

# CLASSIC DRIVER

## [There's a new Lamborghini V12, but we only have eyes for this one](#)

### Lead

The all-new 217mph, hybrid Lamborghini Revuelto hypercar might be here with a bang, but its crazy styling had us reminiscing of a time when Lambo took a more elegant approach...



Fancying a car that is almost guaranteed to form crowds wherever you take it? Lamborghini is the brand for you. Since their humble beginnings, the Italian manufacturer has pushed the limits of performance and design, ensuring their cars have all the theatre of a sold-out West End show.

Their latest creation, the Revuelto explores the concept of electrification to help deliver the ultimate hypercar, with over 1,000bhp on tap, should you ever need it. Its name also holds some significance, supposedly being a tribute to a fighting bull who dominated the rings in Barcelona during the 1880s, and that got us thinking of another famous and equally as notorious bull, both in the bullring, and occasionally the Nürburgring.



Murciélago was a Navarra fighting bull, one that became something of an icon in the 1870s and became a fitting name for Lamborghini's most aggressive supercar since the Diablo. Unveiled in 2001 to more-than-eager clients, this low-slung, all-wheel-drive V12 monster would become one of the brand's most famous models, with plenty of special editions being released in its nine-year lifespan.

One of which is the example you see before you, the LP640. A rare car in coupé form, but a roadster variant is as rare as they come. Finished in Verde Draco, it's believed this example is one of just five examples in the entire world and features the all-important manual gearbox. Just the thought of a roaring, naturally aspirated V12 good for 640 horsepower mated to a 6-speed gated manual gearbox is truly the stuff of dreams, and something the newer breed of Lambos could only wish for.



Lift those iconic doors to discover a diamond-quilted alcantara interior that has aged wonderfully. The carbon fibre centre console is home to physical buttons aplenty, something of a rarity in modern hypercars.

If the aftermarket wheels aren't your thing, this fine example thankfully comes with the originals, as well as a wealth of documentation for complete peace of mind. With 2000s era cars reaching new records seemingly every month, it's almost a given that an example such as this is a classic of the future!

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