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Combining the best of two worlds, that is what PIECHA Design from Rottweil in Baden-Württemberg does with its Avalange RS reconstruction: Here it combines the R230's classic four-eyed face with the fresh design of the 2008 facelift. The front is dominated by a one-lamella grill which is clearly flatter in comparison to the serial model and its enlarged Mercedes star gives the car a more dynamic look. In addition to the fog lights with chrome rings, LED daytime running lights are built into the new front skirt. There is also an optional Parktronic system for the front and back spoilers. Chrome fins on the air outlet of the bonnet and on the side of the car highlight the love of detail. Dynamically designed side skirts with reverse air inlets and the continuously embedded grid give the rear a new style. The striking diffuser the middle front spoiler lips are offered with optional carbon fibre and are both bordered by the double tail pipe of the roaring PIECHA Quadro sport rear muffler. Alternatively, the stainless steel tail ends are also available separately for welding. A discreet rear spoiler lip on the boot lid gives the appearance of a perfectly aerodynamic finish.

With the exception of the front bumper, all components fit the SL facelift 2008 including high performance AMG models SL 55 AMG, SL 63 AMG and SL 65 AMG. The Avalange RS kit was subject to extensive testing of over 320km/h by TÜV Austria [Austrian Association for Technical Inspection] and was also officially cleared for open AMG versions. All aerodynamics parts are delivered with all inner attachments which can be fitted to the original spots keeping assembly effort to a minimum. A brand new three part front spoiler lip is available for the Facelift 2008 model with series front spoiler, which, together with the LED daytime running lights and headlamp visors, gives the Facelift SL a powerful and dynamic appearance. Due to the headlight visors the indicators appear as small LED beams and emphasize the width of the new front end.

The roadster runs on a 35mm lower suspension setting, has optional springs or operates by means of a particular tuner lower suspension model for the ABC chassis which makes it even more dynamic.

The one-piece PIECHA dp3 Avalange ten-spoke alloy rims come in sizes 9.5x20 inches (255 tyres) for the front axle and 10.5x20 inches (305 tyres) for the rear. Available in High Gloss Silver and Satin Black finishes, the stainless steel rim well is highly gloss polished and equipped with bolt heads for a sporty multi-part look.

Alternatively there is the noble three part series - the PIECHA dp1 CC wheels with chiselled spokes in sizes 9.5x20, 10.5x20 and 11.5x20 inches which can be fitted with 255 and 305 tyres. These large wheel/tyre combinations fit under the bodywork without much work.

The introduction of the PIECHA power converter "Intermedia" which eliminates the delay in acceleration and the slow response time of the throttle, so that with a touch of the pedal the SL takes off, promises noticeable torque advances and a considerably better driving experience.

Further technical highlights include the Variorooft comfort module which allows you to open and close the convertible top, even whilst driving at speeds of up to 60 km/h, by pressing a few buttons on the serial key, and the DVD activation module which allows video enjoyment whilst driving (not for the Facelift 2008 models).