

CLASSIC DRIVER

New Porsche 911 Revealed



Porsche today releases first pictures of its new 911 model. On sale in the UK from September 18th, this latest generation (Type 997) builds on the proven strengths of the 911 model line to move the evolution of the iconic sports coupe on another stage. The established design cues that have made the Porsche 911 recognisable the world over are given new energy, and further changes under the skin provide increased efficiency, more safety and greater levels of driving enjoyment.

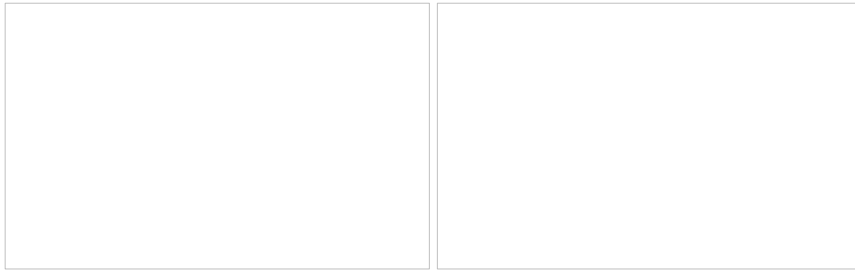
Two new 911 models will be launched simultaneously: the 911 Carrera with a 239 kW (325 bhp), 3.6 litre six cylinder 'boxer' engine, and the 911 Carrera S, powered by a newly-developed 3.8 litre engine, which delivers 261 kW (355 bhp). With torque output of 400 Nm (295 lb ft), the S model accelerates from zero to 100 kph (0-62 mph) in 4.8 seconds. The Carrera achieves this in exactly five seconds. Top speeds for the Carrera and Carrera S are 177 mph (285 kph) and 182 mph (293 kph) respectively.

The new 911 models will be launched across continental Europe on July 17th and will go on sale throughout the UK from September 18th. The car will make its world Motor Show debut at the Paris Salon in September.

Both 911 models have a newly-developed six-speed manual gearbox and revised chassis dynamics, which includes active suspension, called "Porsche Active Suspension Management" (PASM). In the "normal" position, PASM provides a sporty and comfortable balance to the suspension; engaging the "sport" function, however, makes the suspension firmer providing enhanced agility for enthusiastic drivers. PASM is fitted as standard on the S model and available as an option on the Carrera. A further option for both models is a sports suspension package, which lowers the body by 20 mm, offered in combination with a mechanical limited-slip differential.

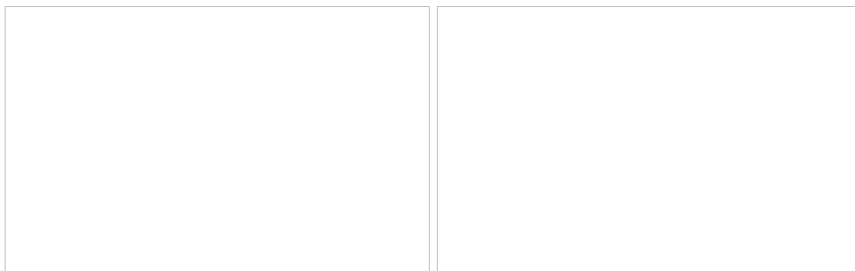


The specification of the wheels and tyres fitted to the Porsche 911 has also evolved: the 911 Carrera now has, as standard, 8J x 18 wheels with 235/40 ZR 18 tyres at the front and 10J x 18 wheels with 265/40 ZR 18 tyres at the rear. For the first time, 19 inch diameter wheels are available on the Porsche 911 and the Carrera S is equipped with 8J x 19 wheels with 235/35 ZR 19 tyres (front) and 11J x 19 wheels with 295/30 ZR 19 tyres (rear).



The design of the latest Porsche 911 is a logical continuation of the 911 story, now in its 41st year. The result of the new exterior design – including a wider track and more emphasis on the waist – is a 911 which is even more dynamic, clear, powerful and, at the same time, elegant. Other features of the evolutionary design are new circular headlamps, more prominent bumpers and wheelarches, dual-arm exterior mirrors, altered seam characteristics and a more aerodynamic rear spoiler.

The price for the new Porsche 911 Carrera is £58,380 (including VAT) and £65,000 for the 911 Carrera S. Both models offer Porsche Stability Management (PSM) fitted as standard. These prices also include UK specification feature content including full leather interior trim and graduated tinted windscreen.



Note: The 997 generation Porsche 911 is being introduced only as a two-wheel drive Carrera model. The current line-up of wide-bodied all-wheel drive models (Carrera 4, Carrera 4S, Turbo) plus GT2, GT3 and GT3 RS, will continue in production.

Text & Photos: Porsche

Gallery

Hide gallery

Hide gallery

Source URL: <https://www.classicdriver.com/en/article/new-porsche-911-revealed>

© Classic Driver. All rights reserved.