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## **The Huet Brothers HB Special**



Considering themselves extremely lucky having grown up among classic Alfas and vintage Bugattis, Paul and Tino Huet have created the HB Special Prototype, a series of roadsters that will not actually be for sale - they'll be the cars used for luxury touring adventures starting in 2008.

The HB Special, which will be handmade in a limited version of 12 cars, is a Barchetta-styled car, that evokes memories of the Mille Miglia, Targa Florio and Le Mans racers from the mid '50s. The concept and design are geared to provide a unique event even for the demands of an experienced classic car connoisseur.

Cars like the Aston Martin DBR1, the Maserati 300 S or the Ferrari 412 S have definitely influenced the overall look and feel of the HB Special. Noise, vibrations, road handling that require technique and mastery to handle - it is a car that is faithful to the original spirit of a classic racing car but does not aspire to be an identical copy.





The HB Special uses materials such as aluminium and carbon-fibre which means that the car only weighs 750 kg, its chassis and engine are from the Triumph TR6, improved and re-designed so that the straight-six motor, unlike the original version which had 105 -150 HP, now enjoys over 180 HP. The body is made out of a carbon-fibre shell which is produced in-house in The Netherlands. The cockpit and dashboard are aluminium.



For further details please visit the company's website, <u>www.huetbrothers.com</u>, where you can also visit the online shop to buy the limited edition **HB Benefactor Chronograph** and handmade **HB Leather Gloves**.

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