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## The Lamborghini Countach has been reborn as an 800hp cutting-edge monster

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As you may have heard, the Countach is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, so to celebrate Lamborghini has created the Countach LPI 800-4, a super capacitor-toting limited run reimagining of perhaps the hardest act to follow ever.



Mitja Borkert, Lamborghini’s Head of Centro Stile, must have endured at least a month’s-worth of sleepless nights leading up to today, because in the automotive world very few cars are as adored, and as significant as the original Countach. This then, is the Countach for the era of smartphones and organic hummus, but don’t worry - the slight electrification hasn’t dampened this bull’s rage. The Countach LPI 800-4 not only boasts a typically irate Lamborghini V12, producing 770hp, but also the super capacitor technology developed for the Sian, helping to push this reimagined Countach over the 800hp barrier — crikey!



Let’s be honest though, provided a V12 made it behind the driver’s seat, the drivetrain really is irrelevant by comparison to the LPI 800-4’s design. The original Countach was the car that first introduced the unmistakable Lamborghini silhouette that we’ve come to associate so closely with Sant’Agata’s supercars, defined by the single arching line running from front to rear. This new Countach takes inspiration from the five Countach models produced over nearly 20 years, primarily drawing from the clarity of the first LP 500 and LP 400’s designs. There are certainly also hints of Diablo and Murciélago as you move round the car, while the rear clearly signals to this car’s Sian-derived powertrain.



Take a seat inside, and the interior is immediately familiar to anyone who has experience Lamborghini’s current crop of supercars, particularly the Aventador. This is by no means a bad thing, but considering that this car’s price tag will fall upwards of £2 million, it is arguably lagging behind the competition from Bugatti and Koenigsegg — a very first-world problem, indeed. Just 112 Countach LPI 800-4’s will be produced, but what do you think - is this the automotive second coming, or just a distant second to the original?

**Gallery**









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