

## Aston Martin to build 155 all-electric RapidEs

NEWSWATCH: British sports car maker Aston Martin has confirmed production of 155 of its first all-electric model, the RapidE, to kick off in 2019 with Williams Advanced Engineering as lead engineering partner.

Based upon the forthcoming Rapide AMR concept, the car will deliver four-door sports car looks and dynamics of the Rapide S powered by an all-electric powertrain replacing the six-litre V12 engine. More information will be revealed about the RapidE's all-electric powertrain in due course.



Aston Martin president and CEO, Dr Andy Palmer, says: "Having unveiled the RapidE concept back in October 2015 we reach another milestone with the confirmation that we are now putting the first all-electric Aston Martin into production.

"RapidE represents a sustainable future in which Aston Martin's values of seductive style and supreme performance don't merely co-exist alongside a new zero-emission powertrain, but are enhanced by it. The internal combustion engine has been at the heart of Aston Martin for more than a century, and will continue to be for years to come. It will showcase our vision, desire and capability to successfully embrace radical change, delivering a new breed of car that stays true to our ethos and delights our customers."

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