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Will the rumoured McLaren F1 successor live up to the legend?

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McLaren is allegedly developing a successor to the legendary F1, but while the new car is believed to retain the original's signature three-seat configuration and dihedral doors, sadly that's where the similarities end...

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Slated for reveal in 2018, the new McLaren F1, according to Autocar, will be designed as the 'ultimate Gran Tourer' rather than an all-out supercar, with emphasis on comfort and refinement for cross-continent journeys. It will be powered by an evolved version of the 3.8-litre twin-turbocharged V8 from the P1 and will, naturally, be very fast – mooted figures suggest over 700bhp and a 200mph-plus top speed. Interestingly, there will be no electric assistance like that in the P1 – an ode to the analogue nature of the original, perhaps? Like the F1, just 64 will be built, priced at £2m each. We wonder whether, on hearing the news, Gordon Murray secretly grinned to himself? The King is *not* dead, long live the King!

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