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## All-new Porsche Cayman: Still not a 911, but...

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*Following the recent releases of the all-new 911 and Boxster, Porsche has revealed the second generation of its mid-engined sports coupé, the Cayman. Like its new siblings, it's lower, wider, and offers increased performance and economy.*

The latest addition to the family takes much the same route as the others, both dynamically and aesthetically - and while the styling isn't exactly revolutionary, nip-tuck treatments have given it a more muscular appearance. The wheelbase is stretched, the (larger) wheels are pushed further towards the corners, and overall it makes a stronger suggestion about the new car's driving character - for which, of course, the first Cayman was highly commended.





A wider track at both axles promises increased cornering stability and agility, and the optional PDK dual-clutch gearbox has a mode which prevents upchanges during instances of controlled power oversteer. Like its predecessor, two flavours are available from launch: the 2.7-litre entry-level model with 271bhp, or the 3.4-litre S with 321bhp, both in Porsche's signature flat-six configuration.



Despite having more power than their forebears, both have in fact had their engine capacities

reduced by 0.2 litres. This – along with overall weight reductions, smart energy recuperation systems and a switch to electro-mechanical steering – equates to economical improvements of around 15% across the range.



New additions to the options list include Adaptive Cruise Control, a keyless entry and engine start function, and a 12-speaker sound system developed by Burmester. Pricing information will be revealed at a later date.

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