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New Porsche Cayman Breaks 300bhp Barrier



The Boxster-based Cayman sidles another step closer to the 911 Carrera this autumn, with the arrival of the limited-edition Cayman S Sport. The new model in Porsche's range of civilised sportscars breaks through the 300bhp glass ceiling and, we're told, 'combines the mid-engined dynamics of the Cayman S with the visual impact of the iconic 911 GT3 RS'.

Yet one thing we can be sure of: whatever performance upgrades are granted the Cayman, Porsche will always make sure the 911 stays several steps ahead.

Over and above the extra power (303bhp from the Cayman S's 3.4-litre flat-six), the S Sport's additional features include Porsche Active Suspension Management (PASM) as standard, which means the car will be 10mm lower. And 5mm spacers will push the 19-inch SportDesign wheels further out into the wheelarches, for both visual appeal and cornering performance.





There's also a bespoke range of colour combinations. The 'standard' colours of the new S Sport are the Orange or Green of the 911 GT3 RS, while it will – as with other Cayman models – proudly bear its name in dramatic black graphics down the side. Of course, there are other options when it comes to colour: Black, Guards Red, Speed Yellow and Carrera White or – at extra cost – Arctic Silver Metallic.

The sporty cosmetics extend to black-painted alloy wheels, exterior mirrors and air-intake grilles, plus a black interior design package and a unique, circular instrument display without the usual binnacle above. The Alcantara finish on the gearshift, handbrake lever, and steering wheel rim also adds to what Porsche calls the 'purposeful ambience'.



The picture is completed with Bi-Xenon headlights, the Sports Chrono Package and sports seats in leather, along with a sports exhaust system and twin tailpipes. The 'Sport' versions of the Cayman S are limited to an exclusive series of just 700 units worldwide, hence the plaque on the glovebox bearing the car's edition number.

The Cayman S Sport goes on sale in the UK and Ireland on September 13, priced from £49,890.

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