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5 collector cars to put in your garage this week

Lead

Within the Classic Driver Market, there is a wide selection of über-rare, high-performance, exotic machinery, but as you'll see this week, amongst the exotica we have some friendly faces in our selection, from an obscure off-roading Fiat to a charming Citroën hatchback...

Prancing Horse prototype





If a 288 GTO isn't rare enough for you, this 1986 Ferrari 288 GTO is one of just six produced and one of only three remaining. Differentiated from standard production cars by its petrol tank configuration, this example was gifted to a very special Ferrari customer, the car's only owner, by Enzo Ferrari himself and was recently sent back to the mythical gates of Maranello for a recommissioning by the factory. Complete with Classiche certification and confirmation of the car's special past, this is a truly unique example of the 1980s poster-car hero.

Ami-go





This 1961 Citroën Ami 6 ticks all the boxes for the quirky car fan: first generation, fully restored, and only two owners from new. Finished in the perfect colour combination to allow those fantastically French yellow headlights to pop, the white with 'holly leaf' red interior finish is perfectly Parisian and sure to garner appreciative, if not slightly perplexed, looks wherever it goes — just make sure you're used to that single-spoke steering wheel before attempting your parallel parking.

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The Italian polizia may be famed for their current outrageous Lamborghini pursuit cars, but let's not forget that the Dutch police force had been utilising sports cars for the upholding of justice for decades. Remarkably, this 1986 Porsche 911 Carrera Targa has never been decommissioned and retains all its period features, including fully functioning lights and megaphone. It's sure to set you on the fast track to trouble from your local police force should you choose to live out your childish fantasies and operate the Carrera Targa in public, but then again, they would have to catch you first...

Perfect pairing





Timeless lines and iconic design will always help, but what truly elevates a vehicle from standard to special is the colour specification. A great one showcases the curves and creases and complements the personality of the car, while a bad one stifles and detracts from such. In the case of this 1971 Mercedes-Benz 600, the angelic white and radiant red combination lifts the car, and it was no doubt fitting of its first owner, a Baron no less. Fully restored to exacting standards, with the beautifully aged interior untouched, this example has recently taken in the roads of Monaco and the Côte d'Azur, where it no doubt looked right at home.

Dare to be door-less





Ever heard of Fiat's answer to the Mini Moke? Don't worry if not — Carrozzeria Savio in Turin built only 3,200 examples at the request of the great Gianni Agnelli, and this 1971 Fiat 600 Jungla, or 'Spiaggina', is one such

example. As with the British equivalent, don't expect it to be the most capable of off-roaders, but for stylish jaunts to the local café in the South of France, or a beachside barbeque in Ibiza, we can't think of a finer choice.

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