head of McLaren Bahrain, Trevor Fletcher said: "We aim to elevate the brand's status in the Kingdom to the level it deserves. BIC events such as this one will play a major role in helping us strengthen this reputation and attract new clientele because they allow prospects to

experience first-hand the level of McLaren's performance and craftsmanship with dedicated driving time with qualified McLaren driving instructors."

The more attainable and multi award-winning Sports Series was conceived to introduce McLaren DNA and performance credentials to the sports car segment. With a road-

biased nature, yet still honing race-derived technologies to offer supercar levels of performance, the new Sports Series provides enhanced all-round usability and promises an exhilarating and fun driving experience.

The 570S, which recently won the 2016 Motor Trend Best Driver's Car Award and the 2016 Auto Express Performance Car of the Year Award,

boasts an incredible 562bhp, incorporating a unique body styling, including the Sport Aero Pack with new rear diffuser, front splitter and side skirts, and an even more driver-focused chassis that further increases its appeal, while maintaining the day-to-day usability central to the Sports Series DNA.

Designed for the driver who wants an ultra-high performance car, yet still needs luxury touches, the McLaren 570GT's carbon-fibre chassis, lightweight aluminium body and twin-turbocharged 3.8-litre V8 engine contribute to an outstanding power-to-weight ratio, and its sleek, contoured nose and panoramic roof adds extra comfort and practicality to breathtaking performance.

