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## More Ford GTs for Europe as order books close



A total of 101 new Ford GTs will be officially imported to Europe from 2004, a reflection of the massive interest the car has generated amongst enthusiasts in the UK and Europe.

This number is the same as the original volume of Ford GTs officially produced by Ford in Europe through the lifetime of the original model.

European customers wanting to register their interest in purchasing a new Ford GT have been able to do so via a dedicated website, <a href="www.FordTeamRS.com">www.FordTeamRS.com</a>. To date, 2,150 customers have registered online or approached Ford directly to purchase.



This opportunity closed on November 21 and customers already registered will now be sent an application form to take the next step towards purchase. Up to December 7, anybody who has not registered will be able to access the application form on <a href="https://www.FordTeamRS.com">www.FordTeamRS.com</a>.

Only a lucky few of those registered to buy a Ford GT will be able to do so. They will be individually identified via carefully considered criteria, intended to match the most deserving and appropriate buyers with this iconic car. The President and COO of Ford of Europe, Lewis Booth, and his most senior executives will approve the final selection.



Individually approved dealers will act as the official import agents for Ford GT in three European countries. Capital Ford, Edgware Road, London will be the UK's lead Ford GT dealer, with further arrangements planned to allow customers to nominate a local dealer for delivery of the car.

UK and European prices of the left-hand-drive only, 500bhp Ford GT will be announced closer to its official import in 2004. In the US, a price of under \$150,000 has been indicated, but a premium is expected in Europe to cover additional shipment and homologation costs.

The first customer Ford GT – car number 10 – was auctioned for charity at the 2003 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance in California on August 17 and realised US\$557,500 (£326,788), exceeding all Ford's expectations.

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