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New Porsche Cayenne GTS

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A new version of the Porsche Cayenne, with 414bhp from the V8 engine plus lower, stiffer suspension, will be revealed at the Beijing Auto Show on 23 April.

Building on the Cayenne's reputation as "the most sporting SUV", this latest addition to the phenomenally successful model range will sit between the Cayenne S and the Cayenne Turbo. The updated 4.8-litre V8 engine, now with 420HP (414bhp), is based on the power unit from the Cayenne S, with eight-speed Tiptronic S transmission and integrated auto start/stop function.

Thanks to an engine and gearbox which have been tuned for responsiveness, the Cayenne GTS boasts a 0-62mph time of 5.7 seconds and reaches 100 mph in 13.3 seconds – with the needle flickering as high as 162mph when you keep your foot to the floor on a long enough stretch of road. Combined fuel consumption, meanwhile, is a claimed 26.4mpg.





Porsche Active Suspension Management (PASM) comes as standard, with the aim of giving a tauter feel to the chassis, while the body has been dropped a significant 24mm lower than the Cayenne S for superlative composure and agility.

Notable cosmetic features include front-end styling inspired by the Cayenne Turbo, along with high-gloss, black finish window surrounds and trims, prominent side skirts and wider wheelarches – plus a distinctive roof spoiler with twin-wing profile.

The Cayenne GTS goes on sale in the UK in July 2012, priced from £67,147.

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