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## Exige Scura: the Dark Side of Lotus



**The Tokyo International Motor Show, which starts this week, sees the launch of the latest special edition from Lotus, the 'Exige Scura'. The name 'Scura' means 'dark' in Italian, and - says Lotus - is due to the 'stealth character of the already fierce-looking sportscar'.**

We're told that the matt black paint finish has a velvety texture, while contrasting, high-gloss Phantom Black triple stripes run the length of the car. The dark 'Scura' theme continues through the carbonfibre front splitter, oil-cooler inlet vanes, side airscops and rear spoiler. There's plenty of carbonfibre inside, too, all finished in clear lacquer which, along with the anthracite-coloured metal details, give the cabin a 'raw and racy ambience'.



Just 35 cars Exige Scuras will be made, with enhancements to performance and - thanks to all that carbonfibre - a weight reduction compared with the production Exige S.

Equipped with the most powerful engine in the Exige range and generating 256bhp, the Exige Scura sprints from 0-62mph in 4.1 seconds yet emits only 199g/km of CO2. Lotus Launch Control and Traction Control come as standard. The on-the-road UK price is expected to be £45,950.

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