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Maserati GranTurismo S



Twelve months after the model's debut, Maserati will reveal a sportier GranTurismo at Geneva. With a 440bhp V8, upgraded Brembo brakes and an 'MC-Shift' transaxle, the car promises a sportier take on the highly rated GT.

The big – genuine occasional four-seater – car had been a departure from the outgoing model, featuring as it did on launch a 'conventional' 6-speed automatic, albeit with the option of paddle-actuation. With the 'S' model, Maserati has re-introduced a more sporting element via the more powerful motor, semi-automated gearbox and 'dual-cast technology' brakes.

The latter have already been seen in the **Maserati Quattroporte Sport GT S** and feature a system developed by experts at Brembo that cleverly combines cast iron and aluminium for the discs and rotors. This, together with aluminium mono-bloc 6-piston brake calipers, should address early road test criticisms of the car's stopping performance *in extremis*.

Externally, the new version has styling cues to mark its difference from the standard GranTurismo while, on the inside, the cockpit is finished in Poltrona Frau leather and Alcantara, the more supportive seats (than normal) featuring horizontal piping.



Full details to come in our special report from the Geneva Salon.

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