



Type 512 1940

What Alfa Romeo might have been! The 162 and 163 experimental vehicles of 16 cylinders, and the 512 with 12 opposed cylinders in banks of six, a then completely new arrangement. The engine was positioned behind the driver, with an integral gear box

on the rear axle, to express a power of 335 HP at 8600 r.p.m. War events interrupted trials, making necessary the retreat to the more mature and orthodox

type 158 which, notwithstanding an inferior potential capacity on paper, proved itself able to hold head against rivals in the postwar revival.

Grand Prix single-seater

Cylinders	12
Cylinder capacity	cc 1490
BHP at 8600 rpm	335
Dry weight	lbs 1565