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### Attention petrol heads: the M3 Touring by AC Schnitzer is here

It took well over 30 years for BMW to launch a Touring version of the classic M3 sports car for the first time. Even though a station wagon always symbolises a certain understatement and is normally more likely to be classified in the family car scene, the AC Schnitzer development crew found this apparent contradiction to be just the perfect challenge to optimise the M3 Touring, already well positioned in series production, even further in terms of improved sportiness.

Whether Touring or Saloon: the sixth model series G80/G81 is the most powerful M3 generation ever.

And that applies equally to the AC Schnitzer versions. There has never been more power and driving dynamics in a 3 series and certainly not in a station wagon. This extra power and sportiness can be felt in the M3 Touring by AC Schnitzer in every driving situation: on the race track as well as in everyday driving on public roads.

AC Schnitzer provides the expansion of the engine power with performance upgrades in two stages. In the first Step, power is increased from 375 kW/510 hp and 650 Nm to 434 kW/590 hp/750 Nm. For whom this is still not enough, there is the Step II upgrade which increases the power of the M3 to 449 kW/610 hp/750 Nm after the AC Schnitzer cure.

With the latter, the AC Schnitzer twin sports rear silencer with two carbon "Sport" tailpipes on each side is part of the scope of delivery. The exhaust system is also available as a useful addition to the Step I performance upgrade and as an individual conversion. The exhaust brings to the ear what makes every tuning fan's heart beat faster: a powerful, sporty sound with improved exhaust flow at the same time.

With the AC Schnitzer spring kit (lowering 15 - 20 mm on the front axle - the standard springs remain on the rear axle) or with the RS coilover suspension adjustable in compression (low speed and high speed) as well as in rebound - including lowering, every M3 driver will realise when cornering that the true feeling for driving dynamics comes from Aachen.

"Better fast than hard" is the philosophy behind the AC Schnitzer suspension tuning, and you can feel it in every situation. The handling of the AC Schnitzer RS coilover suspension is basically the same as that of the standard version: good-natured load change reactions and gentle understeer at the limits are important - yet with the AC Schnitzer RS coilover suspension, significantly higher cornering speeds are possible, with absolutely comfortable everyday handling.

The Dynamic Package by AC Schnitzer is rounded off by a matching range of wheels.

The AC3 wheels in Silver/Anthracite or Anthracite/Silver are available for the BMW M3 as lightweight forged rims in 10.0J x 20 inch. These rims realise what basically appears to be contradictory: less weight with the same large wheel diameters. This advantage of forged technology also influences the driving dynamics. The road holding of the M3 models is improved even more by the mixed tyres offered. On the front axle, the 20-inch AC3 lightweight forged rims are fitted with 285/30 R 20 tyres, and even 295/30 R 20 tyres are used for the rear rims.

In addition, AC1 rims in the same dimensions are also available as 20-inch light-alloy rims.

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Improving downforce is the core subject of every aerodynamic conversion. And since the tuning professionals at AC Schnitzer are first and foremost concerned with function and only secondly with looks, the aerodynamic conversion for the M3 Touring is just as functional as that for its older brother.

The basis of the aerodynamics package is the black front splitter on the front axle, which can be fitted without further painting and which increases the downforce of the M3 by up to 40 kg\*. This is complemented by front side wings, which were also developed specifically for the M3.

The new design package, consisting of a 4-piece deflector set for the front wings and two design elements for the bonnet of the M3, give the front end the finishing touch and a look all of its own.

At the rear of the vehicle, too, the signs are pointing to improved downforce. With the rear roof spoiler, which provides 20 kg\* increased downforce, and the carbon rear diffuser, the AC Schnitzer engineers have reached deep into the aerodynamic toolbox.

Side skirt and rear skirt protection film together with stickers complete the extensive range.

The interior design is also stylish and functional. "THE" control element, with which you have every driving situation firmly under control, is the AC Schnitzer sports steering wheel. The steering wheel rim of the steering wheel is made in a fine material mix of perforated nappa leather in black with black Alcantara. Both is joined into one unit by a light grey cross-stitch seam. With recessed grips on the right and left for the driver's thumbs and the light grey motorsport indicator with AC Schnitzer logo for centre marking, orientation of the current steering wheel position is assured.

The combination with the AC Schnitzer aluminium gearshift paddles, which are noticeably larger than their standard counterparts, is a further sensible optimisation.

Aluminium pedals and footrests, keyholders and the aluminium cover for the iDrive Controller are also available when it comes to adapting the interior of the vehicle to its performance and sporty elegance.

All parents who have swapped their sports car for a station wagon can now breathe a sigh of relief: the AC Schnitzer version of the BMW M3 Touring is very happy to be an everyday family car, but also as happy to be on the racetrack - at least occasionally.

\*all figures measured at 200 km/h

AC Schnitzer recommends:



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