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5 collector cars to put in your garage this week

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The Classic Driver Market is a melding pot of automotive eccentricity. And at Christmas, when the hustle, bustle, and endless shopping are taking their toll, we find its call stronger than ever. These are our five favourite additions to the Market this week...

Yay or nay?





There's perhaps no other style of car that divides opinion like a shooting brake, particularly those that have been converted by private companies and not built by their respective manufacturers. This 1998 Aston Martin V8 LWB Shooting Brake is one such example. It was converted from a convertible by the Swiss coachbuilder Roos Engineering and is, for want of a better word, interesting...

Fulvia speed ahead!



Any keen classic car enthusiast will tell you that the Lancia Fulvia is an incredibly dynamic and spritely little so and so. Especially the full-fat HF Fanalone models, which earned their stripes on the world's toughest rally special stages. This <u>freshly restored example from 1970</u> oozes character – it's as purposeful as it is pretty. Make Lancia Great Again!

A unique tribute





To celebrate its 70th anniversary in 2017, Ferrari built 70 bespoke cars from its current range in tribute to 70 significant models from its illustrious history. This <u>delivery mileage Ferrari GTC4Lusso Settanta</u>, for example, doffs its cap to a 250 Europa bodied by Vignale in 1953. Its gorgeous specification, including the Marrone paintwork and tastefully contrasting Vinaccia roof, is entirely unique to this car.

Not fooling anybody





To put it simply, the Jaguar XJR-15 is as near as makes no difference an XJR-9 Group C prototype for the road. Just 53 of these 450bhp V12 projectiles were built and, unbelievably, this particular example has covered just 52 miles in its entire life. Derek Warwick, Vern Schuppan, and the Sultan of Brunei were original XJR-15 owners – who wouldn't want their name added to such an esteemed list?

Delightful De Tomaso





The De Tomaso Longchamp is a seriously rare car, particularly in the desirable GTS specification, of which this ultra-low-mileage example is one Just 409 Longchamps were built between 1972 and 1989, despite the fact it was a genuinely interesting alternative to saloons such as the Maserati Quattroporte. To find one in such fabulous condition is a real treat.

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