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'edo competition' Carrera GT



If those fortunate individuals who own a Carrera GT are starting to find that 612HP (604bhp) is becoming a bit passé, they can now opt for a development package which will raise power to even more astronomic levels. There's a choice: you can have 670HP, 715HP or even 770HP - which equates to 661bhp, 705bhp and 759bhp in old money. German tuning company edo competition (they don't like capital letters...) uses a modified intake system, re-calibrated engine controls, high-flow air filters and new header catalytic converters to help achieve these outlandish figures.

Rounding off the engine modifications is a full stainless steel performance exhaust system, featuring electronic programmable butterfly-valve control. Developed on the dynamometer from start to finish, the exhaust realises a power increase of 25bhp and boosts torque by 22lb ft, while being an astounding 18kg lighter. Does it still sound good, though? Well, acoustics are something that edo competition has put a lot of thought into. The sports exhaust system is available in two sound levels, either way producing a "deep and sonorous tone", we're assured.





There are also mods to the aerodynamics, with an edo competition rear wing fabricated entirely from carbonfibre. The centre portion of the Gurney flap rises, along with the retractable rear wing, to produce additional downforce on the rear axle – plus there are fixed flaps on either side of the wing.

Meanwhile, edo uses its own three-way adjustable dampers and sports suspension system. The gas monotube dampers can be separately adjusted for compression and rebound and feature a remote oil reservoir. All very motorsport. As an optional extra, the edo customer can specify an electrohydraulic nose-lift system, if desired.

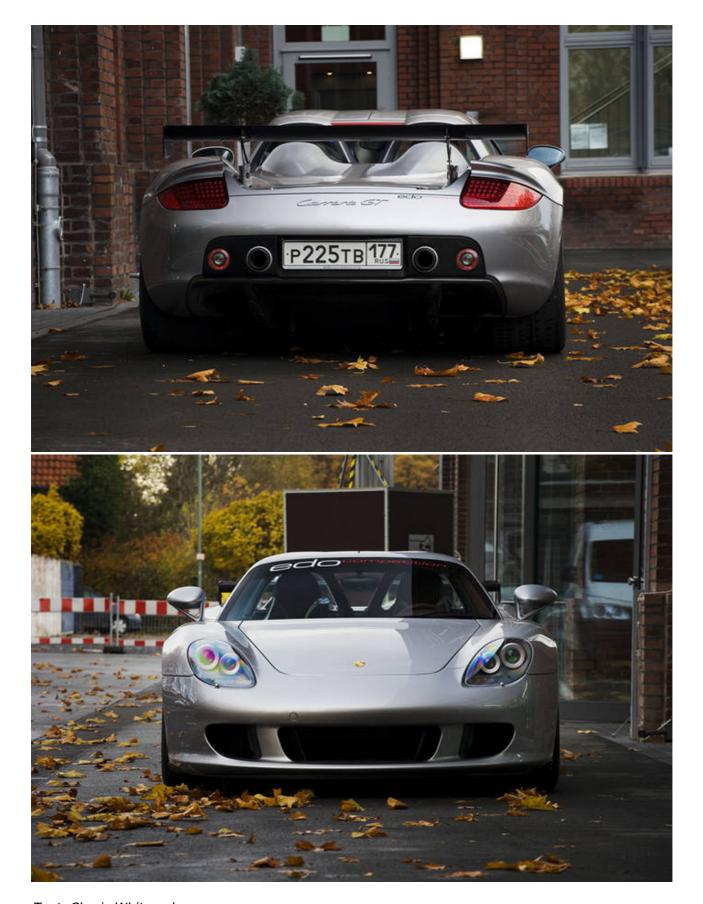
Employing a new wheel design, the edo competition Carrera GT is equipped with a set of 18in forged wheels encased in Michelin Pilot Sport Cup tyres (265/35 18 front; 345/30 18 rear). With their polished stainless steel outer rims and high-strength aluminium inner rims, the wheels are the visual icing on the cake.

All modifications are carried out exclusively at edo competition Motorsport GmbH in Ahlen. See www.edo-competition.de. The performance figures provided aren't as complete as we'd like but the 670HP model does 0-62mph in a claimed 3.4 seconds. As to the mpg – who knows?









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