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This week

Heroes is a word which gets bandied about far too often these days, however the Brownlees are just that and so much more. Swimming, cycling and running faster than anyone else has lead to Olympic medals, titles and world records. That's not just being heroic, they are superfit too. So it is nice to see them taking a break from all that exercise behind the wheel of a SEAT.

Talking of SEATs, the seriously quick Leon ST is our kind of estate car, and that's why we drove one. Then Free Car Mag wondered why everyone loves the MINI. We were going to do an interpretive dance to explain, but thought words and astounding pictures are much, much better.

Back Seat Driver is being controversial as usual, then we consider which used performance hot hatches are worthwhile and look forward to the 50th year of Alpina BMWs. Yes it's a pretty heroic issue, but our heroes remain Halfords and Autoglym for giving away their great products.



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FAST AND FURIOUS 7 AT THE FLICKS

Free Car Mag has seen Fast & Furious 7 and loved it. The coming together of a Maserati Ghibli and a Plymouth Road Runner was just one stunt that left us awestruck. So the mere fact that Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson, Kurt Russell and now Jason Statham are all in it was reason enough to have a works outing and see cars reverse out of a cargo plane at 20,000 feet and watch a supercar that can fly.

Christina Hendricks

Over 200 VIP guests attended an exclusive preview of the all-new Jaguar XF and Range Rover SVAutobiography in Manhattan this month. The wonderful Christina Hendricks was there. She said that, "it's been an iconic morning. I just want to get in and sit in it.(the XF) looked rich, luxurious and sexy."



SPOTTED
OUT AND
ABOUT



Daniel Craig Doppelgänger

Well that's what we think and Lotus playing an April Fool recently would like us to believe it was 007 sneaking around their headquarters. He's certainly got great taste in cars because a Lotus Evora 400 is a wonderful sportscar. Indeed, take a look at the numberplate, PPW 306R was last fitted to a Lotus Esprit in 'The Spy Who Loved Me'. So maybe Lotus is making a big screen comeback, and perhaps that is Daniel after all.

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the
look

1 Lotus Evora 400
£70,000
lotuscars.com

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crew neck jumper, £32
topman.com

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topman.com

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£12.99
hm.com

5 Homme Leon suede
desert boots £50
asos.com



BROTHERS BEYOND

WORLD CHAMPION TRIATHLETES AND OLYMPIANS ALISTAIR AND JONNY BROWNLEE DON'T SEEM TO HAVE A PROBLEM GETTING AROUND. THEY CAN RUN, BIKE AND SWIM BETTER THAN ANYONE ELSE IN THE WORLD.

However, there are occasions when they need to go home and take their bikes, trunks and running shoes with them. It is times like these when a SEAT Leon X-PERIENCE comes in really handy.

So to launch its new four-wheel-drive model, and as part of a comprehensive project with the Telegraph Media Group, the sporty Spanish car brand has set a campaign in motion entitled the 'Brownlee Brothers X-PERIENCE – Tri Another Way'.

SEAT have created five films with the super-fit duo to highlight the outdoor adventure lifestyle and off-road capability of the Leon X-PERIENCE. 'Meet the Brownlees' and 'Train like the Brownlees' are now showing on a specially created online hub, <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/sponsored/motoring/seat-adventure>. A further three have been produced based on the usual

triathlon disciplines, and will see the brothers race each other in man versus machine (Leon X-PERIENCE) challenges, leading to a nail biting finale, all set in their beloved Yorkshire.

Speaking about their partnership with SEAT, Alistair commented, "We had brilliant fun filming the Challenges - we chose the ideal location in the Yorkshire Dales to make it tough for the car and for us. The car was really enjoyable to drive, but you'll need to watch the films to see who ended up winning." Jonny added, "It's been a great project to be involved with and hopefully people will enjoy the films and find them useful for their training as well."

Jonathan Brownlee, 24,

He is a World Champion, a two-time World Sprint champion and Olympic bronze medalist.

Alistair Brownlee, 26,

He is an Olympic gold medallist, back-to-back European and two-time World champion.

SEAT Leon X-PERIENCE

features all-road suspension, extra ground clearance and permanent four-wheel-drive, with a sizeable boot.

BROWNLEE STATS

- ▶ The first brothers to be together on the podium in an individual sport at the Olympic Games since 1908
- ▶ They have Honorary Doctorate of Laws, and MBEs.
- ▶ Their Autobiography *Swim, Bike, Run: Our Triathlon Story* is a number one bestseller.
- ▶ Of the 37 ITU World Triathlon Series races there has been a Brownlee on every start line, plus a Brownlee has won 26 of those races.

IF YOU THOUGHT THE BROWNLEES WERE QUICK...

AS THE INSPIRATIONAL BROWNLEE BROTHERS 'MAKE DO' WITH THEIR SEAT LEON X-PERIENCE THE REST OF US COULD AT LEAST LEVEL PART OF THE TRIATHLON COURSE ABOARD THE EQUALLY EXCITING LEON ST CUPRA 280.

The ST CUPRA is exciting because it is not just supercar quick, it is super value, whilst retaining the practicality of a more ordinary estate car.

Easily the hottest of the current crop of "hot estates", the Leon ST CUPRA 280's two-litre turbocharged engine can propel it from 0-62 mph in six seconds (6.1 for a manual), before going onto a limited top speed of 155 mph. So it is quick away from the traffic lights and if you happen to holiday where there are de-restricted autobahns, then you can get to a top speed that might make you feel rather exhilarated.

So whether the Leon ST Cupra is being used as a tradesman's trusty workhorse, or school run load-carrier, it's still an easy car to live with courtesy of the sizeable 587-litre boot (almost 6 large suitcases), which rises to 1,470 litres (almost 15 large suitcases) with the rear seats folded at the pull of a single lever.

That is all very boring and practical when in fact the reason you buy a fast car is to show off a bit. No actually, make that a lot. Everyone will know you have a CUPRA 280 because they will see the 19-inch CUPRA alloy wheels with a titanium finish, plus the bright red brakes behind those amazing wheels. Then at the back is a rear spoiler and down below that a 'diffuser' (lower spoiler) housing two oval end chrome exhaust tailpipes. It looks just as mean up front with big air intakes.

So the ST Cupra looks cool outside and has some brilliant gadgets inside. CUPRA Drive Profile, enables the driver to alter the car's suspension, steering and throttle set-up as the mood takes them. The driver grips a CUPRA leather steering wheel and sits, along with the front passenger on posh, grippy fabric Alcantara

sports seats, while automatic lights and wipers, SEAT Media System Plus and DAB radio, plus satellite navigation are all part of the standard package.

Not only that, there are all sorts of extra upgrades available to make the Cupra stand out even more with colour options, and stop quicker thanks to upgraded brakes and handle even more sportily with special racing tyres. So that's a long and very enjoyable conversation to have with your SEAT dealer when you place your order.

**SEAT Leon ST
(Sports Tourer)
CUPRA 280
£28,505**

and with the automatic
DSG gearbox it is
£29,860 on the road.



Performance Pack

The Sub8 Performance Pack costs an extra £2,025 and even more substantial brakes, specially designed 19-inch alloy wheels in either black or orange and body-coloured side skirts, which run below the doors. Semi-slick (racing type) Michelin Pilot Sport Cup 2 tyres, are available for £460.

wheels are picked out in black, orange or white, according to the chosen pack, with co-ordinating door mirrors and tailgate lettering. The front grille surround and door mirrors also come in the same shade, with the mean and moody look completed through painted brakes (red for black wheels and black for orange wheels).

It's all in the detail

Black-, Orange- and White-Line colour packs, at £500 will ensure the ST CUPRA 280 stands out for all the right reasons. Taking the standard car's looks to another level, it ensures the standard 19-inch CUPRA alloy

Packing it all in

Driver Assist Pack (which takes in High Beam Assist and Lane Assist) at £300, and Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) with Front Assist for £505. Keen to venture on track with the hottest compact estate? CUPRA bucket seats at £1,250 offer a snazzy logo and heating.



INTERIOR
Comfy, but
super sporty.



STYLING
It looks great
doesn't it?



New Car Feature

THE LOVERS' GUIDE TO

MINI

That's right we all adore this iconic car, but have you ever stopped to wonder why? The classic Mini has forty years of history behind it, but in rather less time MINI has driven its way into our hearts. Here's why.



MINI design a virtual MINI

The MINI Design Team has created the essence of a MINI to enable maximum racing performance in the game Gran Turismo®6 for PlayStation®3. The MINI Clubman Vision Grand Turismo literally screams onto the virtual race track in Gran Turismo 6 as unarguably the fastest and most extreme MINI ever. Shame it isn't real then. Well it can feel real enough as all you have to do is buy the latest Gran Turismo game so that you can drive the latest MINI Clubman Vision Grand Turismo.



MINI Cooper means fast fun

Always has meant fun and the Cooper name always will. Then recently it got a whole lot quicker. The JCW, John Cooper Works, has a more powerful Turbo engine. Not only that, there is a package of suspension, brake, aerodynamic and interior modifications to deliver race-car sensations without compromise. Even better it delivers a highly emotive rasp from the twin tailpipes of its sports exhaust. If you like figures it will go from 0-62mph in 6.3 seconds. Priced from £22,865.



MINI makes magnificent one offs

The good news is that MINI flights of fancy often turn into real ones that you can buy. One of the best and most recent is the MINI Superleggera™ Vision made in conjunction with Italian coachbuilders. Described as being British design with an Italian accent, it has loads of great touches like the Union Jack rear lights. Yes really. Inside there is an unpainted aluminium sheet that makes for a brilliantly simple and stylish dashboard, much like the classic Mini. Impossible to put a value on the Vision. Probably priceless.

MINI goes racing

This year MINI celebrated its fourth consecutive overall win in the Dakar Rally with four MINI ALL4 Racing cars among the five fastest cars. These are no ordinary MINIs as they cost over a million Euros each. They can travel at 130 mph across sand and rock and rough road for up to 500 miles on a single 95-gallon fill-up of diesel. The specially built MINI sits eight inches higher than the normal car and has three spare wheels and a fast wheel changing system that keeps the MINI mobile. The Dakar is the greatest and toughest rally in the world. In 2015 it went through Argentina, Bolivia and Chile. If you haven't got a million Euros then you could get a MINI John Cooper Works Countryman ALL4 which starts at just £28,985.



"Cylinder Head £1500" - Source: Warranty Direct data, 2012

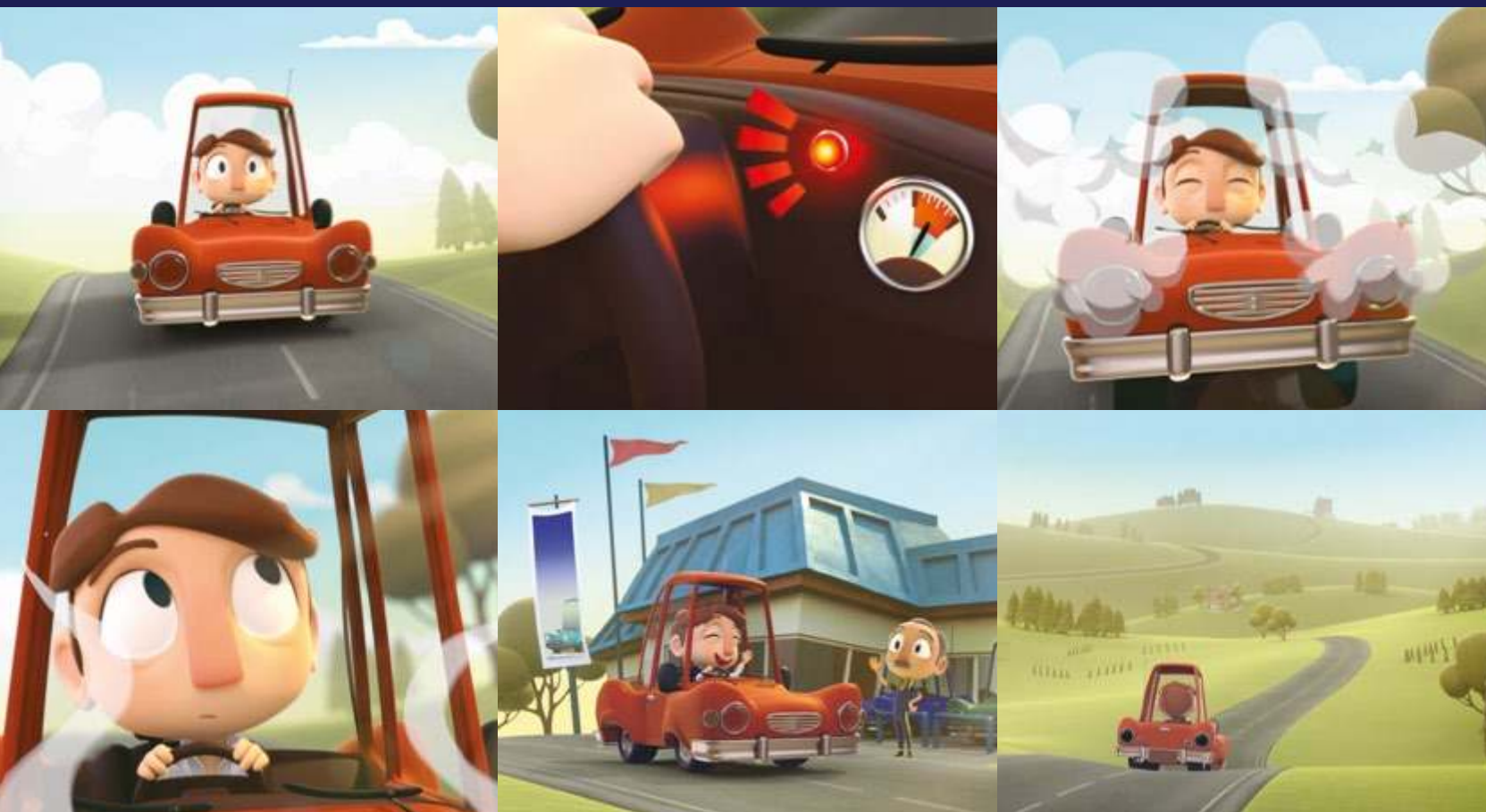
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Gatso the rubber neckers

Easing the UK's congestion will be easier without rubber neckers – FCM has a plan involving 2 Jags Prescott.

Here is something I bet you never thought you would see in a car magazine, let's bring back John Prescott as Minister for Transport.

We need 2 Jags Prezza back not because he likes cars, but because we need a man (or woman) who is prepared to be bold. Anyone who puts a bus lane on the M4, where no one lives, like Prezza did is certainly that.

Every year there are over 100,000 road collisions. At the moment of impact it is understandable that the driver in the opposite carriageway slows for fear that the accident might spill into the oncoming traffic. Who knows, perhaps some drivers also have a strong but brief knee jerk reaction to help another human being in trouble. I say knee jerk because that's about as long as it lasts before most people continue on with their journey.

I saw a lorry smash into a little Mitsubishi on the M4 recently, and out of all the cars that must - or should - have seen it too, I was the only one to stop. And I hate helping people, so what it says for the rest of the M4 commuters I have no idea.

Yet, give any decent-size prang 15 minutes,

which is to stay long enough for most danger to have passed and there will be two long queues of cars as people slow down to gawp.

And this is what Prezza needs to stop, with a simple little plan: When the traffic cone operators turn up in their Land Rovers, rather than just putting cones out, they also put up a big sign:

"There is nothing to see here. Minimum speed 30mph. Then they put up a fatso camera that is set to take your car's picture if it passes at less than the speed set. And then, in another worldwide exclusive of things car magazine just don't write, we can fine anyone for going too slowly, which I assure you will stop a lot of traffic jams.

"I saw a lorry smash into a little Mitsubishi on the M4 recently, and out of all the cars that must - or should - have seen it too, I was the only one to stop.



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QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"Vehicle stopped #M23 quantity of drugs & cash found. 3 arrested. Ended with an excitable wee...(by the dog!!!)

TWEET BY SURREY
ROADS POLICE

"The footage released demonstrates the audacity of this crime and how it was clearly meticulously planned."

DETECTIVE SERGEANT
ADAM TATTON HOODED
THIEVES WERE CAUGHT ON
CAMERA SMASHING THEIR
WAY INTO A CLASSIC CAR
SHOWROOM AND TOWING
AWAY A RARE FORD ESCORT
MEXICO.



'Unacceptable'

JUDGE ON SENTENCING A DRIVER
TO 14 MONTHS IN PRISON, WHO
SUBJECTED A MAN TO A TERRIFYING
RIDE ALONG MORE THAN A MILE
OF THE A331 SPREAD EAGLED ON
THE BONNET AND SCREAMING FOR
HIS LIFE.

ALFA ROMEO MITO VS CITROEN DS

The choice is not so simple, either a stylish Italian or a chic Frenchie.

Like me, you probably want the car you drive to be stylish. What you probably don't want is a BMW MINI like everyone else, except that we have already told you why everyone loves a MINI So pay attention.

So what about a Citroen DS3; they turn heads? Or how about an Alfa Romeo Mito which does the same?

The Citroen is OK, build quality can be patchy but it is mainly refined and pleasant inside. As long as you avoid the automatics - they jerk about in traffic queues unable to settle on a gear. You also need to go with the hard top as the canvas roof version maintains such a large amount of the hard top and roll cage that you get no air flow with the hood open - so you just fry in direct sunlight. Then it's your sun burn that turns heads, not your car's brightly coloured bodywork.

But a five year old DS3 is around £7,100 with 37,000 miles on the clock, that's less than half the new price - which makes it worth thinking about.

For even less money (£250 less to be precise) than the Citroen you can have a 5 year old Mito from Alfa Romeo.

When people talk about owning an Alfa Romeo they mean old GTVs; as pretty as a Ferrari but as cheap as an MG. The Mito feels and drives like a Fiat - all plastic and rattles.

The more I think about it, I'd rather have a MINI.



Next week:
Audi A8 vs
Ford Mondeo



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50 YEARS OF ALPINA

Limited Edition 204 mph Celebratory Supercars

Bespoke car manufacturer ALPINA which makes BMWs even more exciting will create 50 super saloons, super estates and 50 similar super coupes to celebrate the company's half century this year.

Based on the B5 Bi-Turbo and the B6 Bi-Turbo respectively, each Edition 50 vehicle will include hand-crafted Edition 50 body and trim features and a remarkable, heavily revised V8 that will propel the luxury five seater to 62 mph in 4.2 seconds and on to a top speed of 204 mph.

Inside, the Edition 50 can be specified with unique, hand-crafted sports seats in black leather with luxurious Forest Green quilting on and backrest centre sections, complemented by yellow and black stitching. Trim panels are in ALPINA piano black with EDITION 50 and the signature of company founder Burkard Bovensiepen displayed in

front of the passenger. A special '1965 - 2015' logo appears on metal emblems on the seat backs, in the carpets and on the key ring. Each car's limited edition number will be displayed on a production plaque on the centre console and also on the reverse of the keyring.

Each car will be available in ALPINA Green or ALPINA Blue, or in a bespoke Edition 50 Sepia created by BMW Individual. ALPINAs iconic decal sets can be specified along the sides and on the front spoiler, in coordinating green or blue with Edition 50 lettering. Very small numbers will be available in the UK, with prices from £86,850. Like all new ALPINAs, it will be supplied with a two-year BMW-endorsed warranty.

ALL ABOUT ALPINA

In its 50th year, ALPINA is one of the world's leading manufacturers of high-performance luxury automobiles, selling on every continent yet still in numbers small enough to allow each car to be bespoke.

ALPINA Burkard Bovensiepen KG was established on the 1st of January 1965 in Kaufbeuren and dedicated to superb engineering. BMW provided factory support for road car development and collaboration in motorsport that included commissioning ALPINA to develop the light weight race car that became the now-legendary BMW 3.0 CSL.

"In its 50th year, ALPINA is one of the world's leading manufacturers of high-performance luxury automobiles"





POCKET PERFORMANCE CARS

FROM MOTORS.CO.UK

We have a lot to thank the MINI for. Not just being a MINI but that fact that it encouraged all the other manufacturers to pull their socks up and copy them.

So all of a sudden we had a choice of rather stylish smaller cars.

Prestige and performance had been downsized and that meant instead of being stuck with something bigger and uglier. In a way the hot hatch was back again after being insured out of existence in the 1990s.

So in the later 2000s small, interesting cars came back into fashion and they could also be astoundingly quick and fun too. Certainly not as cool as the MINI but there was probably a bigger boot and plenty of room in the back for someone else.

So let's take a look at what you can pick up right now instead of a MINI. I mean, we love the MINI, but we also love these too

ITALIAN COOPER



Fiat 500 Abarth '12 £10,488

The closest rival to the Cooper has to be the Abarth which certainly matches it for style and the performance isn't far off. The Abarth really looks the part. The level of equipment is comprehensive and includes Bluetooth connection, and used they are great value.

One we found a 500 1.4 T-Jet at Arnold Clark Fiat £10,488. Always good to buy from a main dealer and this two and half year old had only covered 12,899 miles. Showing two previous owners, the fastest little Fiat was in immaculate condition.

MADE IN ESSEX



Ford Focus ST '08 £8600

There is a fire breathing RS, but the ST is rapid enough for most buyers. The engine sounds great and it handles like a sports car. Well built and responsive, the ST-2 has a good level of equipment which includes heated screen and bright Xenon headlamps.

One we found a Ford Focus ST-2 at Trust Ford 0203553 9668. A wonderfully bright, red, one owner example with just 55,000 miles under its wheels and backed up by a full service history. Lots of interesting toys and essentials like body hugging sports seats.

CHECK OUT
THESE CARS AT
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A JAPANESE TWIST



Honda Civic Type R GT '09 £9500

If you want a worry free sports hatch then this is the one. Hondas don't break down plus it is so refined. Easy to live with, there is a big boot and it behaves just like a normal shopping Civic, until you want to play.

One we found a Honda Civic 2.0 i-VTEC Type R GT at Invicta Honda Maidstone 01622 528769. A very nice one owner example with 43,688 miles. It's red, which must have been very popular in 2008 and being a franchise sold car has a proper approved warranty.

SPANISH SPORTY PRACTICALITY



SEAT Leon '10 £11,990

In a way this is a Golf GTI with a different body. That's one reason for buying right there as it will be cheaper. However, the fact that there are four doors as standard is very appealing. Sharp handling, quick, and the option of petrol or diesel.

One we found a SEAT LEON 2.0TSI Cupra Templar Cars 01246 641435. A two owner car finished in bang on trend white with upgraded alloys on almost brand new tyres and a recent full service history, this looked like excellent value.

FRENCH REVOLUTION



RenaultSport Clio 2.0 '10 £7287

Strangely this isn't the first hot hatchback that many consider, but it should be near the top of their list on ability alone. This is a quick car in a straight line and around corners. There is easily room for four burly adults.

One we found a Clio 2.0 16V RenaultSport 200 Evans Halshaw Motorhouse 01909 521074. Some might think that 84,500 miles is quite high, but with a full service that is much less of a worry. Black alloys is what everyone wants and the six-speed gearbox is sporty fun and the Sat Nav means you won't get lost.

Buy Now



4 X 4 ESTATE (CROSSOVER)

SUBARU OUTBACK

Subaru pretty much invented the crossover marketplace, (part serious 4 x 4 and part practical estate) car twenty years ago. Now it has been revamped making the Outback better off road, to look at and more comfy with extra equipment. The SE models are equipped as standard with automatic LED headlamps and headlamp washers, cruise control, Active Torque Vectoring (go around corners more safely), 17-inch alloy wheels, heated front seats, electrically-adjustable driver's seat and privacy glass, as well as a 7.0-inch touchscreen infotainment system, incorporating satellite navigation, audio, smartphone connectivity and a rear view parking camera.





*but delivery September 2015

EXECUTIVE EXPRESS

SKODA SUPERB

We like the new Skoda Superb. That's why we mention it now, even though you won't get behind the wheel until September. However, you can go and chat to your dealer to get the specification and colour sorted out now. There is certainly a ton of options to choose from including seven engines. Not only is the equivalent model cheaper than before. It has also been designed and engineered to make the new Superb safer and more comfortable.

The new features include a clever Virtual pedal system that opens the boot, with just the wave of a foot under the rear bumper and full integration of Apple and Android smartphones via CarPlay, MirrorLink and Google Android Auto. Safety and convenience features include Blind spot detection, Rear traffic alert, third-generation Park assist and Traffic jam assist.

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VAN

VAUXHALL CORSAVAN

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Not only is it easy to drive it is even easier to buy with four years' zero per cent APR representative finance, four years' free servicing, four years' roadside assistance and four years' warranty. Service intervals are one year/20,000 miles.

ON SALE:
NOW

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£10,995



GARMIN NUVI

The Garmin Nuvi 2597 LM Sat Nav is your best friend when you drive around Europe and is available at a considerable saving from Halfords.

If you're planning on spending any of your spare or business time on a trip round Europe, then make sure you don't leave home without the Garmin Nuvi 2597 LM FE sat nav. This GPS comes with free lifetime maps so you can be assured you're always driving on the correct roads, no matter where in Europe you may be. A Bluetooth connection means you can make hands-free calls discussing the weather back home, and the Live service makes sure you won't be stuck in that tailback.

Originally £159, now £109.99 from Halfords.

SHARAPOVA TAG HEUR AQUARACER

As worn by Maria Sharapova TAG Heuer have upgraded this particular collection by completely remodelling it. New finishings make these watches even more refined and luxurious. Simultaneously, TAG Heuer is focusing on the Aquaracer's sporting credentials with features such as the unidirectional turning bezel and water resistance to 300 meters. With a dazzlingly comprehensive selection of dials, cases and straps, and 27mm or 32mm case sizes. The range is sporty and very stylish, although you will probably struggle to look better than Maria.
From £940. Buy at tagheuer.com



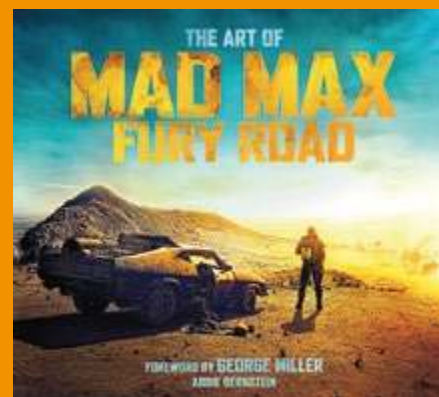
AA TYRES MOBILE TYRE SERVICE

As the name suggests AA is launching its first mobile tyre fitting service. The service is launched at a time when research suggests that tyres are taken for granted by many; are relatively rarely checked while two-thirds say they rely on garages to tell them when their tyres need replacing. The service is available in large parts of England but not yet Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland but is planned to be expanded. AA Members can still get discounts. .
tyres.theaa.com.



MATRIX LIGHT 2 £260

At last your baby can lie flat on the back seat. The Matrix Light 2 from Jané is a Group 0/0+ infant carrier that offers the option of having your baby sitting or lying flat whilst travelling in a car or whilst in pram mode. The Matrix Light 2 can be used from birth right through until baby is around 18 months old, keeping them travelling in the recommended lie flat or rear facing position for longer. Secured by using either the vehicle's 3 point seat belt or the Matrix Isofix platform. A safe, snug and comfy baby in your car for £260.
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THE ART OF MAD MAX £19.98

Max Rockatansky returns. Haunted by his turbulent past, the wandering Road Warrior becomes swept up with a group fleeing across the Wasteland in a War Rig driven by an elite Imperator, Furiosa. Seeking escape from the tyranny of Immortan Joe, what follows is a high-octane Road War - and a chance for redemption. All we know is that The Art Of Mad Max: Fury Road is the official companion to the highly anticipated movie.
forbiddenplanet.com

LIVY TESTS

Wheel cleaners

There is nothing worse than mucky, brake dust caked alloy wheels. So our resident teen driver tests 3 cleaners

BEFORE



MORRISONS WHEEL CLEANER 500ML £2

CLEANING



This is the cheap and cheerful one from the supermarket. Once applied it is meant to go all soapy and frothy, but it stays flat and runny. Never

AFTER



RATING



mind all that, at least it actually cleans the wheels. Squeeze on, scrub up and wash off. It left a surprisingly bright finish.

BEFORE



WONDER WHEELS 500ML £3*

*from Morrisons

CLEANING



This is a top brand that really ought to cost a lot more. We had seen it for £7.99, but further along the shelves at the supermarket it was on special

AFTER



RATING



offer. The smell was a bit odd and at least it went satisfying frothy once water was added. The label said it would go red, but was dark purple..

BEFORE



HALFORDS WHEELS CLEANER 500ML £4.99

CLEANING



Here's a brand you can rely on, Halfords and that proved to be the case. Fresh out of the nozzle it was light pink and then there was a light soapy

AFTER



RATING



residue once the water was added. Washed off easily and seemed to leave a brighter finish than the others meaning a deeper clean.

Livy's Verdict: If you just want to clean your wheels then the Morrisons cleaner is fine. If you love your alloy wheels then the Halfords bottle is the clear winner.

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LAST
CHANCE
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WIN AUTOGLYM SUPER CAR SHAMPOO

Premium car care company Autoglym has unveiled a brand new car shampoo that promises more bubbles for the user.

Autoglym, which have been helping car enthusiasts and professionals achieve a flawless finish and high gloss shine on their cars for 50 years, launched the new Bodywork Shampoo this month.

The shampoo, which will be on shelves in a number of large retailers including Halfords, comes in a 500ml bottle costing £5.99 for 17 washes, and a 1L bottle costing £7.99 for 35 washes. We are giving five away for free simply enter online at freecarmag.co.uk/winstuff

The new shampoo has a rich foaming formulation which quickly breaks down and removes everyday contaminants from vehicle paintwork; it is easy to use and is a safe pH neutral formulation. The product doesn't affect existing wax or polish layers on the paintwork, and has a rich fruity fragrance.

The shampoo is also easy to rinse off without leaving any residue and is being targeted at motorists who have a desire to take pride in their cars but don't have much time to spare.

Visit autoglym.com to see the new Bodywork Shampoo and a full range of Autoglym products.



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Thunderbirds are Go! We drive what we think is probably the best family car in Britain, there's some Fast Fords, rep specials (we will explain) and we speculate on what Parker might drive...

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