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## New Stratos GT2 Announced



**No sooner is the 'New Stratos' launched to the media at Paul Ricard, than the team behind the project has another major announcement to make: alongside the road-going model will be a GT2 competition version. What's more, the first glimpse of the new GT2 racer is in the form of a highly detailed scale model from Amalgam.**

This is, of course, an appropriate step in the development of a new version of the legendary Stratos, a car originally conceived as Lancia's secret weapon in world rallying – and later giving rise to the Gp5 racing version. The Stratos name could now return to the race tracks thanks to help from Turin-based Danisi Engineering, a respected Italian road and race engineering firm which has worked in the past with Pininfarina, the firm responsible for the design and build of the New Stratos.





The Amalgam 1/8 scale model, wearing instantly recognisable light blue livery, is detailed enough to show many of the styling changes necessary to comply with GT2 regulations. These include optimised

aerodynamics for improved cooling and downforce, plus the visually dominating rear wing. The GT2 car also has such race-derived details as a reduced ride height and quick-release fuel filler cap.

Prices for the New Stratos GT2 racer have not been announced, but you can have a taste of what's to come by purchasing one of the limited-edition Amalgam models - for £3250.00.

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