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The new BMW Z4 Coupé



BMW UK has revealed that the coupé version of its successful Z4 roadster will be available for August 2006 deliveries. The 343 HP Z4M will have a starting price of £41,240. The new Z4 Coupé is due to start production at BMW's manufacturing facility in Spartanburg, South Carolina, USA in April 2006

The new high-performance BMW Z4 M Coupé generates 343hp and 365Nm of torque from its 3.2-litre straight-six cylinder engine. Maximum power is generated at 7,900rpm while 80 per cent of the maximum torque is available from 2,000rpm. The power and flexibility of the 'M' engine contributes to a zero to 62mph time of 5.0 seconds and propels the car to an electronically limited top speed of 155mph. Power is transferred to the road via a six-speed short-shift manual transmission.

The suspension of the new Z4 M Coupé is largely the same as the recently announced BMW Z4 M Roadster, apart from the spring and damper settings that take account of the different weight distribution of the fixed head car. The chassis and suspension also share many common features from the BMW M3 Coupé, such as the M variable differential and compound brake system taken directly from the M3 CSL. Also in common with the forthcoming Roadster, the new Z4 M Coupé rides on unique, lightweight Z4 M alloy wheels shod with 225/45 ZR18 tyres on the front and 255/40 ZR18 tyres on the rear.

Owners can personalise their new BMW Z4 M Coupé with a choice of three exclusive M colours and five 'standard' colours. The Z4M is differentiated from its 3.0si brother by, from the front, a deep front air-dam with distinct x-shaped lines. From the rear, the car's wide rear wheel arches combined with horizontal diffusers and BMW M's trademark double-twin tailpipes leave no overtaken car in doubt as to the passer's genes.



The new BMW Z4 Coupé 3.0si develops 265hp at 6,600rpm and peak torque of 315Nm at 2,750rpm. This powers the car from zero to 62mph in 5.7 seconds and on to an electronically limited top speed of 155mph. The lightweight engine is mated to a six-speed, close ratio manual transmission as standard, although

customers preferring an automatic can opt for BMW's six-speed Sports automatic gearbox that, like the open-top Z4, allows the driver to select gears using paddles on the steering wheel and features blip-throttle down changes.

18-inch alloy wheels (on the Sport model, 17-inch alloy wheels on SE models) and a revised front and rear valance, the rear featuring 'only' two exhausts. The 3.0si model is available in 10 non-metallic and metallic paintwork finishes, eight interior colours and five trim options. Customers wishing to further personalise their cars can select from a further palette of exterior and interior colours and trims through the BMW Individual programme.

Model	Price	HP @ RPM	Torque @ RPM	0 - 62 mph	Max Speed
BMW Z4 M Coupé Touring	£41,240	343 @ 7900	365 @ 4900	5.0 secs	155 mph
BMW Z4 3.0si Coupé Sport	£32,900	265 @ 6600	315 @ 2750	5.7 secs	155 mph
BMW Z4 3.0si Coupé Sport	£31,375	265 @ 6600	315 @ 2750	5.7 secs	155 mph

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