

Maserati MC12 Corsa

The Maserati MC12 Corsa is a derivative of the MC12, designed as a race car although driven by private owners. It was developed directly from the MC12 GT1, which won the 2005 FIA GT Manufacturers Cup. The MC12 Corsa was developed in mid-2006 "in response to the customer demand to own the MC12 racing car and fuelled by the growth in track days, where owners can drive their cars at high speeds in the safety of a race track", as stated by Edward Butler, General Manager for Maserati in Australia and New Zealand. Maserati is responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the cars, and they are only driven on specially organised "track days" because they are not homologated for street use or any other competitions.

The MC12 Corsa cost €1 million (US\$1.47 million) and only twelve were sold to selected customers to participate in the "day races" organised by Maserati. Another three cars were produced for testing and publicity. The engine is the same as the MC12 GT1 producing 555 kilowatts (755 PS/744 bhp) at 8000 rpm, 90 kilowatts (122 PS/121 bhp) more than the MC12. It has the shortened nose that allowed the MC12 GT1 to compete in the American Le Mans Series. The MC12 Corsa is available in the "Blue Victory" colour as standard, but is customisable upon request. While the brakes are steel/carbon racing brakes, the MC12 Corsa does not have ABS.

The MC12 Corsa has been compared to the Ferrari FXX because it is a race car closely related to another car, is not street legal, is only used on track days and is kept by the manufacturer. The Ferrari FXX is used for testing technologies and recording statistics whereas the MC12 Corsa is only for racing.