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5 collector cars to put into your garage this week

LeadIt's Thursday so that can only mean one thing: it's time for this week's Market Finds! We've got two polar-opposite Italians, a couple of German icons, and suave Brit to round it all off. Take a look below

Drop-top with box-flares





The E30 M3 was one of those pivotal moments in the history of a manufacturer, a car so good that it overshadows almost every subsequent model to come from BMW. Equally overshadowed by the E30 M3's excellence was the M3 Cabrio, a car that we had almost forgotten existed. However, looking at this 1988 example from the Collectables, it's arguably even more desirable than the hard top - after all, where else can you find a convertible with box-flares, and even those gorgeous multi-spoke Alpina wheels. As one of just 786 M3 Cabrios built, this is a rare beast indeed, so if you're looking for the perfect open-top 80s cruiser, it's safe to say your search has come to an end.

Rennsport Racing Genesis





The RSR badge has come to be one of the most revered in the world of motorsport, and this 1973 RSR 2.8 for sale with Historic Cars was the first to bear the name. Short for RennSport Racing', the RSR 2.8 took the 911 Carrera RS 2.7 as a base and turned up the rage in line with the more lenient Group 4 regulations of its day. This car, chassis number 0960, took part in no less than four consecutive 24 Hours of Le Mans, and still bears the Charlots livery that it wore to the 1973 Tour de France Automobile. Currently in 3.0L RSR Tour Auto configuration, this car has been fastidiously prepared and maintained by Crubile Sport and is ready to take to the track once more.

Ageing gracefully





We can't be alone in thinking that cars from the late 90s and early 2000s are looking better every year, and this 2001 Aston Martin DB7 is no exception. For a twenty year old car, the odometer reading of just over 10,000 kilometres is a rare sight indeed, and this DB7's superb condition is certainly a reflection of that. Finished in Solent Silver over a Parchment and Pacific blue hide interior, topped off with flashes of Burr Walnut, this is perhaps the perfect combination for a subtle grand tourer. What's more, this DB7 pairs it's 420hp V12 with a manual transmission, an increasingly scarce combination in 2021. If you're more of a Sean Connery than a Tom Cruise, then this could be the GT for you.

La vita sinistra





When Ferrari launched the Roma they proclaimed it was the start of the "La Nuova Dolce Vita". Well, Novitec clearly didn't get the memo, because this 2021 Roma seems to have swapped sweet for sinister with it's perfectly menacing combination of Nero Daytona paint with a Giallo Modena bonnet stripe. Just over 4,000 kilometres on the clock mean this Roma has only just been run-in, and its now ready to terrorise some mountain passes. However, with 612 horses emanating from it's front-mid-engined twin-turbo V8, people might just start to think a monster is lurking around your local switchbacks.

Squared to perfection





cars were designed with a ruler. For sale with Ruote Da Sogno for just €26,000, and with just over 50,000 kilometres under its belt, it's almost inconceivable that you could top this Maserati in terms of style for the price. Even better is the fact that this BiTurbo has recently undergone a full engine overhaul, meaning that you should enjoy a few more months of breakdown-free motoring than the average 80s Italian car owner.

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