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Owned by Sultan Ibrahim ibni Almarhum Sultan Iskandar Al-Haj, the truck is one that has made headlines all over the world: a one of a kind Mack.

What we knew about the truck is that it had been built in Australia, is the world's most expensive truck and a vehicle that has been highly customised. Upon arrival in Malaysia, the truck was on public display as it would be forming part of a convoy that would tour Johor in an annual event.

Driving out of the garage, the Mack truck doesn't seem to end. Based on a Super-Liner, the chassis has been extended to fit the intended purpose. With a stunning custom paint job and lots of technical features, such as Playstation and TVs on board, this truck surely is a show stopper. For a smoother appearance, the fifth wheel is covered when the truck isn't put to work by pulling speedboats. There are fixtures that allow for umbrellas (parasols) to cover

the area behind the cabin and there is plenty of space to put some deck chairs, making the vehicle also a viewing platform at regattas.

Inside we will find not only lush interior, but also practical items such as a kitchenette and even a tissue holder – something that cannot be missed in any vehicle on Malaysia's roads. A wardrobe ensures that clothing is stored wrinkle free and the leather upholstered and air-suspended seat

The equipment found on board was recommended by the manufacturer, while the task given by the Sultan of Johor was seemingly simple: "Build me a royal truck". In order to get all the finer details agreed upon, there have been many meetings. Generators make the truck suitable for overnight stays, power the entertainment system and amenities, such as fridges and DVD players on board. While various media outlets has bestowed a few different names onto the truck, the owner simply wants to call his creation "The Royal Machine". A fitting name for a unique example of a truck like this.

In order to accommodate the driving style of this royal owner, the suspension was detuned a bit as to soften while the transmission was adjusted. The shifting program was amended in order to match the driving style of the driver. This was done by having a Mack engineer riding along with the Sultan while





being plugged into the on board computer, making adjustments along with the torque being tuned.

In an interview in 2016, Mr. Dean Bestwick, Vice President – Mack Sales revealed further details about the truck:

“The Truck is based on a Superliner, MP10 16l 685hp. This is the most powerful conventional production truck in the world. (Trucks with hoods are described as “Conventional” in the US), it is equipped with our mDrive transmission,” he said.

The truck was built in Australia as Mack is able to deliver quality custom built units from their factory in Brisbane. Mack Australia are the Right Hand Drive specialist for the Mack Brand and it is obviously easy to ship the vehicle to Malaysia. Mack in the USA do not build a truck of this nature, they are capped at 605hp in a day cab version.

The truck took three weeks to build down line in production and then another 12 months of customisation. All brands owned by AB Volvo have group engines, the base engines are the same however each engine has specific parameters that are needed for each Country to ensure we can maximise torque and Hp settings. s for driver and co-driver offer a lot of comfort.





MACK's greatest creation
custom built for
His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim of Johor
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