

From the SLK200 to the SLK32 AMG and Tuners Updated February 2024

The Mercedes-Benz SLK-Class is a two-seat roadster that was produced from 1996 to 2016. The SLK stands for "Sportlich Leicht Kurz" (Sporty, Light, Short), and it was designed to be a compact and affordable sports car. The SLK-Class was available in a variety of trim levels, including the SLK200, SLK230, SLK280, SLK32 AMG, SLK55 AMG, and SLK63 AMG.

History

The first-generation SLK-Class (R170) was introduced in 1996. It was based on the Mercedes-Benz C-Class and featured a retractable hardtop. The R170 was a popular car, and it helped to establish the SLK-Class as a successful model.



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The second-generation SLK-Class (R171) was introduced in 2004. It was larger and more powerful than the R170, and it featured a number of new features, including a panoramic sunroof and a seven-speed automatic transmission. The R171 was also a popular car, and it helped to further solidify the SLK-Class's position in the market.

The third-generation SLK-Class (R172) was introduced in 2011. It was the first SLK-Class to feature a folding hardtop. The R172 was also larger and more powerful than the R171, and it featured a number of new features, including a new infotainment system and a new suspension system. The R172 was the last generation of the SLK-Class, and it was discontinued in 2016.

Specifications

The SLK-Class was available in a variety of trim levels, each with its own unique specifications. The following table shows the key specifications for the different trim levels:

Trim Level	Engine	Power	Torque	0-60 mph	Top Speed
SLK200	2.0L I4	163 hp	192 lb-ft	7.9 seconds	130 mph
SLK230	2.3L V6	193 hp	209 lb-ft	6.7 seconds	143 mph
SLK280	3.0L V6	231 hp	229 lb-ft	6.3 seconds	155 mph
SLK32 AMG	3.2L V6	355 hp	302 lb-ft	4.9 seconds	174 mph
SLK55 AMG	5.5L V8	476 hp	516 lb-ft	4.2 seconds	186 mph
SLK63 AMG	6.2L V8	518 hp	465 lb-ft	4.0 seconds	186 mph

Performance

The SLK-Class is a performance-oriented sports car. The base SLK200 is no slouch, but the higher-performance AMG models are truly impressive.

The SLK32 AMG can accelerate from 0-60 mph in under 5 seconds, and the SLK55 AMG and SLK63 AMG can do it in under 4 seconds. The SLK-Class is also a great handling car, thanks to its well-balanced chassis and responsive steering.

Modifications

There are a number of ways to modify the SLK-Class to improve its performance and appearance. Some of the most popular modifications include:

- * Engine tuning
- * Exhaust upgrades
- * Suspension upgrades
- * Brake upgrades
- * Wheel and tire upgrades
- * Aerodynamic upgrades

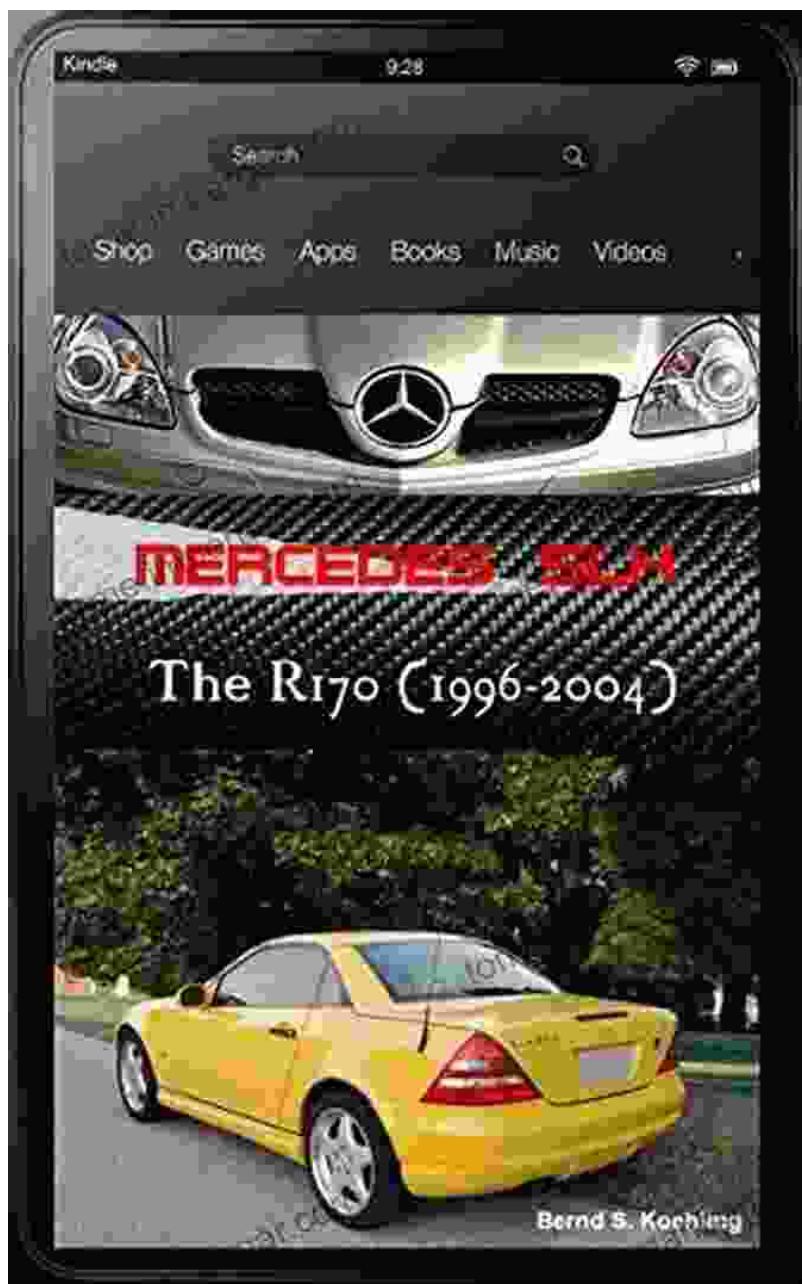
There are also a number of aftermarket tuners that specialize in modifying the SLK-Class. Some of the most popular tuners include:

- * Brabus
- * Carlsson
- * Kleemann
- * Lorinser
- * Renntech
- * Weistec

These tuners can provide a variety of upgrades for the SLK-Class, including engine tuning, suspension upgrades, and brake upgrades. They can also provide custom body kits and wheels.

The Mercedes-Benz SLK-Class is a stylish and sporty roadster that is perfect for those who want a fun and exciting driving experience. The SLK-Class is available in a variety of trim levels, each with its own unique set of features and performance capabilities. The SLK-Class is also a popular target for modifiers, thanks to its well-balanced chassis and responsive steering. If you are looking for a performance-oriented sports car that is

also stylish and fun to drive, the Mercedes-Benz SLK-Class is a great option.



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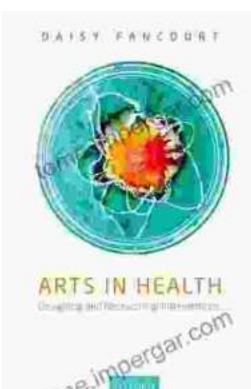
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