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[Jaguar Classic to build the nine lost XKSSs](#)

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Jaguar Classic's first major project after its recent rebranding will be to recreate the nine XKSS roadsters famously lost in the Browns Lane fire of 1957...

The million-pound garage queen



Like the [continuation Lightweight E-types announced in 2014](#), the reborn XKSSs will be hand-built to the exact same specification as those 'lost' in period. "The XKSS occupies a unique place in Jaguar's history and is a car coveted by collectors the world over for its exclusivity and unmistakable design," said Director of JLR Classic, Tim Hannig. "Jaguar Classic's highly skilled team of engineers and technicians will draw on decades of knowledge to ensure each of the nine cars is completely authentic and crafted to the highest quality." However, although the XKSS was originally conceived as a road-going tribute to the triple Le Mans-winning D-type, the £1m+ continuation cars will *not* be road legal. Owners would have to gain single type approval should they want them to be any more than garage queens – but we're sure they'll be snapped up by collectors regardless. Deliveries will commence in 2017, which will mark the 60th year since the Browns Lane fire.

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