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Ford GT Supercar Upgraded for 2020 with More Power, New Special Edition

- The Ford GT is improved for 2020 with increased horsepower and upgraded engine cooling
- Titanium exhaust from Akrapovič is now standard for Ford GT; system brings performance exhaust expert's signature craftsmanship with deeply resonant, unmistakable sound
- Two new unique appearance options: Liquid Carbon features GT's carbon fiber body fully exposed; restyled Gulf Racing heritage livery pays homage to Ford's 1969 Le Mans win; plus, supercar's carbon fiber wheels are now available for the first time with heritage livery

DEARBORN, Mich., Feb. 06, 2020 – Today, Ford Performance announces upgrades to the Ford GT supercar for 2020, including increased engine power to 660 horsepower and improved cooling.

Much of the 2020 Ford GT's advancements are a result of Ford's continuous technological innovation, especially GT's 3.5-liter EcoBoost® twin-turbo V6.

"Ford GT continues to be the pinnacle of Ford performance," said Ed Krenz, Ford Performance chief program engineer. "GT is always the ultimate expression of Ford racing innovation, and as we know from the 1966 Le Mans through today, that means constantly raising our game for our customers as well as earning the checkered flag."

Continuous EcoBoost Innovation

Beyond 13 additional horsepower compared to 2017-19 GT supercars, the 2020 GT's EcoBoost engine features a broader torque band and revised engine calibration plus mechanical upgrades that include gallery-cooled pistons and higher-energy ignition coils, thanks to lessons learned from the limited-edition, track-only GT Mk II.

Additional engine cooling and airflow updates includes new buttress air ducts designed to increase air flow by 50 percent while larger intercoolers keep charge air temperatures cooler, preserving peak power for the most strenuous, high-temperature sessions at the track. Suspension damping is increased in track mode to further enhance handling and body control, particularly for those high-speed transient sections of closed-course circuits.

New Standard Akrapovič titanium exhaust

Ford Performance is also introducing the premium Akrapovič titanium exhaust as standard equipment for GT. Boasting the signature craftsmanship of these renowned race experts, this exhaust provides a nine-pound weight savings over the previous system while featuring that deeply resonant, unmistakable sound emanating from the more powerful EcoBoost engine.

Liquid Carbon

Newly available Ford GT Liquid Carbon places an emphasis on GT's lightweight sculpted carbon fiber body completely free of paint color. A special clearcoat punctuates each GT's unique carbon fiber weave in this limited-edition appearance option.

"This next chapter in the Ford GT story allows us to fully demonstrate our mastery in both the art and science of carbon fiber craftsmanship and finishing," said Angus Smith, General Manager of Multimatic Niche Vehicles, North America. "The results of this ongoing partnership between Multimatic and Ford Performance speak for themselves, as each visually stunning and unique Liquid Carbon GT is a manufacturing marvel, showcasing the characteristics and nuances inherent in carbon fiber composites."

Ford GT Liquid Carbon features carbon fiber wheels as standard equipment. Owners can choose titanium lugnuts, six-point racing harness anchors, five interior options and five caliper colors. Further personalization is available through two over-the-top stripe options – the dual center stripes offered on the standard Ford GT or the single stripe found on the Carbon Series as well as optional painted mirror caps. Stripes and mirror caps are available in any of the seven standard paint colors as well as the extended color palette. For the first time, these features can be ordered independently of one another.

Updated Gulf Racing Heritage Livery

Ford Performance is also updating GT's iconic heritage livery with a new design that includes a black pinstripe to divide the distinct blue and orange colors, recalling the 1968-69 Le Mans-winning GT40. The optional carbon fiber number switches from 9 on the 2019 model to 6 for 2020, matching that of the historic back-to-back winning car, chassis No. 1075. For the first time on a heritage model, carbon fiber wheels are available in lieu of aluminum alloy.

"Our team is very focused on delivering a car that exceeds customer expectations," said Mike Severson, Ford GT program manager. "The black pinstripe and carbon fiber wheels have been highly requested with the Gulf livery, so we committed to making that happen."

Deliveries of the upgraded 2020 Ford GT are ongoing, with production wrapping up in 2022.

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