



By appointment  
to HM The Queen  
motor car manufacturers  
Bentley Motors Limited  
Crewe Cheshire



By appointment  
to HRH The Prince of Wales  
motor car manufacturers  
Bentley Motors Limited  
Crewe Cheshire



**BENTLEY**

## Press Information

### YEAR OF GLOBAL AWARDS FOR CONTINENTAL GT

- **New Continental GT receives multiple awards in 2018**
- **International judges bestow 19 accolades on new model**
- **Pinnacle Grand Tourer *Top Gear* magazine's 'GT of the Year'**
- **GQ magazine's coveted 'Best Interior' title for Continental GT**
- **German Design Awards double for Crewe-built Grand Tourer**

**(Crewe, 17 December 2018)** Bentley has enjoyed a year of international recognition for the new Continental GT – the world's pinnacle Grand Tourer – picking up an impressive number of accolades.

Designed, engineered and handcrafted in Great Britain, the Continental GT received 19 awards from a wide range of publications in countries including China, Germany, Russia and its home market of the UK.

Commenting on the year of success, Adrian Hallmark, Chairman and Chief Executive, Bentley Motors, said: "Elegant understatement that forces you to look; engineering excellence you'll take for granted – the extraordinary breadth of capabilities offered by the new Continental GT is unique and can only be offered by our noble British brand."

**Marc Mustard**

News and Product  
Communications Manager  
marc.mustard@bentley.co.uk  
+44 (0)7815 372 634

"The experts around the world have spoken, and they all agree we've created the finest Grand Tourer and I'm delighted that the car has received such a high level of recognition."

**Bentley Motors Ltd**

Pyms Lane  
Crewe  
CW1 3PL

www.bentleymedia.com  
communications@bentley.co.uk  
@BentleyComms



By appointment  
to HM The Queen  
motor car manufacturers  
Bentley Motors Limited  
Crewe Cheshire



By appointment  
to HRH The Prince of Wales  
motor car manufacturers  
Bentley Motors Limited  
Crewe Cheshire



**BENTLEY**

## Press Information

“With the new Continental GT Convertible joining this highly acclaimed range next year, this only adds to the strongest and most technologically advanced portfolio of products the world has ever seen in one luxury brand.”

### **New Continental GT – Winning With Judges**

---

Since its public unveiling just over a year ago, the third generation Continental GT has become a statement of Grand Touring excellence, combining supercar performance with limousine-like refinement and luxury.

World-leading style experts, GQ magazine, picked the ultimate grand tourer for its ‘Best Interior (And Possibly Exterior)’ award. It wrote: “Bentley’s challenge was to locate the sweet spot where hi-tech intersects with fabulous luxury. Challenge met.” It added that “Bentley has created a stunning environment... Best interior? Yes, and the rest.”

In naming it ‘GT of the Year’, BBC’s *Top Gear* magazine praised the Continental GT’s depth of engineering, with the publication describing it as “simply one of the most complete GT cars on the planet”. Particular praise was given to the car’s composure on road, making it “easier than ever to thread through the tricky bits”.

#### **Marc Mustard**

News and Product  
Communications Manager  
marc.mustard@bentley.co.uk  
+44 (0)7815 372 634

#### **Bentley Motors Ltd**

Pyms Lane  
Crewe  
CW1 3PL

www.bentleymedia.com  
communications@bentley.co.uk  
@BentleyComms

In the inaugural News UK Motor Awards, including the *Times* and *Sun* titles, the Continental GT was named ‘Luxury Car of the Year’. The judges noted that “the cabin feels as sumptuously appointed as the Princess Grace Suite at the Hotel de Paris Monte-Carlo” and that “unlike many sports cars, you’ll arrive feeling as relaxed as when the journey started”.



By appointment  
to HM The Queen  
motor car manufacturers  
Bentley Motors Limited  
Crewe Cheshire



By appointment  
to HRH The Prince of Wales  
motor car manufacturers  
Bentley Motors Limited  
Crewe Cheshire



**BENTLEY**

## Press Information

The Continental GT was also named 'Best Interior' and 'Best Exterior Premium Brand' in the prestigious *German Design Awards*, 'Grand Tourer of the Year' by *Sohu Auto* in China, and 'Best Grand Tourer for travelling in Europe' by Russian title, *Prime Traveller*.

### Bentley 2018 awards in detail:

Continental GT		
British GQ	Best Interior (And Possibly Exterior)	UK
News UK Motors Award	Luxury Car of the Year	
Sohu Auto	Grand Tourer of the Year 2017	China
Global Times	Innovate product of the Year 2017	
Men's Uno	Best Car of the Year 2018	
Trophées de l'Argus	Design	France
Coyote Automobile Awards	Design	
Festival Automobile International	Design	
Sportscars of the Year - Autozeitung	Best GT	Germany
German Design Awards	'Exterior Premium Brand'	
German Design Awards	'Best 'Interior'	
OBSERVADOR	Best Sportscar	Portugal
Turbo	Best Sportscar	
Essilor Car of the Year	Best Sportscar	
Auto Pro 2018	Best luxury car	Romania
Prime Traveller	The Best Grand Tourer for travelling in Europe	Russia
Autobello	2018 Best Luxury Design Award	Spain
Best Cars - (Auto Illustrierte)	Best Luxury Car 2019	Switzerland
Robb Report Vietnam	Top 10 Best Cars	Vietnam

**Marc Mustard**  
News and Product  
Communications Manager  
marc.mustard@bentley.co.uk  
+44 (0)7815 372 634

**Bentley Motors Ltd**  
Pyms Lane  
Crewe  
CW1 3PL

www.bentleymedia.com  
communications@bentley.co.uk  
@BentleyComms

- ENDS -



By appointment  
to HM The Queen  
motor car manufacturers  
Bentley Motors Limited  
Crewe Cheshire



By appointment  
to HRH The Prince of Wales  
motor car manufacturers  
Bentley Motors Limited  
Crewe Cheshire



**BENTLEY**

## Press Information

### Notes to editors

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.

#### **Marc Mustard**

News and Product  
Communications Manager  
marc.mustard@bentley.co.uk  
+44 (0)7815 372 634

#### **Bentley Motors Ltd**

Pyms Lane  
Crewe  
CW1 3PL

[www.bentleymedia.com](http://www.bentleymedia.com)  
[communications@bentley.co.uk](mailto:communications@bentley.co.uk)  
@BentleyComms