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Continental GT cafe racer now on sale for just £5,200

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HERE'S the Continental GT, a five grand café racer that's open for orders on a 63-plate.

With 535cc and 29.1hp it's within reach of those passing the new A2 licence. While 29.1hp doesn't seem much, the company says it has taken the engine "to the gym" and remapped the ECU, increased the bore and reduced the inertia to make it more responsive. While it might not get you a ton up, it'll certainly get you to 85mph or maybe 90mph. Buyers are likely to tweak and modify their Continental GT to try and get 100mph - just as they did back in the sixties. And at the bike's launch at Brooklands Museum yesterday, Royal Enfield was clear about where the Continental G should be ridden - on British B Roads of course.

It will be built in India and then shipped over to the UK. Despite its Indian manufacturing, the Continental GT has had a strong British involvement and the frame's designed by the famous Steve Harris of *Harris Performance*. Other tasty additions include these gold rear gas shock absorbers which look great next to the yellow springs and the modern *Pirelli Demon* tyres which come fitted as standard.



The dials are particularly nice too as are the modern built bar-end mirrors.







There'll also be Continental GT branded clothing and all other sorts of Royal Enfield emblazoned kit which we can buy to get the [cafe racing](#) look. There's even an official open faced GT helmet below made by **AGV**.



It's clear that Royal Enfield is on a push to bring younger blood to its bikes and even those older bikers who lusted after the original Continental GT back in the 60s as an 18-year-old but couldn't persuade their [parents](#) to sign the finance for one...

If Royal Enfield continues to make lifestyle videos like the one you see below, then they might just be on to something.



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