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5 collector cars to put into your garage this week

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This week we're throwing a white party for Market Finds, so take a look below and you'll find — you guessed it — five white classics straight from the 80s that deserve a parking spot in your garage!

Built like a tank, rides like a cloud



The R107-generation Mercedes SL is arguably one of the safest ownership propositions in the classic car world. Nicknamed the “panzerwagen” during development for its tank-like construction, these rock-solid Mercs are not only reliable, but they also look fantastic. [This 1988 560SL](#) boasts one of the most powerful engines offered for this generation of SL and, being one of the later cars, it also benefits from a more rust-resistant galvanised body. With a hair over 20,000 miles on the odometer, this concours-condition 560SL should provide the next owner with many more years of care-free cruises.

Uno crazy Fiat



This hopped-up hatch back, ladies and gents, is a [1985 Fiat Uno Turbo i.e. Group A](#), and doesn't it look mega in this Totip livery? While Unos aren't exactly feared by other rallyists for their enormous power outputs, this little rally rocket's 160hp in-line four cylinder firecracker should provide more than sufficient shove for its meagre 885kg kerb weight. With construction completed by Abarth back in the day, this Uno managed to finish an impressive third overall in the 1986 Rallye du Portugal. Having recently been fully restored, this box of joy is available with Daniele Turrise and will be stunning onlookers this weekend at Fuori Concorso Turbo.

Peruvian snow leopard



If you've decided it's time to embrace the 80s, then why not go all-out and make this cocaine-spec [1988 Jaguar XJ-SC](#) your next daily? Finished in Tudor White with an Iris Blue leather interior and matching blue mohair top, this big cat thankfully hasn't done big mileage with just 30,000 miles on the clock. Fitted with a Tom Walkinshaw Racing bodykit, this XJS could be the perfect V12 chariot to carry you home after a lovely dinner you "accidentally" neglected to pay for. Those worrying about maintaining this Jag will be reassured by the 31 years worth of MOT certificates that accompany the car, so if you need some grace, space, and pace in your life, then contact DD Classics.

Straked and slanted



If your main problem with the 930-generation Porsche 911 Turbo is not the notoriously-spikey handling, but rather the fact it doesn't look enough like a Ferrari Testarossa, then look this way! This pearl white with brown leather [1980 Rinspeed 969](#) is as 80s as they come and would put up a fair fight in a wedge-off against the aforementioned Ferrari. With a healthy 69,600 miles under its belt, this Porsche has been steadily enjoyed over the years and boasts an extensive Porsche main dealer service history. If you're looking for something truly unique to stump everyone at your next local Porsche meet, then Hexagon Classics have you covered.

White or red? Why not both!



This is a [1981 Ferrari 400i](#), but it's not just any 400i, because as you may have noticed, the roof is missing. That's because this Fezza was customised by California-based [Hexagon Classics](#). \\[page\\]

coachbuilder, Richard Straman, who specialised in decapitating many of Ferrari’s greats, including the Testarossa and 512 BBi. As number 12 of just 23 made in total, this white over bordeaux beauty is unlikely to see any doppelgängers on the road. With just under 40,000 miles on the clock, this 400i looks to be in beautiful condition, so if you’re looking for a drop-top cruiser with some Italian flair, this could be the Prancing Horse for you.

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