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Feel the God of Wind in your hair with the 754bhp Pagani Huayra Roadster

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The long-awaited convertible version of the Pagani Huayra has been revealed ahead of its Geneva debut next month. The 754bhp ‘carbotanium’ titan defies convention by weighing 80kg less than its hard-topped counterpart, thanks primarily to knowledge gleaned from the hardcore ‘BC’ model...

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When removing the roof, we’re pleased to report that the Huayra has lost none of its signature Pagani outrageousness — if anything, the subtle aesthetic changes, such as the gills on the rear deck, flared rear headlights, and elongated nose, have added to the 2.3m-euro hypercar’s menace. If the changes above the surface are minimal, those under are far more significant. The twin turbocharged 6.0-litre V12 has been reworked to produce 754bhp (34bhp up on the coupé) and 738ft-lb of torque, while the use of a lighter gearbox and suspension system, an ultra-stiff ‘Carbo-Triax’ monocoque, and the brand’s patented ‘carbotanium’ bodywork make for a 1,280kg dry weight, an impressive 80kg less than the coupé. The conventional side-opening doors, as opposed to the hardtop’s ‘Gullwings’, might be a point of contention, but the scarcely believable headline figures surely compensate. Suffice to say, all 100 Huayra Roadsters — which will be delivered with either a carbon-fibre and glass or stowable fabric roof — have already been allocated to their lucky new owners.

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