

A supercar that has been out for a while is the breathtaking McLaren MP4-12C – yes it still has that clinical title.

After a brief neck jarring drive to Sun City, I would not have the temerity to enter the fiery Ferrari 458 Italia comparison. But just to say it is an adrenalin feast being shunted along by the highly tweaked 3,8 litre twin-turbo V8.

What strikes me most about the Big Mac? Sheer, sublime simplicity. No fancy buttons on the steering wheel and it seems Frank Stephenson has cut out every bit of instrumentation that is not absolutely functional.

All 20 McLarens allocated to South Africa have apparently been sold but you can put your name down on the list and may even get lucky in about four months. With the car that is.

If you are waiting for your ship to come in – and Captain Francesco Schettino has run adrift again – you might consider the facelift 2012 Nissan GT-R at much less than half the price. R1,437m for the Black Edition including a long list of features that would be extras on most other sports cars.

The GTR doesn't pretend to be anything else than one of the fastest production cars around at the most reasonable price. Even if it is close to a two tonner!

A two tonner that tops a ton in less than three seconds and could take you to Durban in less than two hours – on a straight line superway!

Not a lot has changed in the design and like all new editions the engineers seem to be producing more clean power out of less fuel.

The suspension is a lot more friendly and the test to Magaliesburg was over in a blink. Only 6 cylinders and just 6 gears. It should be illegal

