

**For immediate release**

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2000**

Unveiled at the 1998 Paris Motor Show, the Clio Renault Sport V6 24V was enthusiastically acclaimed by the media and motoring public alike. In light of this success, and following the positive findings of a pre-production feasibility study, Renault has given the green light for the production of a limited run of the model. The stunning car is expected to be available for sale before the end of the year 2000.

The Clio Renault Sport V6 24V was one of the most striking surprises of the 1998 Paris Motor Show and also one of the star attractions of the Renault stand. Described at the time by Renault Sport as a realistic project based on the race-specification Clio Renault Sport V6 Trophy, the road-going version immediately appealed to a broad base of motoring enthusiasts and connoisseurs.

On the initiative of Renault Sport, who were at the origin of the project, Renault swiftly reacted to the initial demand for the new model by ordering a preliminary development and production study from TWR (Tom Walkinshaw Racing). The report of the British-based specialist confirmed the feasibility of the project in accordance with the charter established by Renault in the domains of quality, safety and high level road performance.

On the basis of these findings, Renault took the decision to produce a limited run of this special 2-seater Clio GT.

Identical in all respects to the version unveiled at last year's Paris Motor Show, the Clio Renault Sport V6 24V will go on sale at a price of less than FRF 250,000 (38,112 Euros).

TWR's Swedish-based subsidiary Autonova has been appointed to produce the Clio Renault Sport V6 24V at its Udevalla plant which already assembles the Volvo C70 Coupe.

Production is scheduled to start at the beginning of the second half of 2000 and the first models are expected to be available for sale before the end of the same year.

Targeted as a fun-based sports model, the Clio Renault Sport V6 24V will be powered by a 3 litre, 24 valve, V6 engine tuned to develop 250 bhp.

The Clio Renault Sport V6 24V will offer a level of comfort and equipment more generally associated with upper range models. Like Clio 2, it will also feature the very latest developments in the domain of passenger protection.

As a road-going version of the model designed originally for circuit racing, the Clio Renault Sport V6 24V is expected to appeal to motorists looking for a unique, exclusive car combining sports performance and genuine driving pleasure.

As the countdown to production of this limited edition model gets under way, a hundred or so of the racing version have already been built at Renault's Dieppe plant and have been showing off their potential since the beginning of 1999 in the European-based one-make Renault Sport Clio Trophy.