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[The new Porsche Boxster Spyder still \(thankfully\) requires handiwork](#)

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With its lightweight fabric roof, manual gearbox, sparse interior and limited production numbers, the original Porsche Boxster Spyder was a hit with purists and collectors alike. Now, the follow-up to the minimalist, mid-engined sports car has been revealed in New York...

Survivor of the PDK invasion



Again, the Porsche Boxster Spyder has no radio, no air-conditioning, and a manually operated roof – but most refreshing is that Porsche will again offer the car only with a manual gearbox, despite the insistence on PDK invasion elsewhere in the product range. The company once again opts for the traditional, simplistic driving experience championed by its petite forefathers (think [550 Spyder](#)), albeit with contemporary performance. Its brakes and 370bhp 3.8-litre flat-six engine, for example, have been lifted from the [911 Carrera](#); the front and rear bumpers have been borrowed from the recently revealed Cayman GT4. It's those 718-style rear deck bulges that win it the seal of approval from our editorial office, though.

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