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Top Marques Monaco 2005



The Luxury and Supercar show, Top Marques, makes its second appearance at the Grimaldi Forum, Thursday 5th May to Sunday 8th May 2005. This totally unique exhibition will display the World's fastest and most exclusive supercars assembled together in one venue.

New this year are over a dozen supercar exhibitors rarely seen before in the Riviera. Here are just a few to whet the enthusiast's appetite:

Studio-G - G350

A muscular, racebred sportscar, capturing the best of the sixties and adding forty years of engineering development to produce a beautiful, dependable classic. The G350, with styling by Studio-G Designs and hand built by Gardner Douglas, is a special limited edition of 50 cars. Thrilling performance matched to sensational handling with lovely V8 music – cruising down the coast would be a pleasure in this car!

MB Road Cars - EOS

A unique race-bred supercar. The EOS concept has been developed by a team of experienced Formula 1 designers with the aim of creating the ultimate road-going supercar using advanced design and manufacturing technologies. Capable of over 200 mph and 0 – 60 in 3.6 seconds.

Noble - M400

With a power to weight ratio of 400bhp per tonne (hence the name), the M400 is not only substantially more powerful than the other cars in the M12 range, but it also showcases a variety of unique features not seen in other Nobles. The M400 is not only one of the fastest production cars of its type, but its chassis has now been sharpened to give the driver even greater control of the car at speed. Make no mistake, the M400 is so much more than just a 'track-day special'.

Radical - SR8

A brand new sports prototype powered by a 2.6 litre V8 mounted in-line and driving through a six speed box. The SR8 is quoted as being the "greatest trackcar in creation, no question" by *Autocar* magazine in a recent test, while the SR4, which was awarded "Trackday Car of the Year 2004" by *Evo Magazine*, is now even better, in its 2005 guise!

Mansory

Exclusive designer for highest quality automobiles, now MANSORY has taken a step further by designing his new project MANSORY GT based on a new Bentley Continental GT.

Venturi Fetish

Where public opinion considers an electric vehicle to be ugly, Fétish is the first electric car to be beautiful and desirable. Make no mistake this electric car can perform! Fétish offers a remarkable acceleration and a maximum speed of 170 Km/h, well above the maximum speed limit.

Bugatti Veyron

The exciting 1001 bhp, over 400 km/h top-speed and 16 cylinder mid engine-Veyron is the first Bugatti that will continue the activities of the legendary marque since the Volkswagen group bought its rights in 1998.

Corvette - C6

The most powerful standard Corvette ever; it raises the level of car excellence and gathers sport and comfort

in a very unique way. The new Corvette generation inherited a lot from racing successes and was highly inspired by its 3 Le Mans GTS victories.

In addition to the newcomers there will be the supercar stars from 2004 including **Koenigsegg, Pagani, Saleen, Wiesmann, Wysstec, Lotec, Ferrari, Aston Martin, Bentley, BMW, Rolls-Royce, Mercedes** and **Lamborghini**. Never have some many special cars been seen under one roof in the glorious environment of Monaco.



News: Such is the enthusiasm for this special market from China alone, that **Top Marques Shanghai** will also take place from 18 - 21 October 2005. As one of the fastest growing economies in the World with an ever increasing number of multi-millionaires this new show is probably set to break all records.

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