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## [From beauty to the beast - Mercedes' new AMG GT Roadster revealed](#)

### Lead

In lopping the roof off the AMG GT and making a raft of styling tweaks inspired by the potent GT R Coupé, Mercedes-Benz has transformed what was an achingly pretty fastback Grand Tourer into a muscular and aggressive-looking roadster...

### Jekyll & Hyde



Ahead of its reveal at the Paris Motor Show later this month, Mercedes has revealed the convertible version of its AMG GT Coupé, which will be available in two guises: the 469bhp GT Roadster and the 547bhp GT C Roadster. The latter receives styling akin to the GT R Coupé that was unveiled earlier this year and, though 65kg heavier than the standard Roadster, is generously specified with features such as active rear steering and an extra 'Race' driving mode. Both models receive the oval grille inspired by the 300 SL Panamericana, an automatic fabric roof similar to that found on the previous SLS Roadster, and an active air management system that regulates the airflow to the engine in order to improve cooling.

Though the Roadster is undeniably a tempting proposition, we'd be hard pushed to opt for the drop-top after [staging our own 'Grand Tour' in the supremely capable \(and pretty\) coupé late last year](#). Furthermore, if, like us, you prefer the soft styling of the coupé to the more muscular demeanour of the convertible, now might be a good time to buy the fastback before it inherits the new look via an inevitable facelift.

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### Gallery









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