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1964 Ferrari 250 LM: Dramatic Last-Minute Entry in 2008 Maranello Sale



The ex-Jochen Rindt, Austrian Grand Prix-winning Ferrari 250 LM, chassis 5845GT, will be one of the headlining entries at this weekend's all-Ferrari sale.

With just days to go before over 40 Ferraris (and a Maserati MC12) are offered for sale by RM Auctions, in association with Sotheby's, at Fiorano, an exciting late entry has been added to the catalogue: the car that future World Champion **Jochen Rindt** took to first place in his home Grand Prix in 1965.



Only 32 250 LMs were built – a fact that denied Enzo Ferrari the chance to homologate it as a GT car in long-distance racing. Ferrari's Championship loss is the car collecting world's gain, as the mid-engined coupé (that can just about be driven on the road) is one of the marque's most desirable models.

It was designed to replace the immortal **250 GTO** but, due to constant wrangling with the authorities over homologation, could neither challenge for outright victories against prototypes from Ferrari and Ford, nor win a GT category now dominated by Ford-engined AC Cobras and, later on, GT40s. The 250 LMs were regularly entered by iconic 1960s racing teams such as **Maranello Concessionaires, North American Racing Team, Scuderia Filipinetti** and **Ecurie Francorchamps**.

The quick and reliable cars would often do well when more fragile opposition failed. The model's greatest success was first overall at **Le Mans** in 1965, a **N.A.R.T.** entry driven by, yes, you've guessed it, **Jochen Rindt**, partnered by the bespectacled Kansan, **Masten Gregory**.

The car carries an estimate of 4,200,000 - 4,800,000 euros. You can see further details [HERE](#) and read our preview of the 2008 Maranello Sale [HERE](#).

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Preliminary auction schedule

SALE:

May 18, 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
(viewing starts at 9:00 AM)

PREVIEW:

May 16, 2008 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
May 17, 2008 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
May 18, 2008 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

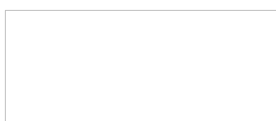
Dates and times are subject to change.

GALA RECEPTION:

May 17, 2008 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (by invitation only)

LOCATION:

Ferrari S.p.A.
Circuito di Fiorano
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