

About Perana Performance Group

The idea of producing an Italian styled, South African designed and manufactured Super Car was incubated in late 2007. To give this idea mobility, the Perana Performance Group was created as the entity to bring what was a concept to where we are today with a show car that enjoyed its world premiere at the Geneva Motor Show on 03 March 2009.

The Perana factory has a successful manufacturing legacy in producing low volume, high performance sports cars for a global market.

The demise of the low volume manufacturers around the world coupled with the changes in EU legislation relating to low volume manufacturers created the opportunity for the Perana Performance Group to launch a car of true Super Car performance capabilities. The new car which is built at the Hi-Tech Automotive facility is very much a back to basics, no frills Super Car which demands driver input beyond that required by the established players in this segment of the market.

With the appointment of the European Dealer network and full production established, the creation of much needed jobs underscores our commitment to social upliftment. The Perana Z-One also offers South Africa the opportunity to showcase its engineering and production capabilities to the world at a price hitherto perceived to be unattainable. There is no car available in the world that boasts this combination of performance and equipment levels at less than EUR 50000, before taxes.

Perana Z-One

The Perana Z-One strives for purity. Purity in its elegantly yet aggressively designed lines, and purity in the way it handles on the road. As a thoroughbred 2-seater GT with a Design Zagato body, a renowned V8 engine, and the finest of South African engineering, the Perana Z-One promises to deliver raw emotions for the truly passionate GT enthusiast. Stripped to a bare minimum of most stability-control technologies which can be found in almost all cars today, the Perana Z-One tries to give the driver back that nostalgic feeling of driving without inhibitions, all of course in complete safety.

Perana Performance Group and Zagato believe in passion, however they do not take that to mean unreliability. While the Perana Z-One is and feels like an individually built, limited edition GT, it enjoys a reliability and quality that most of its counterparts don't. Its muscular V8 engine from GM has already been mounted on various legendary sports cars and has become a symbol of raw power with unequivocal trustworthiness. Thanks to its tubular chassis and composite body, the Perana Z-One is remarkably light, hence allowing it to reach 0 to 100 km/h in under 4 seconds, but also doing so in very acceptable consumption levels for a GT.

The whole car has been built around the concept of simplicity, offering the passionate driver an exhilarating driving experience which is very down-to-earth and gives a wholesome feeling. Its frontal engine mounted 20cm behind the anterior wheels makes sure the Perana Z-One is a very forgiving car, with an optimum 50:50 weight distribution allowing for the maximum stability. The 440 horsepower produced by the V8 engine compared to the Perana Z-One's 1195 kilograms gives it an absolutely ideal power to weight ratio of 2.71 Kg/Hp. All this to create a car that is stylish, lightweight, aerodynamic, and most importantly, pure passion.