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5 collector cars to put in your garage this week

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A new decade begins, but one thing remains the same - the Classic Driver Market will always be stocked with an exquisite and diverse selection of collector cars. These are our favourites from this week...

A beautiful bookend





The success of the Prodrive-built 550 Maranello GTS prompted Ferrari to throw its hat into the ring and build a racing version of the 575M. Developed in collaboration with N. Technology, the 575 GTC proved successful in sports-car racing series across the globe, in spite of the fact it was offered to gentleman drivers and never officially run by the Works. This example contested the Italian GT Championship in 2005 in the hands of its owner, the Czech media mogul Antonin Herbeck, and the Italian ex-F1 star Andrea Montermini, scoring several notable results. Perhaps more importantly, being the last of the 12 GTCs built it is also the final V12-powered Ferrari racing car ever built.

The Ferrarina



The ASA 1000 GT wouldn't have come to be if it weren't for Enzo Ferrari's savvy idea to create a small-capacity sports car to boost the revenue stream. Ferrari built a prototype and, although the Modenese marque never took up the project, ASA was formed to build and sell it. It was even nicknamed the Ferrarina – there was no way Il Commendatore would allow such a car to officially bear his hallowed name. How gorgeous is this restored green example currently for sale in Italy?

Murci Murci Me



The plaque between the huge carbon-fibre bucket seats in this low-mileage bright-yellow Lamborghini Murciélago might suggest that the car is one of 350 built, but it's actually believed that only 186 of the ultimate-spec LP670-4 SVs ever saw the light of day, making it a very rare beast indeed. Imported to the UK from Florida in 2013 and showing just 3,630 miles on the clock, this 2009 model is a sure-fire way of attracting attention wherever you go - it's hilariously over the top, just as a proper Lambo should be.

Monaco or bust!



Can there be a greater thrill in historic motorsport than racing a single-seater around the dauntingly narrow streets of Monte-Carlo during the Grand Prix de Monaco Historique? The prestigious event falls once again in 2020 and if you haven't secured your entry yet, we've got just the car for you:

a Surtees TS9B that was raced by both John Surtees himself and Mike 'The Bike' Hailwood in the 1971 and '72 Formula 1 seasons. In finishing a remarkable second place at Monza in 1972, Hailwood secured the Surtees team its best-ever finish. A regular frontrunner at the Grand Prix de Monaco Historique, the four-owner Grand Prix car is now looking for a new custodian to write continue its story into the 2020s.

Green with envy



Yes, it's another front-engined V12-powered Ferrari, but the specification of this F12 Berlinetta is too good for us not to include it in this list. Configured through Ferrari's Tailor Made programme and carrying an original list price of £335,000, the Verde Scuro Grand Tourer boasts an impossibly tasteful cream and chocolate-coloured leather interior and features a long list of special options including green-tinted carbon-fibre all around, body-coloured accents on the wheels and a carbon-fibre engine bay signed by Fernando Alonso, Felipe Massa and Luca di Montezemolo. What's more, the car has covered just 900 miles from new. A piece for the most discerning of Ferrari collectors? We think so.

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