## **CLASSIC DRIVER**

# A diverse range of racers at Silverstone Auctions' Competition Cars sale

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Whether you're an experienced hand looking for an ultra-competitive car, or a novice looking for an ideal place to start, Silverstone Auctions' Competition Cars sale, to be held on 23 July at the Northamptonshire circuit, offers something for anyone with a serious interest in historic motorsport...

Held as a precursor to its main Silverstone Classic sale, Silverstone Auctions' Competition Cars sale offers an impressive variety of predominantly historic competition vehicles, from single-seaters to Super Touring Cars.

#### Your ticket to...





Our favourite has to be the <u>ex-Gordon Spice Ford Capri</u> (est. £75,000-90,000), which, despite its slightly confusing history, is a potential entry for the Gerry Marshall Trophy, the headline race at the Goodwood Members' Meeting. Another car with sought-after Goodwood eligibility is the <u>Cooper Monaco T49 Mk1</u> (£160,000-180,000), which has belonged to a string of famous British motorsport names over the years, including Frank Sytner.

If you'd like to be at the sharp end of the grid, several cars could allegedly be front-runners. Take, for example, the  $\underline{1975\ Chevron\ B31}$  (£130,000-150,000), the  $\underline{1954\ Morgan\ 4/4}$  – upgraded to 'Supersports' specification (£70,000-90,000), or the  $\underline{1999\ Renault\ Laguna\ Super\ Touring\ Car}$  – the very last Laguna chassis built by Williams before Renault pulled out of the renowned series.

### Something for everyone





Of the handful of single-seaters on offer, our pick would be the 'on the button' March Formula 3 car in which Piercarlo Ghinzani won the 1977 European F3 Championship, estimated at £45,000-55,000. And for those looking to enter the world of historic motorsport for the first time, the rally-prepared 1965 Ford Cortina (£13,000-15,000) or Morris Mini Cooper S (£42,000-48,000), eligible for a host of events, might well appeal.

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