MILLBROOK PERFORMANCE DRIVING

England – Millbrook Proving Ground, Bedfordshire.

Constructed in the late 1960s, Millbrook is recognised as one of the world's foremost automotive technology parks. Set in the heart of the English countryside, Millbrook is the UK's premier multi-purpose test track facility with on and off road tracks. Covering 700 acres with over 38 miles of test environments, Millbrook offers testing for military, commercial and passenger cars.

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1. Handling circuit
   Aston Martins are renowned for their superb balance of ride and handling and there's no better way of finding out what this really means than by driving on the handling circuit.

2. City course
   If you think slow-speed driving is undemanding, be ready to have your preconceptions disproved. The city course demands spatial awareness, concentration, sharp reactions and the ability to plan ahead.

3. One-mile straight
   Where else can you learn what it feels like to unleash the full power of your Aston Martin? The straight also provides a rare opportunity to practice high-speed braking in a safe environment, allowing you to experience the immense stopping power and ultimate acceleration of your Aston Martin in safety.

4. Hill route circuit
   This is where you'll discover the vital importance of perfect poise and balance as you come face to face with non-stop demands in the ultimate handling test.

5. Low grip area (1)
   Experience the ABS and traction control systems of your Aston Martin on different low grip surfaces that range from 'checkerboard' to 'ice'.

6. Circular high-speed bowl
   360 degrees of pure adrenaline. This unique experience demands total concentration, intense forward focus and confidence in both yourself and your Aston Martin. Discover the true definition of high-speed balance.

7. Low grip area (2)
   Experience understeer and oversteer and how the Dynamic Stability Control System can detect these slides to maintain directional stability.

Millbrook Proving Ground Q & A

1) Do I use my car on the PDC?

No, Aston Martin provide the relevant car (V8 Vantage Manual Coupe, V8 Vantage Sportshift Coupe, DB9 Touchtronic Coupe, DB9 Touchtronic Coupe with Sportspack, DB9 Manual Coupe, DB9 Manual Coupe with Sportspack or Vanquish S) prepared especially for the event. Please be aware these cars will be RHD only.

2) How long does the day last?

The course starts at 09.30 at Newport Pagnell Aston Martin where you will meet your instructor for the day. From here your instructor will drive you over to Millbrook Proving Ground, Bedford a short 20 minute drive. The day will finish at approximately 16.00.

3) How much does the Performance Driving Course cost?

The cost of the course is £895.00 including VAT

4) How often do courses run?

PDCs take place everyday at the moment and a maximum of five courses can run on any day.

5) Do you recommend hotels in the area?

Yes, we can recommend:

- Flitwick Manor, Woburn (01525 712242)
http://www.menzies-hotels.co.uk/book-luton-airport-hotel-flitwickmanor.shtml

- The Inn at Woburn, Woburn (01525 290441)
http://www.theinnatwoburn.com/

- The Holiday Inn, Milton Keynes (01908 517404)
http://www.holidayinn.com/mkeast

When making your booking please inform the hotel you are a customer of Aston Martin

6) Please recommend transfer companies in the area?

We recommend that you ask your hotel at the time of booking to arrange any transportation requirements.

Alternatively:

Quick Line 01908 218218
Sky Line 01908 222111

7) Can I bring a guest?

We do not recommend that you bring a guest as there is very little to see or do once the driver is out on the track. However if your guest wants to participate on a course we can accommodate another instructor and car.

8) Are there any age restrictions?

No, as long as you have a full driving licence you can attend a PDC.

9) Can I co-ordinate my trip with a Factory Tour?

Please let me know if this is something you require and we will make the necessary arrangements.