CLASSIC DRIVER

5 collector cars to put in your garage this week

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While we often try to find themes each week for our Market Finds list, we must say that this week's offerings may be one of our most random, but these cars are just too good to leave for another week without talking about...

Some Thing special





Much like Land Rovers and Jeeps, this 1974 Volkswagen Type 181 may have been originally envisaged to complete arduous military work, but in 2017, these quirky off-roaders make perfect vehicles for good, dirty fun. A hybrid of Beetle and Transporter mechanicals, powered by an ever-dependable air-cooled engine, there are few better cars to load up with friends, surfboards, and mischievous notions and hit the beach, trail, or even the street. Whichever you choose, this Sunshine Yellow oddity is sure to create smiles wherever it goes.

Dust dancer





Just as in the custom motorbike scene, in classic Porsche circles, a recent trend has seen off-road tyres, chunky suspension, and mud find their way onto the civilised 911. This 1978 Porsche 911 'Safari' started life as a humble G-series SC model, which was stripped, strengthened, and raised to make a monster 911, in homage to the great rally 911s of yesteryear. As the photos show, this creation is most at home tail-out in a field — although, we'd love to see it parked on a concours lawn next to the never-driven show cars and their shocked owners...

Lucky number 12





When the body of a car is as deliciously designed as this 2001 Ferrari 550 Barchetta, it is the duty of the first owner to choose the perfect colour to showcase each and every curve and crease. While the obvious Rosso Corsa would merely stifle the silhouette of this roadster, the Grigio Titanio paintwork perfectly highlights the gorgeous details of this example, the 12th of just 448 built. Having covered less than 3,500 kilometres from new, this V12 masterpiece is a cherished example of how a Ferrari roadster should be.

Wedge-shaped wonder





In a glorious tradition stemming from the DB4 GT Zagato, this <u>1989 Aston Martin V8 Zagato Volante</u> is a product of Aston Martin having their legendary coachbuilders re-clothe their latest and greatest model. The resulting crisp and angular body is continuing to age spectacularly, with its spaceship-like looks being complemented by a thunderous V8 engine to create an other-worldly package. In desirable left-hand drive, manual specification, this Anglo-Italian dream machine just needs a new, equally stylish, owner.

Sebring survivor





Any car can become showroom fresh, immaculate, and perfect in every respect, but the preservation of originality and the resulting battle scars, faded paint, and inimitable untouched interior separate the storied vehicles from the cookie-cutter restorations. This 1960 MGA Twin Cam, one of three 1960 MG Works Team Sebring Racers, placed

4th in class at the legendary American circuit in its birth year and was further campaigned until 1963. In 1967, marque expert Lyle York became custodian of the rakish racer and preserved the car in its unrepeatable condition, and it has remained unmolested to this day — a true survivor worthy of any collection.

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