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## Brabus Takes Most Powerful Mercedes Ever... and Adds Power

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**High-performance specialists at Brabus have decided that the most powerful production Mercedes of all time, the SL 65 AMG Black Series, could do with a touch more... power. Apparently 670PS and 1000Nm of torque just wasn't enough.**

So, Brabus's tuned **T65 RS** engine ups the output of the 6.0-litre V12 to 800PS (788bhp), with a massive peak torque of 1420Nm (1047lb ft), although torque is electronically limited to a mere 1100Nm (811lb ft).

And acceleration? Well, strap yourself tightly into this two-seater, as it promises to take you from rest to 200km/h (124mph) in 9.8 seconds. That's 200km/h, mind you, not your more usual 100km/h (62mph), which you'll skim past in just 3.6 seconds. Top speed is claimed to be more than 330km/h – or 206mph – but, should you want to put it to the test, you'll find the electronic limiter cutting off the fun at 200mph. It's to protect your tyres.



The **T65 RS** tuning upgrades are multiple and fairly complex, but include **Brabus's** own twin-turbo system with exhaust manifolds that contain integrated turbine housings and turbochargers. Four, large intercoolers are installed under the Brabus carbonfibre bonnet scoop, while a stainless-steel exhaust system with free-flow metal catalysts was specifically designed by **Brabus** for the **Black Series** upgrade. Needless to say, newly programmed engine electronics coordinate the interaction of all the high-tech components.

Cosmetically, **Brabus** offers various options for the upgraded car, from matt black paint to personalised logos on the illuminated scuff plates and speedometer.



See [www.brabus.com](http://www.brabus.com) for more details.

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