

2023 FERRARI 812 COMPETIZIONE APERTA

This Ferrari 812 Competizione A represents the complete essence of today's exclusive-edition supercars, with power, speed and panache in equal measure.

It's a limited-production, track-focused version of the 812 Superfast, and the Competizione A version was released in 2021. The A stands for Aperta, meaning 'open' in Italian, celebrating Ferrari's glorious tradition of open-top cars.

Under its sculpted bonnet sits an uprated 6.5-litre V12 producing 819bhp. It can sprint from 0-62mph in just 2.85 seconds, reach 124mph in 7.5 seconds, and ultimately top 211mph. Extensive aerodynamic development and independent four-wheel steering reinforce its extra-tenacious character, while its broad, squat stance gives it the purposeful look of a car built to hold the road at serious speed.

Look closer at the bonnet and you'll spot a distinctive transverse groove with a carbon-fibre blade. It disguises the air vents while allowing their surface area to be increased – a neat example of Ferrari's ability to turn function into design.

This particular 812 belongs to a passionate Ferrari collector and Club member. Following his Best in Show win at last year's Midsummer Drive-In at Woodcote Park, he was offered a place in the rotunda, and we are delighted he accepted.

The winning car was actually... his Ferrari SP3.

However, at 2,060mm wide, it simply would not fit through the 2,070mm pinch point between the pillars at the top of the stairs – even with the immense expertise of our installation team! So, instead, we welcome his 1,971mm-wide 812 Competizione A.

We love to host our members' exceptional cars to share with others, but it's not often that the Pall Mall architecture proves so obstructive. Meanwhile, enjoy this rare chance to savour a Competizione up-close.

Brief Technical Specification

Engine: V12-cylinder, 6496cc

Top speed: 211mph

Maximum power: 819bhp

On display Tuesday 18 August to Monday 31 August.