

Lamborghini Countach comes back to life

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Lamborghini has revived the iconic Countach name and released a limited edition model, 30 years after the original Countach hit the roads.



It's a bold and brave move reviving iconic product names. There's a lot that can go wrong, especially if the original was seen as a benchmark for performance, design and so on, yet somehow it seems like Lamborghini has pulled it off. There's no denying this is not an all-new vehicle from the ground up and cynically you could say it's simply a reskinned Lamborghini Sian, which in turn is basically an Aventador with electric tech. That Aventador platform is quite old by today's standards, but still, just look at the overall product – it's striking.

Naturally, a Lamborghini will need to have a proper engine and a 6.5-litre naturally-aspirated V12 is assisted by a 48-Volt supercapacitor. Total outputs of the Lamborghini Countach LPI 800-4 are 599kW and 720Nm, giving it insane performance figures. The 0-100kph is dispatched in 2.8 seconds, 0-200 comes up in 8.6 seconds and it has a top speed of 355kph.

Inside, the cabin resembles the Lamborghini Sian FKP 37, but there are some retro-style themes inside too. Scissor doors were a must-have obviously, but we do wish it had pop-up headlights to complete the homage styling.

There will be 112 units built and we suspect that most are already spoken for. A very cool touch is customers can opt for one of the modern colours offered by Lamborghini, or go for one of the 1970 colours that made an appearance on the original Countach. They'll be hitting the roads in the first quarter of 2022.

As cool as it looks, we can't help but feel like the all-new Countach should have been an all-new offering to pay proper tribute to the original model that started the 80s supercar era.

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