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Porsche 911: The generation gap, 'G' meets '991'

How times have changed. In 1973 Porsche introduced the infamous G-series 'rubber bumper' 911 to meet new US safety regulations. Now, five generations of 911 later, the company is celebrating the earlier car alongside [the very latest 911](#).

The two were photographed side-by-side at Laguna Seca recently, the location for the recent [Rennsport Reunion IV](#).

California, handily, was chosen as the launch venue for the latest 991-series 911, so the Stuttgart company (so successful in North America) used the opportunity for some classy photography that mixed old with new.

And, lest you wrinkle a nose at the G-series' clunky extremities, don't forget, without strong 911 sales in America during a difficult period in the late 80s/early 90s, Porsche might not be in the healthy state it is today.

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