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5 collector cars to put in your garage this week

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Yet again, the Classic Driver Market has proven to be a true one-stop shop for all your automotive indulgences. From a rarer-than-rare rally hero to an Italian temptress and a one-off Prancing Horse, it's now up to you to choose which one should grace your garage...

For the chosen Frua





Not to discredit the flowing exterior of the 1966 Maserati 5000 GT by Frua, one of just three produced, but the interior on this coachbuilt curiosity is where the magic truly lies. Only the Italians could pull off this colour combination with such style — the cabin engulfed in brown deer suede, topped with toggle switches and glistening gold touches and paired with a slinky wood-rimmed wheel for that final touch. What's more, have you ever seen such a fantastic bonnet badge? Now in restoration, we would implore any interested parties to purchase this fine Frua and make sure that the interior remains to dazzle another day.

Big wing, bigger figures





A car that's stolen as many headlines as it has hearts — this 2017 Mercedes-Benz AMG GT R is on the shopping lists of collectors worldwide. Laden with technology and a claimed record-breaking 'Ring time under its belt, this example is, thankfully, not finished in the garish green of the launch cars but the stealthy Selenite Grey Metallic. Having covered only 35km, this example offers a chance to jump the waiting list and get behind the Alcantara steering wheel of a captivating mix of brains and brawn...

Showstopper





The 456 is a somewhat divisive model from Ferrari's back-catalogue, as it's not yet coveted by many enthusiasts and well-known for its somewhat uninspiring looks. This 1992 Ferrari 456 rebodied by SBarro is far removed from its understated donor car — and far removed from reality, for that matter. Built by the Swiss firm for watchmaker Franck Muller and unveiled at the 2005 Geneva Motor Show, this unique roadster is currently looking for a new owner — shy and retiring need not apply.

Twin-cam tearaway





If there is one modification guaranteed to take your humble drop-top from roadster to racer, it's a cut-down, aerodynamic windscreen. This 1959 MGA Twin-Cam Roadster has received such treatment, as well as other 'club-racer' touches, which, coupled with a most classic colour of Old English White, showcase the curves that had this British beauty turning heads worldwide from launch. Helmet, goggles, driving gloves, and scarf are not included but wholeheartedly encouraged...

Welcome to the Club





Sometimes, everything just comes together and something truly flawless is born. This 1992 Lancia Delta HF Integrale Club Italia Edition is a perfect case in point. Lord Blue paint, red leather Recaro seating, and 'Club Italia' script on the bulging bonnet and rear spoiler mark this box-arch beast as one of just 15 such special editions produced only for VIPs, and this example has covered just over 30,000km at the hands of one owner. With its yellow headlights contrasting with the demure paint job, this Lancia stands head and wide shoulders above the rest.

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