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Dallara Built This One-Off In Secret, And Now You Can Own It

With a centrally mounted seat and 400 hp, this pandemic-era Dallara one-off is more focused than anything the Italian firm has built for the road

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- **Dallara conceived this bespoke track tool during the Covid-19 pandemic.**
- **The MPS takes inspiration from the SP1000, the brand's first racing car.**
- **Power comes from a 2.3-liter turbocharged four-cylinder with 400 hp.**

There's always been a quiet thread running through boutique Italian engineering, where a passion project can turn into something far more singular than anything planned on a balance sheet.

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You're probably familiar with the Dallara Stradale, the two-seater track car built by Dallara, a firm that's spent decades constructing some of the planet's most impressive open-wheeled race cars. But you've probably never heard of the Dallara MPS before, a one-off that's even more focused than the Stradale.

During the height of lockdowns in mid-2020, amid the Covid-19 pandemic, company founder Giampaolo Dallara decided to build a single-seater, track-only machine inspired by the firm's first-ever racing car, the SP1000. Dubbed the Macchina Posto Singolo, also known as the MPS and Monoposto, this very car is heading to auction next month.

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This is where Dallara stops pretending it's building road cars and leans fully into its racing DNA. Like the SP1000, Dallara's MPS places the driver dead center in a completely open cockpit, stripping the experience down to its purest form. It shares its drivetrain with the Stradale, a Ford-sourced 2.3-liter EcoBoost turbo four-cylinder producing 400 hp, paired with a six-speed automated-manual transmission.

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Underpinning the MPS is a carbon fiber monocoque, and while there's no word on how much it weighs, there's little doubt it would be an absolute weapon on a racetrack. In these photos, the MPS also appears to sit lower and slightly wider than the Stradale. There is no shortage of bespoke touches either, from its distinctive headlights to a clamshell-style hood that looks lifted straight from a prototype racer.

The cabin is shrouded almost entirely in carbon fiber and includes a racing seat that appears to be molded into the monocoque itself. There's also a multi-function steering wheel clad in Alcantara, a digital instrument panel, and a tiny clear wind deflector in place of a normal windshield.

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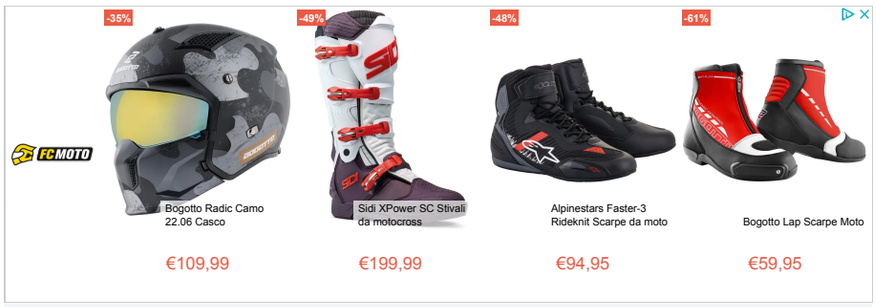
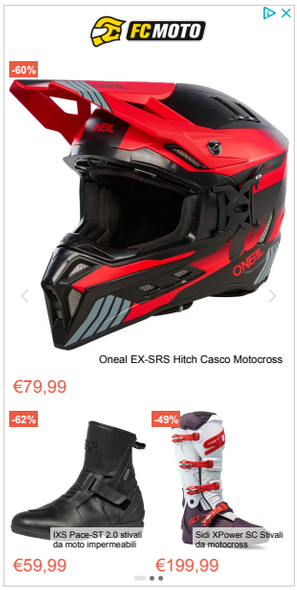
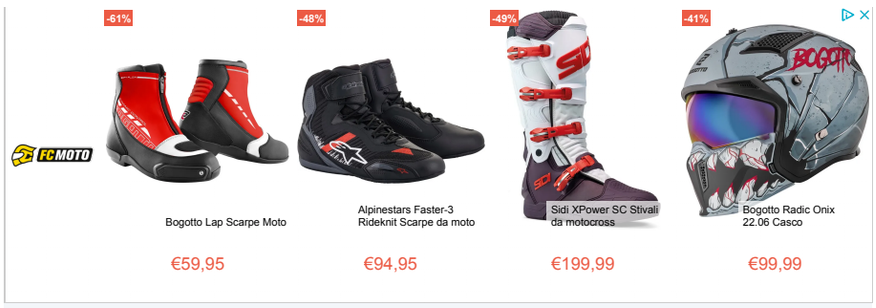
RM Sotheby's is handling the sale of the car. It notes that all funds raised from the auction will be donated to The Caterina Dallara Foundation, established in 2021 by Giampaolo and his daughter in memory of Caterina Dallara. There's no word on how many miles the car has been driven, but it hardly matters, as this is a piece of Dallara history.





With an estimated price north of €700,000 (about $808,000 at current exchange rates), it's not exactly an impulse buy, but then again, neither is owning a slice of Dallara madness. Go check out the listing *here*, and see what a lockdown fever dream looks like when carbon fiber and horsepower take over.



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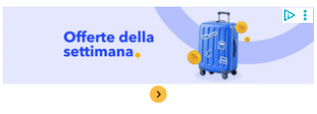

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