



2012 Ferrari 458 Italia SPIDER

Launch date: March 4, 2011

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Specifications

Base Price:	\$260,000 (estimated)
Engine:	4.5-liter V-8
Horsepower:	562 hp @ 9,000 rpm
Torque:	398 lb @ 6,000 rpm
Transmission:	7-speed DCT
0-60 mph:	3.5 seconds
Top Speed:	98mph
Weight:	3,400 lb (estimated)
Front Tires:	235/35ZR-20
Rear Tires:	295/35ZR-20
Length:	178 inches



The 458 Italia Spider's engine has a total torque of 6,000 rpm.



The Spider's Interior is very luxurious and complete for anyone who likes luxury.



The Ferrari 458 Italia SPIDER's most aggressive competition is the Audi R8 GT Spyder. With its top speed of 196.97 mph.

Performance: The car's screaming engine normally creates 557 hp and makes the full 562 when the little deformable flaps in the front intakes are flattened at very high speeds. Despite its high-revving nature, the power plant puts out 80 percent of its 398 lb-ft of torque at 3,250 rpm. The coupe's traditional flat-plane racing crankshaft and triple exhaust parlay with the 9,000-rpm redline to produce a mechanical aria that is as patriotic sounding to Italian car lovers as the car's name. The engine also delivers an outstanding power output of 127 HP/liter and 120 Nm/liter and only 307 g/km of CO2 with a fuel consumption of just 13.3 l/100 km.

Exterior and Interior: The roof is made from aluminum and was designed to ergonomically fit just in front of the rear engine without compromising both the car's aerodynamic attributes. With the roof mechanism being as small as it is, the 458 Italia Spider even has room to have a small storage space just behind the two seats of the supercar. The front of the supercar remains untouched, but the rear has been given a few tweaks to work well with the car's new aerodynamic set-up, specifically in the optimization of air flow towards the cooling ducts, oil cooler, and gearbox.

Pricing: Sales for the drop top beauty will start in January 2012 for the US with prices starting at \$257,000. Sales in Europe will begin in October 2011 and prices will start at 226,800 euros, or \$309,000 at the current exchange rates.

Competition: Lamborghini and McLaren have yet to come out with their own Spider versions for the Aventador and the MP4-12C, so for now, the onus is on the Audi R8 GT Spyder and the Mercedes SLS AMG Roadster to compete against the Ferrari 458 Italia Spider. As for the engine, both the SLS AMG Roadster and the 458 Italia Spider retained the same engines as that of the coupe versions. In the case of the former, it's still the 6.3-liter V8 engine that produces 563 horsepower and 479 lb-ft of torque with a top speed of 195 mph. This is where the Audi R8 GT Spyder stands out, thanks to its 4.5-liter V8 engine and its output of 570 horsepower. That carries major pull in the auto market.

2012 Ferrari FF

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Specifications

Base Price	\$330,000 (estimated)
Engine	6.3-liter V-12
Horsepower	651 hp @ 8,000 rpm
Torque	504 lb-ft @ 6,000 rpm
Transmission	7-speed DCT
0-60 mph	3.7 seconds
Top Speed	208 mph
Front Tires:	245/45ZR-18
Tires Rear:	285/40ZR-19
Weight	4,100 lb (estimated)
Length	193 inches

Performance: Under the hood, there is a 6,262 cc direct injection V12 engine that delivers an impressive 660 HP at 8,000 rpm and a peak torque of 503 lbs-ft 6,000 rpm. With this impressive power, the FF will sprint from 0 to 60 mph in 3.7 seconds and will hit a top speed of 208 mph. A first ever for a Ferrari model is the new four-wheel drive system. It weighs 50% less than a conventional four-wheel drive system, maintaining perfect weight distribution. Completely integrated with the car's electronic dynamic control systems, the four-wheel drive technology delivers record levels of performance on all terrains and in all conditions via continuous and intelligent predictive torque distribution to all four wheels.

Exterior and Interior: Designed by Pininfarina, the new Ferrari FF features a shooting brake-like body style, with a front design clearly inspired by the 458 Italia and a large rear hatch. According to Ferrari the new model can comfortably accommodate four people and their luggage, thanks to the best cabin space and boot capacity (450 liters, but up to 800 when rear seats are down). Now since this is a Ferrari, many people aren't too optimistic about the rear room available, but Ferrari has stated that the FF will offer ample room for up to four people. They even went as far as to specify that the measurements for the front and rear are 195 and 185 meters

Pricing: Now that the prototype FF has made its world debut at the Geneva Motor Show, Ferrari will start preparing the production version. However, we don't expect it to go on sale before the end of 2012. Rumors say the price will be in the \$700K area.

Competition: The current market doesn't offer much in the shooting-brake coupe department, but there are lots of four-door GTs out there: the Porsche Panamera, the Maserati Quattroporte, and the Mercedes-Benz CLS—>Maserati Quattroporte are just a few. Of course, this is a totally different car market, with completely different buyers. Not to mention all of them are less powerful and much cheaper than the FF. The only upperhand the FF has is that it is a Ferrari. That carries major pull in the auto market.



The Ferrari FF's engine has a total horsepower of 8,000 rpm.



The Ferrari FF's Luxury is always fast, slick, and beautiful at the same time.



The Ferrari FF's Competition is the Mercedes-Benz CLS. With its luxury and performance about the same.