

# Legendary Aston Martin Vantage V600 - A Special Commission Of 14 Vehicles



The legendary Aston Martin Vantage V600 has been reborn in the form of a customer commissioned limited run of all-new breathtakingly beautiful Aston Martin V12 Vantage V600s, inspired and influenced by the original V8 Vantage V600.

In 1998, Aston Martin offered its customers the most extreme iteration of its Vantage sports-car, the supercharged V8 Vantage V600. Delivering 600bhp, the model was one of the most powerful sports cars of its time, a car of extremes.

Fast forward 20 years and the luxury British carmaker's unique personalisation service Q by Aston Martin received a customer commission for a strictly limited

run of 14 new Aston Martin V12 Vantage V600s. Split between seven coupes and seven roadsters and dubbed the 'Triple V', this unique series of manual V12 V600s have been commissioned, designed and handcrafted without compromise.

Underpinned by the previous-generation 'VH' Vantage, the 2018 Aston Martin V12 Vantage V600 combines the modern performance of a muscle sports car with timeless styling, creating the ultimate analogue Vantage.

Marek Reichman, Vice President & Chief Creative Officer Aston Martin said, "This is precisely why we created our 'Q by Aston Martin - Commission' service. Our customers can create

truly bespoke sports cars by personally collaborating with myself and Aston Martin's design team. The V600 name remains a classic in Aston Martin's heritage and I'm proud to see it adorn the V12 Vantage V600 once again".

Powered by an upgraded version of Aston Martin's impressive 6.0-litre naturally aspirated V12 engine, producing 600PS, the Vantage V600 is designed to excite the senses.

A 7-speed manual transmission provides an engaged driving experience, while the front and rear dual independent wishbone suspension - featuring 3-stage adaptive damping - produces a sublime ride in all conditions.

The V12 Vantage V600 has

commanding road presence and utilises aggressive styling cues across its full-carbon fibre exterior.

Like the 90s classic, the V600 utilises a re-imagined side-strake and a bulging bonnet that hints towards the power that lies underneath.

A unique darkened grille provides maximum air and cooling to the model's characterful V12, while the car's rear continues to signal towards the car's powerful nature.

An all-new carbon fibre diffuser provides the backdrop for an attention grabbing quad exhaust system.

The external look of the V600 is further distinguished by be-

spoke centre-lock forged and machined aluminum wheels.

The interior of the Vantage V600 is a study in the beauty of carbon fibre and dark anodised aluminum.

The lightweight seats have an all-new perforation pattern, carbon fibre centre console and bespoke driver information dials.

A hand-crafted saddle leather centre armrest provides comfort and style within ergonomic reach of the machined-from-solid gear shifter.

The 2018 Aston Martin V12 Vantage V600 is available on request with deliveries taking place in Q3 2018. Only seven Coupes and seven Roadster models will be offered.

## Subaru Victorious in Nürburgring 24-Hour Race

MISSISSAUGA: Subaru Canada, Inc. (SCI) has announced that its parent company's motorsports subsidiary, Subaru Tecnica International (STI), finished first in its class at the 2018 Nürburgring 24-Hour Race in Germany.

Entering a car based on a mass-production WRX STI, dubbed the Subaru WRX STI NBR Challenge 2018, the team overcame a number of mechanical- and weather-related issues to complete 112 laps of the famed 25.3-kilometre track on its way to the SP-3T class win. The team ended the race 62nd overall in the field of more than 100 finishers.

Although the team began the race from the pole position earned in qualifying, the car experienced mechanical trouble in the early stage of the race and trailed competitors.

However, the team of mechanics, including six chosen from Subaru dealers across Japan, addressed and solved the



problem promptly and the car returned to the race.

With the car back in action, the team's four drivers, including Carlo van

Dam(Netherlands), Tim Schrick (Germany), Hideki Yamauchi (Japan) and Takuto Iguchi (Japan), closed the gap and regained the top spot in the SP-3T class around the 10-hour mark in the race.

With weather conditions putting a literal damper on the race — the race was suspended for approximately two hours due to rain — the all-wheel drive Subaru WRX STI NBR Challenge 2018 was able to pass upper-class competitors as it extended its class lead. The car had to return to the pit area for engine trouble just an hour before the finish, but it returned to the course to claim the team's fifth class victory.

"The victory is a testament that the Subaru WRX STI is capable of fully exerting its AWD sports performance on circuits such as the Nürburgring, also known as the 'Green Hell,' which is one of the most challenging and dangerous tracks in the world that is open to the public," Subaru Corp. said in a statement.

Through its motorsports activities, Subaru and STI will continue to pursue engineering excellence to assure "Enjoy-

ment and Peace of Mind" to customers worldwide.

Tests such as the grueling endurance race at the Nürburgring also provides the chance to hone technologies like the SUBARU BOXER engine and our four-wheel independent suspension system. But there is more data to gather.

More can be learned from racing than from any computer simulation or laboratory test, especially when the goal is the highest levels of safety and ultimate performance.

Since 1992, Subaru has used the Nürburgring itself, as well as the 24-hour race held there, to prove the engineering of its vehicles and to develop technology that inspires driver confidence under all possible conditions.

Competing at high speeds for 24 consecutive hours has a way of revealing weakness in a car — just finishing the race is a significant accomplishment.

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