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Morgan: special editions of its classic Plus 8 and 4/4 sports cars



The Morgan Motor Company is celebrating its return to the race track at Le Mans with special commemorative editions of its classic Plus 8 and 4/4 sports cars.

Designed as a tribute to 'TOK 258' - the 1962 two litre class-winning Morgan Plus Four - the Le Mans '62 editions feature a host of unique features that bring the pioneering spirit of motor racing to life.

Commenting, Christopher Lawrence, the man who led the winning team in 1962 and is now Chief Development Engineer at Morgan, said:

"It's really wonderful to see a classic Morgan racing car live again. Times have certainly changed, and the Aero 8 GTN car we have built for the DeWalt/Race Sports Salisbury 2002 Le Mans entry is a very different animal to the car I drove in 1962. But the pioneering spirit is very much alive and well at Morgan, and this Special Edition is a superb reminder of our roots."

Only 80 individually-numbered Le Mans '62 cars will be hand-built at the famous Malvern Link factory, 40 each in Plus 8 and 4/4 versions. One thing has certainly changed - customers will not have a long wait to get behind the wheel of a piece of history. Following recent investments in manufacturing facilities, waiting time for all Morgan models has been reduced to under 18 months.

Le Mans '62 features include a specially-developed hard top, unique Morgan Racing Green finish, and racing trim throughout.

Special features - Plus 8 and 4/4 models -

- Polished stainless steel over-riders front and rear
- Repositioned number plates front and rear
- Under trays front and rear
- Polished Stainless Steel 6jx16 wheels with 2 eared spinners
- Yokohama racing pattern tyres
- Increased rake, 9 stud windscreen
- Driver's side door handle
- Composite hard top with lining
- Individually numbered Mota lita wood-rim Le Mans steering wheel
- Classic cream-faced instruments
- Stained wood dashboard with crackle finish switch panel
- Drilled racing clutch and brake pedals and organ style accelerator pedal
- Perforated leather seat inserts
- Sports gear knob
- Le Mans 62 footwell mats
- Performance exhausts
- Monza racing filling cap
- Speakers and aerial
- Le Mans 62 badge
- Finished in Morgan Le Mans 62 racing green

Optional extras:

- Hood and Tonneau set
- On 4/4 models: Low-line body, short-shift gear change

Price including VAT:

Le Mans 62 Plus 8: £39,900. Le Mans 62 4/4: £27,500

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