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Sixty 911s among 430-car collection set to go under hammer in Italy

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Much like it did with Driven by Disruption in New York last November, RM Sotheby's is rounding off its year in inimitable style – by selling the largest automotive-themed private collection ever offered in Europe, comprising 750 cars, bikes, boats and even bobsleds...

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Coinciding with the [Milano AutoClassica](#) on 25, 26 and 27 November 2016, the multi-day 'Duemila Ruote' sale (which translates as '2000 wheels') will see RM Sotheby's offer more than 430 cars, 150 motorcycles, 60 boats and an abundance of automobilia, all without reserve – a move that's sure to pique the interest of collectors from across the globe.

It seems the collection's owner left no stone unturned in his quest for the ultimate fleet of, predominantly, performance cars. The roster includes comprehensive gatherings of single models – take the 60-odd Porsche 911s or the 21 Jaguar E-types, for example – as well as ultra-rare supercars such as the Maserati MC12, the Bugatti EB110 and the Ferrari F40. Spearheading the mammoth sale is an alloy-bodied Ferrari 275 GTB/6C, one of just nine of its type. Described as an 'Aladdin's cave', there are also motorcycles of all eras, historic Italian hydroplane racing boats, and numerous significant 'Tour de France' bicycles. Unlike the 'barn-find' Baillon Collection that Artcurial sold in early 2015, the collection has been maintained – so expect similar levels of hysteria when bidding gets underway in Milan.

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