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Ready to own the streets in this perfect spec Aston Martin Valkyrie Spider?

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A car seemingly sculpted from the latest Formula One cars, and somehow able to carry licence plates, the Aston Martin Valkyrie truly is a race-ready rocket ship for the road. This wonderfully specified example from Drivers Hall has us wide eyed!





Love them or loath them, it's hard to ignore the impact special project cars have had on the motoring world in the last decade. Often incredibly limited, usually relentlessly fast, and almost always a product of collaboration between some of the wisest minds in the industry, be it legendary Formula One designers, pioneering engineers or even a racing driver. The Aston Martin Valkyrie is all of those, combined into what can only be described as legal lunacy, a car that is eye-wateringly fast, cut almost entirely from the same cloth as the latest F1 cars, and yet somehow, carries its own registration and road legality. Once your brain has processed the speed, it's time to choose how you want your Valkyrie to look, and we think whoever specified this example from Drivers Hall knew just how to make it somehow blend in and stand out at the same time.

Incredibly, the Valkyrie was first announced way back in 2016, and felt something of a pipedream for the Aston Martin brand, one that was steeped in ambition but turmoil seemingly every quarter. Rarer still in cases like these where, the dream takes literal years to even become a reality, is that the Valkyrie delivers on every promise Aston Martin made, creating a car that is truly unlike anything else on the road, or the racetrack.



Under the skin of the Valkyrie sits a sea of carbon fibre, its tiny cabin mounted to a 6.5-litre naturally aspirated 65-degree V12 with an integrated Rimac-supplied electric motor crammed in for good measure, too. Working in perfect harmony, the result is a ludicrous 1,139 horsepower, with its total weight at 1,270 kilograms before fluids are added. Just to keep everything into the four-figures, Aston Martin worked their magic on the downforce as well, its dramatic styling producing 1,000kg of downforce, which is unusually found underneath the car rather than due to the body panels. Weight saving on a car like this is key to its success, and the wizards at Gaydon weren't messing around. Take the iconic winged badge as an example, it could have so easily been replaced with a sticker, and almost anyone wouldn't have second guessed it, but this is Aston Martin after all. Carved from titanium and just 40 microns thick, it is thinner than a hair follicle and over 99% lighter than the standard Aston badge. The result is a car that is seemingly hovering above the road, which large airflow gaps allowing you to see essentially straight to the road surface below, and therefore a truly unforgettable driving experience.





This fine example, build number 2 of just 85 Spiders produced, is a lesson in how to let the car's design do the talking. Like any Aston Martin, the available colours and interior combination options can go into the thousands, and so choosing the right shade for such an already unique and carbon fibre-cladded car is difficult. To aid in the decision, the example went for Q's Exposed Gloss Carbon Fibre Body, a 325,000 Euro optional extra, combined with a flash of vibrancy from some F1 Racing Green painted accents, totalling almost 100,000 Euros for the trouble. That sleek, stealthy exterior combined with Eifel Green Leather seat pads and carbon fibre quite literally as far as the eye can see, completes this outrageous hypercar perfectly. If you've found yourself itching to experience warp speed while also being able to pop to your local supermarket, look no further!

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