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Audi RS 6 Saloon: 572bhp and even quicker than the estate...

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**Back in April we test-drove the new supercar estate, the Audi RS 6 quattro Avant, and were swept away - literally and metaphorically - by its 572bhp (580PS) twin-turbocharged 5.0-litre V10. It was, at the time, the most powerful car Audi had ever built for the road.**

Now the saloon version of the RS 6 has been unveiled to coincide with the launch of Audi's new A6 range. With the same 10-cylinder bi-turbo powerhouse as the RS 6 Avant but, presumably, a lighter body, the flagship saloon's 0-62mph sprint is actually - should you be concerned by such things - 0.1 seconds quicker, at a blistering 4.5 seconds.



With optimised six-speed tiptronic automatic transmission, the RS 6 quattro Saloon can continue on its potent trajectory until its electronic governor cuts in at either 155mph or 175mph - whichever the buyer decides. Despite the phenomenal performance, the combined fuel economy of 20.3mpg is a whisker better than the estate, too. Audi calls the fuel consumption a 'real-world figure', achievable thanks to FSI injection.



UK order books for the RS 6 Saloon open this week, with deliveries scheduled for November. Prices start at £76,160 and, if sales of the estate version are anything to go by, you'd better get your skates on if you want to be among the first to own this supercar saloon.

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