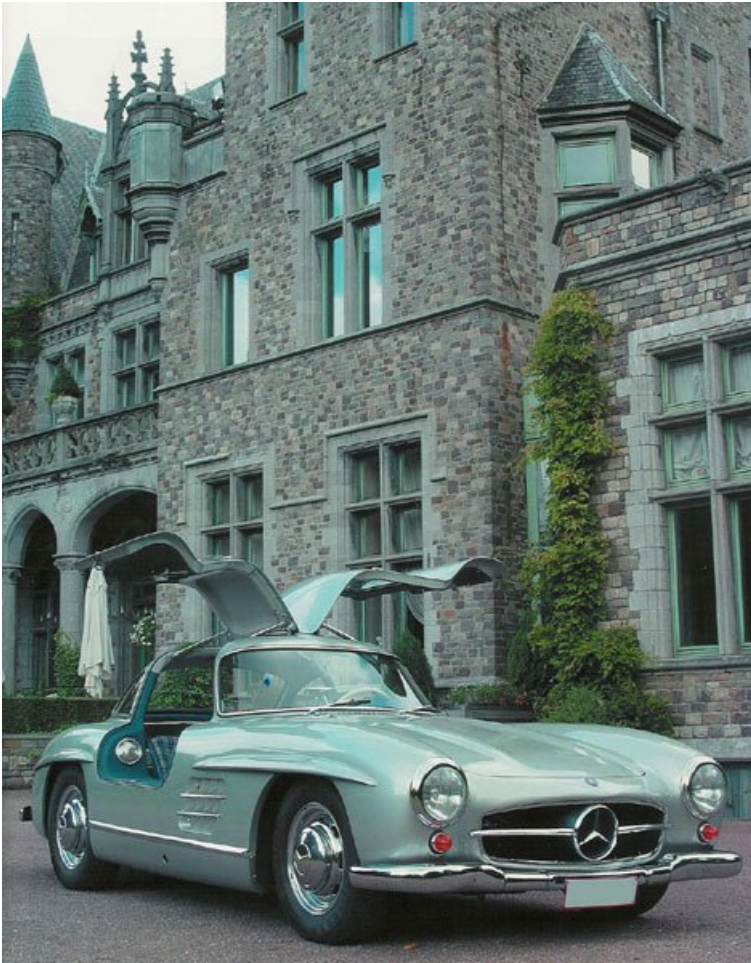


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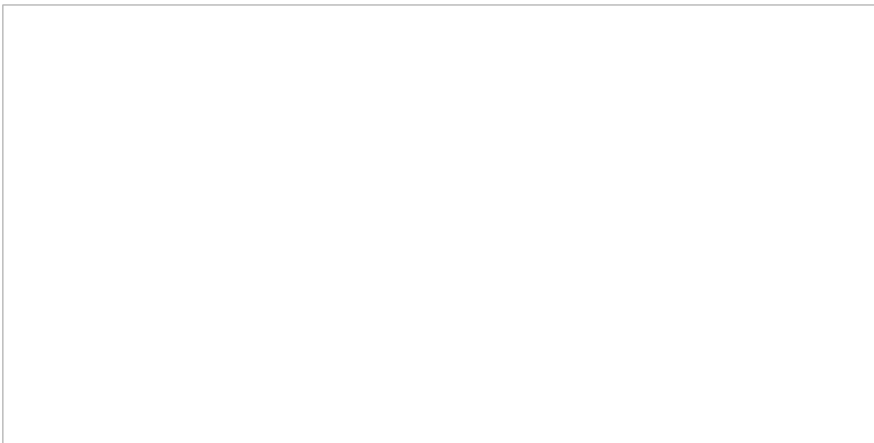
## [Bonhams at Geneva 2nd October 2004 , 'Gentlemens' Sale' - Preview](#)



**An innovative Sale by Simon Kidston and the Bonhams Europe team is an auction devoted to 'The Compleat Gentleman'. Cigars, wine, accessories such as cufflinks and cocktail shakers, combine with a discrete selection of boats and cars including this 1956 'Gullwing' for CHF400,000 - 450,000.**

Sold new to America (like so many 300SLs) in 1956 this car has been the subject of an extensive restoration between 1995 and 2003, and is finished in the classic silver grey and light blue tartan cloth seating of the 1950s 'Silver Arrows'. If open-air Mercedes motoring is more your scene then there is also a **1957 300SL Roadster** for CHF280,000 - 320,000, and a **1954 300b Cabriolet** at CHF230,000 - 250,000.

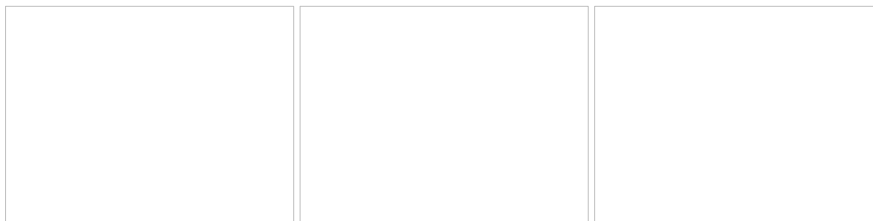
The opening car lot is a **1975 Rolls-Royce Corniche Convertible** at CHF70,000 - 80,000. Finished in metallic walnut with magnolia leather, the RHD car is an elegant boulevardier and at around the £30,000, or \$US56,000, mark looks a reasonable buy. The catalogue of top-class open cars also includes a **1958 Aston Martin DB MkIII Drophead Coupe** for CHF120,000 - 150,000, another RHD vehicle.



**1975 Rolls-Royce Corniche Convertible CHF70,000 - 80,000**

Only 24 **Lancia Hyena Zagatos** were produced in the early 1990s, small GT cars based on the running gear and mechanicals of the rally-winning Integrale. The red example in the auction features a 300bhp engine (up from 210bhp), and bills for some £85,000 spent modifying the car to a bespoke specification for its owner. It's estimated at CHF60,000 - 80,000. Those wanting more traditional coupé motoring, but still requiring something out of the ordinary, may be interested in the **1980 BMW M1 Coupé**, at CHF80,000 - 100,000, a car displaying a total of just 6,460 kms on the clock, or the **1969 Lamborghini Miura P400 'S'** for CHF140,000 - 170,000.

Prior to the motor cars (that start at 7 pm approx.) there is a selection of fine wines and cigars (3 pm) and 'Gentlemens Accessories' following on around 5 pm. There's some great stuff here and if a double-magnum of **1993 Chateau Lynch-Bages** (CHF400 - 500) does not appeal to you, then why not bid on the circa **1930s Asprey cocktail cabinet** in the form of a metal safe? Its CHF16,000 - 18,000 estimate may require you to at least break into your piggy bank, if not a bank.



Humidor Montecristo including 50  
Montecristo A and 50 Salomones  
No. 2 - CHF 7,500 - 8,000

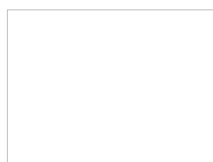
1949 Chateau Lafite-Rothschild

circa 1930s Louis Vuitton travelling  
bar - CHF40,000 - 50,000

The Auction will be held at the Parc des Eaux-Vives, Geneva.

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