Faced with the recent pub quiz question 'what is the top speed of the world's fastest production car?' the Sky Motoring quiz crew were quite appalled when (a) they had to ponder the question for a good three minutes and (b) couldn't rank the other fastest cars in an appropriate order.

So taking this simple premise, we've decided to geek up and show you (in order) the world's fastest production cars so that (a) should this quiz question ever arise again, you are in no doubt as to the answer and (b) should you have Ronaldo's level of wedge in your pocket and fancy going 200+mph, you know exactly what to buy. Enjoy!

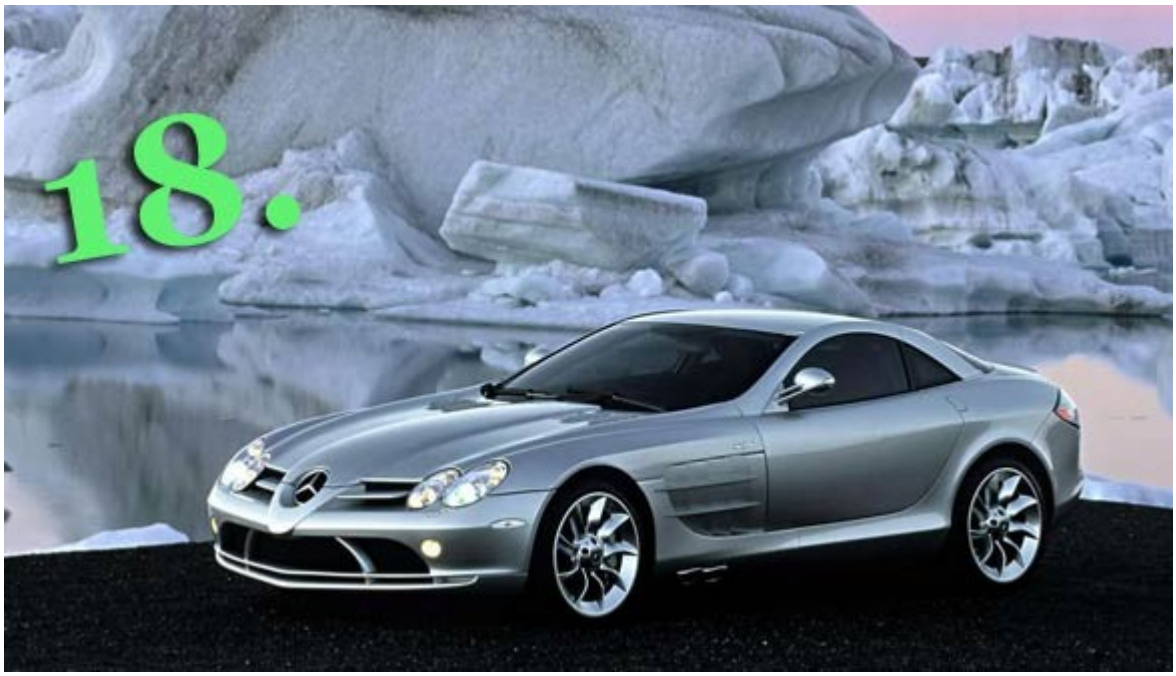
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The 204mph, 621bhp Bentley Continental Supersport is the fastest production Bentley ever.



The 205mph Porsche Carrera GT is Stuttgart engineering at its best



The Mercedes McLaren SLR can hit 207mph. And it's an automatic.



One Dodge Viper V10 + an eccentric British coach builder = the 525bhp, 210mph Bristol Fighter.



The first Italian supercar in our list is the 211mph Lamborghini Murcielago LP640.



The retro-shaped Ford GT uses a thoroughly modern supercharged 5.4-litre V8 to hit 212mph.



The new Lamborghini Murcielago SV is lighter, harder and at 213mph, faster than the standard Murci.



Lamborghini's Italian neighbour Pagani has developed the stunning 215mph Zonda F.



It may not quite have been the car we were hoping for, but the Jaguar XJ220 could still hit 217mph.



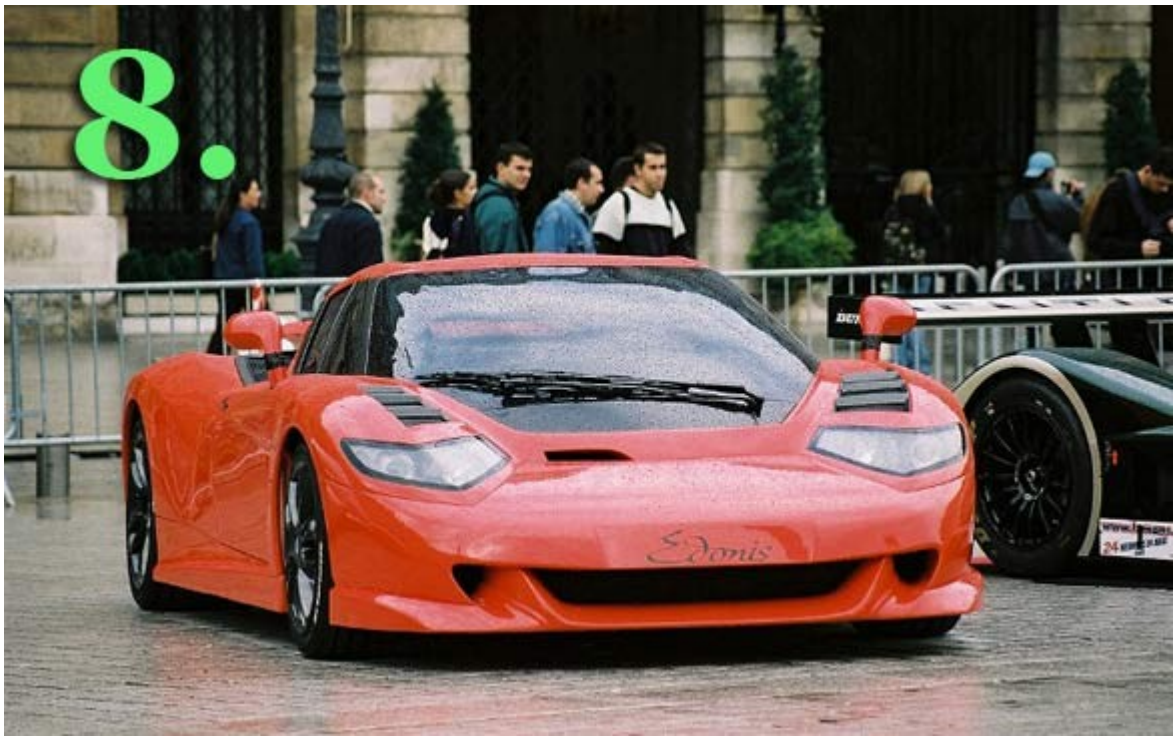
That's the same top-speed as the much more recent Ferrari Enzo, named after Ferrari's founder.



The British-built Ascari A10 uses a tuned BMW V10 to hit 220mph.



The Gumpert Apollo may be a bit of an ugger and have a stupid name, but how many cars can go 224mph? ...



The B-engineering Edonis develops 680bhp from its quad turbo 3.7litre V6 to hit 227mph. Gulp.



Obviously the standard Apollo wasn't fast (or ugly) enough, hence the 230mph Gumpert Apollo Speed.



The McLaren F1 was doing 240mph 17-years ago! Just shows how much of an engineering marvel it was.



You can tell the Koenigsegg CCX has a blistering top speed of 245mph just by looking at it. Scary.



The American-built Saleen S7 can hit 248mph. OK, this is getting ridiculous now...



The Porsche 9ff GT9 is one of three cars able to break the 250mph barrier.



And you thought the 253mph Bugatti Veyron would be top of the list. Not any more.



The top spot now goes to Shelby Supercars and the 257mph SSC Ultimate Aero