



Stereo fascia up until the 2008 MY.

Audio Options

Vantage

The standard Aston Martin audio system is made by Alpine. Unlike many base stereos it also features a subwoofer, so with careful adjustment of bass and treble settings (there is no separate subwoofer control) you can get a good sound with decent depth. The stereo offers an output of 160 watts, with two door-mounted 40W speakers (featuring mid-range and tweeter units) plus the 80W subwoofer under the rear environment (left side). Since launch, the Vantage also features a useful multi-play 6-CD changer in the centre dash console, so you don't have to fiddle around in the boot to change your CD's. There is also AM / FM radio (with 10 AM and 20 FM presets). From the 2008MY USB (compatible with WAV, WMA, MP3) and iPOD connection was added to the centre tunnel cubby box and audio controls to the steering wheel. The standard audio is perfectly acceptable but the Premium upgrade option (also Alpine) is very good and a must-have option for hi-fi-buffs. Roadster owners will also benefit from the extra power and quality roof down. The rear/centre speaker grills are empty on the standard system, the display shows if the Premium Audio is fitted on start-up (top right).



Premium Audio System

(£1000). Offers the following additional features: the door mounted speakers are upgraded to 100W – there are two additional rear 100W speakers added (each with 4-inch mid-bass and 1-inch soft dome tweeter units) - an additional 100W 4–inch co-ax mid-bass centre dash speaker and the Subwoofer (now UR 8 inch twin coil) is upgraded to 200W. Total output is increased to 700 Watts and it also features Dolby 5.1 Pro-Logic II surround sound functions. You also gain additional controls to vary the subwoofer, surround level, centre speaker and fade in addition to the usual, treble, bass etc. There is also a 5-band graphic equaliser allowing fine control of various frequencies for best sound set-up. The sound is fabulous with good clarity and immense depth at all volumes, although it does need to be set-up correctly. It is capable of filling the cabin with sound even at high speeds in a Roadster roof down. If you like good sound quality in your car stereo this is a must buy option, unless you can afford the range topping Bang & Olufsen system.



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