



**Press release**

## **UK DEBUT FOR SPYKER C8 AILERON AT BRITISH INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SHOW**

**Zeewolde, the Netherlands, July 18, 2008 –Spyker Cars N.V. - represented by Broughtons of Cheltenham - is in attendance at the British International Motor Show from 23 July to 3 August at ExCel in London. The presence of Spyker marks the UK debut of the all aluminium LWB model Spyker C8 Aileron. Furthermore, three other models of its exclusive car range will be displayed: Spyker C12 Zagato (concept car), Spyker C8 Spyder and Spyker C8 Laviolette.**

### **Spyker C8 Aileron**

Unveiled at the Geneva Motor Show on March 6, Spyker is proud to introduce its second generation C-line sports car, Spyker C8 Aileron. The Long Wheel Base model can be specified with both manual or automatic transmission. The all aluminium C8 Aileron continues Spyker's signature architecture (applied since its inception in 2000 with the C8 Spyder) of a mid-engined configuration in an aluminium space frame, clad in aluminium body panels.

The Aileron's space frame is an advanced design from its original, as seen on the first generation of the Spyker models: its torsional rigidity was improved by an additional 40% without adding any weight. Its dimensions have been modified, increasing the wheelbase by 100 mm / 4.5 inches for improved road handling, more cockpit space and to suit the automatic gearbox. Furthermore, its front track was widened and as a result the car is virtually 'square'.

The Aileron will continue to use a 4.2 litre V8 producing 400 BHP. This engine is mated to a 6- speed Getrag manual or a 6 speed automatic ZF gearbox. Every Aileron will be equipped with a Kharm sound system, incorporating a GPS system, Bluetooth, CD player and I-pod connectivity. The Spyker C8 Aileron is scheduled to go into production at the end of 2008.

### **Spyker C12 Zagato (concept car)**

The Spyker C12 Zagato was unveiled as a concept car and design study at the 77<sup>th</sup> Geneva Motor Show in March 2007. It incorporates a number of F1 inspired design elements including the nose, raised air scoop, rear exhaust chimneys, mirrors, rain light, fuel flap and diffuser. To ensure light weight and precise handling, the chassis and body of the Spyker C12 Zagato is constructed completely from aluminium.

The Spyker C12 Zagato represents an incorporation of both Spyker and Zagato characteristics. This includes the passion for aviation, racing and heritage, which is expressed in the design features, such as the chop-tail and the distinctive panoramic roof with *Double Bubble*.



### **Spyker C8 Spyder & Laviolette**

The Spyker C8 is an advanced mid-engine, two-seat sports car, available in both coupe (Laviolette) and convertible (Spyder). It is characterized by distinctive design, lightweight all aluminium body construction and an uncompromising engineering package.

Both the Laviolette and Spyder have an all aluminium Audi V8 engine producing 400 bhp and generating 480 Nm of torque. This is paired to a manual six-speed gearbox, driving the rear wheels with a limited slip differential and ABS. The extremely low kerb weight of only 2,800lbs along with the impressive performance delivers a top speed of 187 mph and an acceleration from 0-60 mph in a mere 4.5 seconds.

Optional features include a turned aluminium dashboard fascia, elegant 19" Aeroblade™ wheels, quilted leather detailing for the cockpit and Chronoswiss dashboard instruments. Additionally, complete bespoke and unique finishes are available for the experienced connoisseur. Customers may also order a Louis Vuitton luggage set exclusively made for Spyker – the only car company in the world to have such an arrangement with the famous French design house.

All cars are available in both left and right hand drive and are hand-crafted using only the finest bespoke materials to create the unique automotive statements. Each car is a testament to the five brand values that the company lives by - heritage, design, craftsmanship, performance and exclusivity.

### **Ultimate Collection**

The Spyker C8 Laviolette will be exhibited in the Ultimate Collection. Available as an exclusive invitee option for up to 250 VIP guests, the Ultimate Collection is set to be the luxury event of 2008. Over twenty of the world's most powerful and exotic supercars will be showcased in a private members atmosphere at the Platinum Suite, situated on the third floor of ExCeL London. Guests can enjoy complimentary drinks and canapés in comfort whilst they view these spectacular and rare cars that will be open to guests – at the discretion of each brand – to maximise the VIP experience.

### **Spyker in the United Kingdom**

Founded in 1946 in Cheltenham, Broughtons of Cheltenham are extremely proud to be the exclusive distributor in the United Kingdom of the Dutch built supercar Spyker. The dealership in Berkshire, Spyker of Pangbourne, is very successful. As a consequence, a dedicated showroom in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, will open its doors on Thursday, August 7.

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