



Press Information
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The new Mercedes-AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport

- World premiere of highly exclusive limited edition at Pebble Beach Automotive Week
- The last AMG GT3 variant equipped with a naturally aspirated engine
- Combines traditional design elements with optimized aerodynamics and exceptional features

Affalterbach. Mercedes-AMG is celebrating 130 Years of Motorsport under the iconic three-pointed star. The anniversary dates back to the first automotive competition, from Paris to Rouen on July 22, 1894, where a Daimler licensed engine secured a victory. To commemorate this historic milestone, Mercedes-AMG is celebrating the world premiere of the new AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport under the theme “Racing Legend Remastered” at the 2024 Pebble Beach Automotive Week. Limited to just 13 units worldwide, the highly exclusive model blends two iconic eras of motorsport. Modern motorsport technology meets traditional design elements of the legendary race cars from the 1950s. With 671 hp, the non-homologated special model is the most powerful GT3 ever built in Affalterbach. It represents the final Mercedes-AMG GT3 variant to be powered by a naturally aspirated engine.

Performance: Aero update and Drag Reduction System

Unlike the standard model, the Mercedes-AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport is not subject to the limits of homologation. For this reason, the legendary Handcrafted AMG 6.3-liter V8 naturally aspirated engine has been further optimized without an air restrictor and with a special exhaust system to deliver a peak output of 671 hp. Power is transmitted via a sequential six-speed racing transmission with modified gear ratios. As with all Mercedes-AMG race cars, the transaxle transmission is mounted on the rear axle and connected to the engine in a torsionally rigid and torque resistant manner with a carbon fiber torque tube.

The aerodynamic components have also undergone extensive development, increasing downforce by 15 percent compared to the standard GT3. This includes a new front splitter, air outlets (louvers) in the front fenders, changes to the side skirts, underbody and rear diffuser. The wider rear wing optimizes the aero balance.

The Drag Reduction System (DRS), inspired by Formula 1™ and Class 1 DTM, is a new and central feature that allows for drag reduction at the touch of a button on the steering wheel, which moves the rear wing into a flat position. To maintain the aero balance, active elements on the front underbody are extended at the same time. This technology enables a top speed of over 196 mph to be achieved despite the high level of downforce. During lateral acceleration or deceleration, the active elements immediately return to their original downforce position.

The limited edition model is equipped with all proven safety features of the Mercedes-AMG GT3 including, a carbon fiber safety cell connected to the chassis, five-point harness, safety nets, steel roll cage, fire suppression system, motorsport safety fuel tank and an emergency hatch. The extensive equipment also includes a sophisticated racing ABS and a multi-adjustable traction control system.

The exclusive high performance braking system, inspired by Formula 1™, features carbon brake discs instead of the steel discs required by GT3 regulations, making the Edition 130Y model significantly lighter than the homologated version.

Track record: Mercedes-AMG special model sets fastest lap time at Mount Panorama Circuit in Australia

After two years of development and extensive testing, Mercedes-AMG Performance Driver Jules Gounon demonstrated the outstanding performance of the vehicle on February 17, 2024, at the Mount Panorama Circuit in Australia for the first time. Driving a prototype of the Mercedes-AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport, Gounon beat the track record for GT cars on the iconic 3.868-mile circuit by 2.074 seconds with a time of 1 minute 56.605 seconds.

Design: Interplay of modern motorsport technologies with traditional visual elements

The Mercedes-Benz 300 SL W 194 race car from 1952 served as the design inspiration for the limited edition anniversary model. Classic visual elements from the brand’s first fixed roof race car characterize the exterior of the Mercedes-AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport. The exclusive silver paint finish is reminiscent of the legendary Silver Arrows. Blue accents on the front fenders and radiator grille surround harken back to the winning race cars driven in 1952 by Hans Klenk and Karl Kling in the Carrera Panamericana and by Hermann Lang and Fritz Riess in the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Weight-optimized 18-inch magnesium wheels, extensive carbon elements and a striking AMG crest on the roof connect the design of the special model to modern race cars.

The close link between tradition and innovation is also evident in the interior. Advanced motorsport technologies such as the Bosch DDU 10 cockpit display with enlarged screen and high-resolution graphics support the driver. Visually, the interior is inspired by the Mercedes-Benz SLR 300 models from 1955, which achieved worldwide fame with Juan Manuel Fangio at the wheel. This includes blue checkered fabric seat upholstery, brown leather headrest upholstery and door loops, and a bespoke steering wheel with anodized buttons and walnut wood handles. The limited edition model also features an exclusive “GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport” badge on the center console.

Extensive delivery package with racing gear and custom car cover

Each Mercedes-AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport unit includes an exclusive delivery package with a custom car cover and a host of race equipment for the driver. Designed in collaboration with Mercedes-AMG Official Partner PUMA, the racing gear mirrors the styling of the vehicle’s exterior and features a personalized racing suit, gloves, racing underwear and shoes. It is further complemented by a high quality custom helmet from BELL. Customers also receive a personalized bag designed to match the blue checkered pattern of the seat upholstery, with space to accommodate all of the included racing gear. The package is rounded out with a 1:8 scale model car of the Mercedes-AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport and an exclusive, personalized certificate of authenticity.

At a Glance

Engine	Handcrafted AMG 6.3-liter V8 naturally aspirated engine without air restrictor
Output	671 hp at 7,250 rpm
Torque	538 lb-ft at 5,250 rpm
Top speed	Over 196 mph
Transmission	Sequential AMG six-speed competition transmission
Electronics	Motorsport electronics, multi-adjustable ABS and AMG TRACTION CONTROL

Brakes	High performance braking system with adjustable brake balance, 6-piston fixed calipers with 15.4-inch carbon brake discs at the front, 4-piston fixed calipers with 14-inch carbon brake discs at the rear
Wheels	18-inch AMG magnesium wheels with center lock
Suspension	Double wishbone front axle/rear axle, motorsport dampers with four-way adjustable rebound and compression, adjustable anti-roll bars
Aerodynamics	High downforce configuration consisting of louvers, splitters, side skirts, rear diffuser, underbody and rear wing with DRS (Drag Reduction System)
Fuel tank	31.7 gallons, motorsport safety tank
Interior	Carbon safety cell, five-point harness, safety nets, steel roll cage, fire suppression system, adjustable steering wheel and pedals, blue checkered seat upholstery, leather door loops and headrests, edition-specific badge
Cockpit	Bosch DDU 10, specially developed steering wheel with shift paddles and anodized knobs and walnut handles
Dimensions & weight	Length: 188.8", Width: 80.8", Height: 51"; Curb weight: 2,811 lbs.
Delivery package	Car cover, race gear, bag, personalized certificate of authenticity and 1:8 scale model car
Retail price	EUR 1,030,000.00 (price excl. VAT)

"This year, we are celebrating 130 Years of Motorsport under the sign of the three-pointed star. And at AMG, motor racing is also an essential part of the DNA. With the Mercedes-AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport, we are once again underlining our history and our commitment to our internationally very successful Customer Racing program. We are delighted to present this exclusive GT3 collector's item to fans and enthusiasts of our brand for the first time here at this special occasion at Pebble Beach Automotive Week."

Michael Schiebe, CEO of Mercedes-AMG GmbH and Head of
Mercedes-Benz G-Class & Mercedes-Maybach Business Units

"The unique Mercedes-AMG GT3 Edition 130Y Motorsport is the crowning glory of our current motorsport portfolio. Not only is it strictly limited to 13 units, it is also the last GT3 version with our iconic AMG 6.3-liter V8 naturally aspirated engine. With this exclusive edition, we are also showing what is possible outside of the official homologation and we have integrated a number of technical refinements and lightweight components.

We are thus setting another milestone in our anniversary year and offering interested customers a product that is both technically and visually highly emotional."

Christoph Sagemüller, Head of Mercedes-AMG Motorsport

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