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Historics Auctioneers is back with a bang

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On 18 July, Historics Auctioneers will hold its first post-Covid collector car auction at the picturesque Windsorview Lakes in Datchet, England – a venue suitably sized for social distancing and the safety of both Historics' staff and bidders alike. Welcome to the new normal, folks...

Historics has joined the long list of auction houses adapting to the new post-coronavirus normal. However, while online and telephone bidding will be available, the collector car sale poised to take place on 18 July will take place at a physical venue: Windsorview Lakes in Datchet, just west of London. We're told that the scenic location is expansive enough to stage the saleroom itself and all 59 cars due to be sold at a safe, social distance for all involved. Well done to everybody at Historics for pulling this one off so soon. The catalogue looks to be a wonderfully diverse assembly, typical of the Surrey-based auction house.





From affordable modern classics including a tidy 2003 Porsche 996 Carrera 4S Cabriolet that shows just 70,000 miles on the clock (est. £21,000–25,000) and a 2004 Mercedes-Benz SL55 AMG fitted with the rare F1 Performance Package inspired by the official Formula 1 safety car (£23,000–30,000) to a fun-loving Austin Mini Moke that would be perfect for making the most of the post-lockdown summer. Two special cars caught our eye at the sharp end of the catalogue: the 1989 Aston Martin V8 Vantage X-Pack finished in Chichester Blue over Magnolia hide (£280,000–320,000) and the 2012 Spyker C8 Laviolette LM85, one of just 24 hardcore special editions built to commemorate the historic Dutch brand's involvement in the 24 Hours of Le Mans in 2002.



Our favourite lot of them all, however, has to be the Morning Frost 2007 Aston Martin Vanquish S, which was ordered new by the then CEO of Aston Ulrich Bez and featured in many popular magazines. It's estimated to make £110,000–130,000. You can find our 10 highlights from the sale listed below or, alternatively, browse the entire catalogue for Historics Auctioneers' Windsorview Lakes auction in the Classic Driver Market.

Our 10 favourites from Historics Auctioneers on 18 July

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