

Simple Stuff

Morgan vs American Muscle

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I've often thought modern cars had outstanding performance and compared favorably with the muscle cars I knew and loved, so I decided to do some research. Here's what I found. Kinda surprising really! Have a look and see how a 2 liter modern Morgan stacks up against some of the mightiest American V8s while returning mid-50s MPG!

	0-60	0-100	1/4 mile	Top Speed
2025 Morgan Plus Four 2,211 lb/255 hp/295 lb-ft	4.3	10.8	12.8/107.7	149
1967 Pontiac GTO Ram Air 3,600 lb/360 hp/438 lb-ft	5.2	14.0	13.8/104.0	107
1969 Corvette 427 3,365 lb/435 hp/460 lb-ft	5.3	12.6	13.8/106.8	140
1968 Road Runner Hemi 425 hp 3,650 lb/425 hp/490 lb-ft	5.3	12.4	13.3/106.5	140
1963 Shelby Cobra 289 2,019 lb/271 hp/314 lb-ft	5.5	13.3	13.8/104.0	135

And now for the big 'smackdown'...

1965 Shelby Cobra 427 2,529 lb/485 hp/480 lb-ft	4.3	8.8	12.2/118.0	165
2027 Corvette base 3,647/535 hp/520 lb-ft	2.8	7.0	11.0/124	200

Light weight + torque + big sticky tires and electronic traction control equals acceleration. Lots of it!

Simple formula. Need I say more?