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BENTLEY CELEBRATES RECORD AWARDS IN CENTENARY YEAR

- **World's most sought-after luxury car brand wins 26 global accolades**
- **All-new Flying Spur named 'Luxury Car of the Year' by Top Gear Magazine**
- **Continental GT awarded 'People's Car of the Year' by Jeremy Clarkson**
- **Brand named Britain's 'Most Admired Car Company'**
- **Bentley named No. 1 employer by Top Employer Institute**

(Crewe, December 27, 2019) Bentley has rounded off a memorable centenary year with a record number of global awards and accolades. The world's most sought-after luxury car brand claimed no fewer than 26 titles, being recognised as Britain's 'Most Admired Car Company' and for its superlative luxury motors.



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The all-new, third generation Flying Spur won the coveted Top Gear Magazine 'Luxury Car of the Year' title. Remarking on its breadth of ability, Top Gear described the Flying Spur as "a deeply clever, superbly executed car", that also "gets the blend of presence and dynamism spot on."

The Flying Spur was named 'Luxury Car of the Year' by Carwow, the UK's top internet car review channel. Mat Watson, Editorial Director of Carwow, praised the Flying Spur's "powerful yet elegant design, the impeccable cabin, the lavish materials and the hand-built boutique ambiance."

The Flying Spur has been reinvented on a new platform to inspire both driver and passenger alike. The advanced, four-door limousine represents a quantum leap in technology and innovation, with a driver-focussed cabin featuring the latest in-car connectivity and passenger comfort aids.



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The definitive grand touring sports sedan was also named 'China Design Car of the Year' in the China Car of the Year awards, as well as 'Design Car of the Year' by Southern China Annual Auto.

Handcrafted in Crewe, England, the latest Bentley Continental GT won ten awards, adding to an impressive tally since its launch in 2018. The third-generation model was named 'People's Car of the Year' in the News UK Motor Awards, representing The Times, Sunday Times and Sun newspapers.

Presenting the prestigious title, Jeremy Clarkson commented on the Continental GT: "Particularly when you sit inside, they are exceptionally good. I think it's a wonderful, wonderful car and I want one."



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Among the other awards bestowed on the benchmark grand tourer were 'Middle East Car of the Year' and 'Middle East Best Luxury Coupe', 'Car of the Year' in Portugal and the German Design Council's 'Outstanding Product and Communication Design'.

The Bentley Bentayga, the benchmark luxury SUV, was named 'Best Mid-Size Luxury SUV' at the Middle East Car of the Year ceremony, and also won the 'Industry Leading Innovation Award' at the Global Times Bo Yuan Awards.

Elsewhere, Bentley Motors' industry-leading reputation was reinforced by prominent business magazine, Management Today, which named Bentley as Britain's 'Most Admired Car Company' and placed it top in the overall category for 'Best Quality of Products.' The company was also named 'Top Employer 2019' by the Top Employer Institute, and 'Top Automotive Employer for



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School Leavers' by careers guidance company AllAboutSchoolLeavers for the second successive year.

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| PRODUCT | FLYING SPUR | |
| | Top Gear - 'Luxury Car of the Year' | |
| | Carwow - 'Luxury Car of the Year' | |
| | China Car of the Year "China Design Car of the Year" | |
| | Southern China Annual Auto "Design Car of the Year" | |
| | CONTINENTAL GT | |
| | News UK Motor Awards - 'British Built Car of the Year' | |
| | German Design Council Awards - 'Outstanding Product and Communication Design' | |
| | MECOTY - 'Car of the Year' Middle East | |
| | MECOTY - 'Best Luxury Coupe' Middle East | |
| | WARDS – Winner in 10 'Best Interior Award' | |
| | Gear Patrol – Top 10 in Autos for 100 Best Product of The Year | |
| | Robb Report – Winner, 'Best Grand Tourer' in Best of the Best Awards | |
| | Robb Report Best of the Best "Convertible Model of the Year" China | |
| | Schweizer Illustrierte - 'Most Stylish Car in Switzerland 2020' | |
| COTY Portugal - 'Car of the Year' | | |
| BENTAYGA | | |
| Global Times Bo Yuan Awards "Industry Leading Innovation Award" | | |
| MECOTY - 'Best Midsize Luxury SUV' | | |
| HR | Top Employer Institute - 'Top Employer 2019' | |
| | AllAboutSchoolLeavers - 'Top Automotive Employer for School Leavers' | |
| | Fairtrain- Gold Level for the 'Work Experience Quality Standards' | |
| | One of the 'Top 100 Most Influential Women in the Engineering Sector' - Astrid Fontaine | |
| Automotive 30% Club - 'Inspiring Automotive Women Awards' - Astrid Fontaine, Claire Keith, Victoria Woolley, Phoebe Jay | | |
| OTHER | Management Today - 'Most Admired Car Company' | |
| | Management Today - 'Best Quality of Products' | |
| | German Design Council Awards - 'Parts and Accessories' for the pen partnership with Graf von Faber-Castell | |
| | Walpole British Luxury Awards - 'Future Legacy' for the EXP 100 GT | |
| Pebble Beach - 'Best of Show Awards' - Bentley 1931 Gurney Nutting Sports Tourer | | |



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Bentley Motors is the most sought after luxury car brand in the world. The company's headquarters in Crewe is home to all of its operations including design, R&D, engineering and production of the company's four model lines, Continental, Flying Spur, Bentayga and Mulsanne. The combination of fine craftsmanship, using skills that have been handed down through generations, alongside engineering expertise and cutting-edge technology is unique to UK luxury car brands such as Bentley. It is also an example of high-value British manufacturing at its best. Bentley employs around 4,000 people at Crewe.