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Jaguar XKR to debut in London



Jaguar will officially launch the 'R', supercharged, version of its highly-acclaimed XK model at 2006 London Motor Show on July 18, 2006. The car features a 4.2-litre, supercharged V8 engine developing 420bhp giving an electronically limited top speed of 155 mph.

Designed in parallel with the naturally aspirated 2007 XK Coupe and Convertible, the new supercharged XKR exhibits enhanced performance styling cues such as a sportier new grille and front bumper design, a vented hood and distinctive aluminum-effect side power vents. Its unique option 19- or 20-inch alloy wheel designs and standard quad-exhaust system also add to its overall presence.





"The new supercharged XKR captures perfectly the essence of what makes a Jaguar XK so special," commented Bibie Boerio, Jaguar Cars managing director. "It is a perfect combination of refined Grand Tourer and serious performance sports car that delivers a truly rewarding and exhilarating driving experience."

The car's 0-60 mph acceleration is 4.9 seconds is achieved via a six-speed automatic transmission with steering-wheel-mounted shift paddles, the supercharged engine having another 120 HP over the standard car. The XKR has uprated springs and dampers, and recalibrated Computer Active Technology Suspension (CATS) system for enhanced ride and handling, as well as an Active Exhaust System to ensure cruising speed refinement, but purposeful V8 roar under hard acceleration. Inside, the enhanced interior includes unique aluminum 'weave' design on the fascia (polished burl walnut is optional at no extra cost) and XKR sports seats.

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