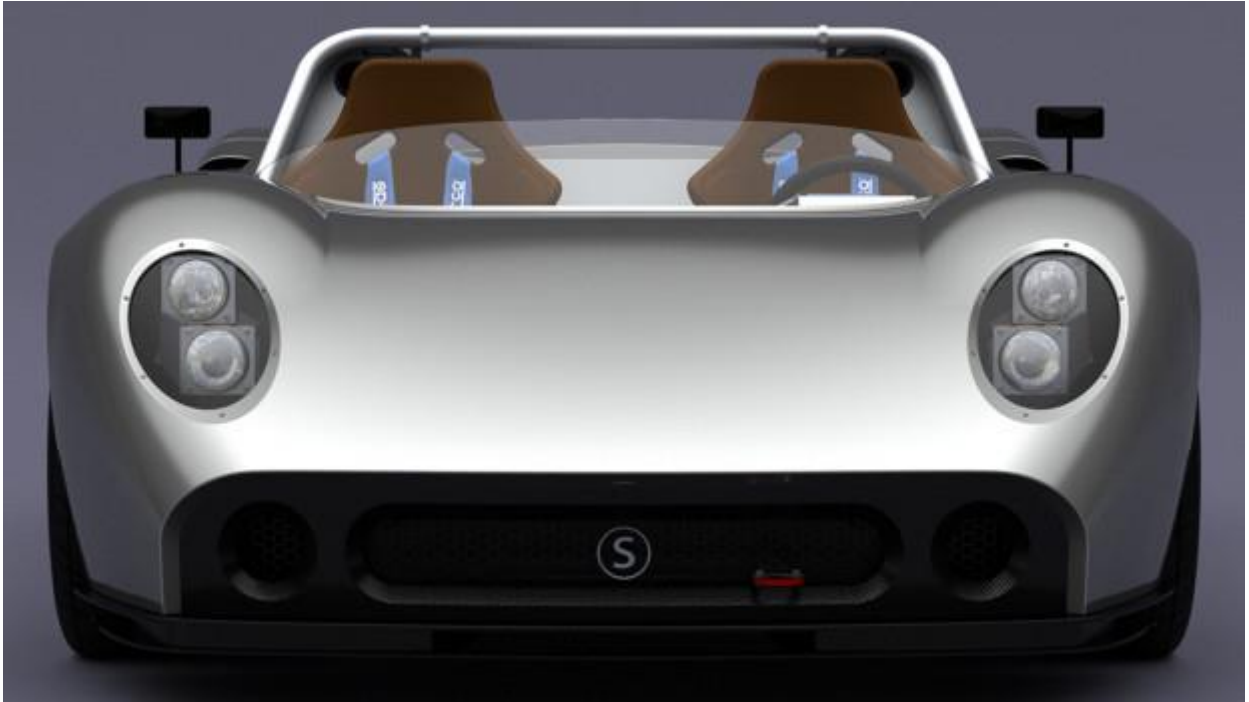


Subaru six-cylinder two-seater

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Silvermine. If you serve in the South African Navy, well, it's the place your boss has tea and dispatches commands from.

If you are Dutch and lust after Subarus, well, Silvermine's Frank van Rouendal is your high priest of automotive gospel. The brand's 11SR offering has been confirmed for production and it is every bit the redoubtably engineered product you would expect from a small Dutch company.

Brothers Marco and Andries van Overbeeke styled the 11SR to reflect a design narrative reminiscent of historic racers from the 1960s. We think they have done rather well as it looks quite, desirable.

Beyond the historic racer design there is a fantastically modern suite of mechanical engineering details to the 11SR: carbon-fibre surfacing, a geometrically impeccable tubular frame chassis and Subaru power. Subaru? Yes, Subaru's 3-litre six-cylinder boxer engine sits amidships in the 11SR and with those horizontally opposed cylinders churning away at a centre of gravity effectively at differential level, weight distribution is excellent.

Silvermine is being quite coy about the price of its 11SR, but the canny Dutch lightweight automotive specialist has confirmed that a trackday only version of 11SR will be good for 242kW, whilst a (loosely) road legal one boxes 168kW.

Our advice? Get either, just make sure you chose a properly retro colour scheme too.

- See more at: <http://www.topgear.co.za/news/beautifully-styled-subaru-six-cylinder-special-is-surprisingly-dutch/#sthash.ut4t8vvl.dpuf>