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WORLDWIDE PARIS PREMIERE FOR THE GRANTURISMO MC STRADALE

The new **Maserati GranTurismo MC Stradale** will be the fastest, lightest and most powerful car in the Maserati range when it goes on sale in the first quarter of 2011. Inspired by the Trofeo GranTurismo MC and the race-winning GT4 motorsport models, it will have more power, less weight, razor-sharp handling and a top speed of over 300km/h.

The **Maserati GranTurismo MC Stradale** responds to demands for a GranTurismo which can balance on-road driving needs with race-driving desires and it incorporates the handling and aerodynamic lessons from Maserati's three racing programs.

With 330kW (450 horsepower), the **Maserati GranTurismo MC Stradale** generates more power (7 kW, 10hp) from the 4.7-litre V8 engine than the GranTurismo S, while its 510Nm of torque is a further 20Nm improvement. Its race-bred heritage is highlighted by a 110kg weight reduction from the GranTurismo S, down to 1770kg. It mirrors Maserati's racing advantages by retaining an optimal 48 : 52 weight distribution, ensuring balanced handling and even tyre wear.

The **Maserati GranTurismo MC Stradale**, the first Maserati in history to have a dedicated Race mode, uses advanced electronics to cut gear-shift times from the upgraded MC Race Shift electro-actuated transaxle gearbox to just 60 milliseconds. This all helps to slash the 0-100km/h sprint time to just 4.6 seconds.

With the removal of the rear seats, the **Maserati GranTurismo MC Stradale** becomes the first two-seat Maserati since the MC12. The GranTurismo MC Stradale has also benefited from new Brembo carbon-ceramic brakes, custom-developed Pirelli tyres, a unique suspension layout and rigid, light-weight, carbon-fibre race seats.

The **GranTurismo MC Stradale** also provides the latest step in the well-trodden path between Maserati's racing programs and its production road cars and, often, back again.

With a unique body design that is based around the requirements of the track, the **Maserati GranTurismo MC Stradale** has borrowed heavily from its racing car stablemates, the



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Maserati GranTurismo MC, both in the Trofeo and GT4 configurations. It has a new front splitter, bumper, bonnet, front guard panels, sills, exhausts and even a new rear bumper.

Yet it was also designed to be easy to drive, so it retains all the inherent ride, handling and stability benefits of the GranTurismo S's long wheelbase.

In this configuration, the **Maserati GranTurismo MC Stradale** will be on sale in February 2011 in all major markets, with the exceptions of the USA, Canada and Korea.