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Bentley Mulliner releases first bespoke Bacalar, Blower cars

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The Bacalar Car One and the Blower Car One are en route to their owners. Image courtesy of Bentley Motors

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British automaker Bentley Motors' Mulliner has completed the first customer cars in both of its new series of bespoke projects.



Each car is the first of its respective 12 vehicle series, with Bacalar Car One being the first customer delivery of Mulliner's new coach-built barchetta and Blower Car One being a recreation of Sir Henry "Tim" Birkin's Bentley 4.5-liter. Each vehicle has completed significant performance testing, and as with every car in the two series, each bespoke vehicle has had every detail specified by their imminent owners.

"Seeing these first two cars now finished has given the whole team an enormous sense of pride," said Paul Williams, director of Mulliner and Motorsport at Bentley, in a statement. "Years of work have gone into the design and development of these projects, and seeing them together is incredibly rewarding.

"These cars are totally unique, absolutely bespoke, and yet have been built to the same quality standards as any other Bentley," he said. "Mulliner is truly the only place in the world that could deliver a 21st century, coach-built grand touring barchetta at the same time as recreating an iconic road-going 1929 race car."

Bespoke Bentley

Due to the highly personal and customized nature of the commissions, Bentley is not permitted to reveal the identity nor locations of the buyers of Blower Car One and Bacalar Car One. The automaker shares that the owners share a deep love of driving and appreciation of Bentley quality.

Blower Car One, the first Blower Continuation Series car, is finished in bespoke Birkin green paint, a recreation of the color of the original Blower that the vehicle is based on, which is still owned by Bentley and run weekly. The car is mechanically identical to the original Blower designed by Mr. Birkin, with the exception of two new safety updates including modern electric fuel pumps and a foam baffle for the fuel tank.



The interior of the Bacalar Car One. Image courtesy of Bentley Motors

Bacalar Car One is finished in a bespoke champagne-tinted silver color and sits on 22-inch Bacalar tri-finish wheels with polished faces, dark grey satin spokes, and moss green accent highlights. The interior of Bacalar Car One has the same black and green motif.

Last month, Bentley Motors' Mulliner celebrated its latest milestone with its 1,000th bespoke commission.

The marque's bespoke division was established in 2014 after identifying a growth opportunity with personalized and customized vehicles. During the last seven years, Mulliner customizations and commissions have included unique veneers, custom stitching, limited editions and distinctive, coach-built limousines (see story).

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