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5 collector cars to put into your garage this week

Lead

Another week has passed and the stream of drop-dead gorgeous collector cars flowing through the Classic Driver Market isn't showing any sign of slowing. Here are the five that caught our eye this week.

Low-drag queen



If you only glanced at this [2014 VW XL1](#)'s spec sheet, you'd probably fall asleep. A 75 horsepower Volkswagen with a 0-60 mph time of 11.9 seconds isn't going to get anyone's heart racing. However, read on and you'd discover that it has a carbon monocoque, forged magnesium rims, butterfly doors, weighs a scant 795kg, and that only 250 were ever made. Perhaps now you're interested? Finished in Clearwater Blue metallic, this gorgeous low-drag hyper-miler looks as though it was revealed yesterday, not at the 2011 Qatar Motor Show, which proves that good design doesn't age. It's also practically brand new, with under 6,000 miles on the odometer. While it won't set your hair on fire in a straight line, the idea of using less than 1 litre of fuel per 100km in today's world is almost as exciting. So, if you want something as gorgeous as it is frugal, then the XL1 could be for you.

Lucky charm



Anyone who's had a run of misfortune recently should seriously consider this [1972 Alfa Romeo 2000 GT Veloce](#), after all, what's luckier than a four leaf clover? Finished in Grigio Chairò Metallic with a Gloss Nero roof, this Alfa seems to be in fantastic condition, and having covered 55,789 miles, it has seen relatively little use too considering its age. Even more tempting is the fact that this Alfa has had a huge amount of performance upgrades thrown at it, including Bilstein shocks, a GTA exhaust manifold and GTA-style magnesium wheels, as well as a whole host of engine modifications, resulting in what we're certain is a very fun, very fast road car. If you needed any more convincing, then this car's previous ownership period of over 35 years should be a testament to how rewarding of a drive it is, so what are you waiting for?

PTS grand slam



Of all the colours in the PTS catalogue, Wimbledon Green has to be up there in our top five favourites. So, when we saw this [1993 Porsche 911 Carrera Cabriolet](#) it was love at first sight. This 964 may not be manual, but we'd argue that if you're looking at Cabriolets then ultimate driver engagement might not be your top priority, so this Tiptronic-equipped drop top could be your perfect summer cruiser. That said, with a 250hp flat six, this 911 won't be a slouch, and while you won't be rowing through the gears, you will still be able to enjoy that six cylinder howl and the wind in your hair. This example has 185,000 km on the clock, so expect signs of use, although honestly we'd be too lost in that gorgeous paintwork to care.

Stars and tailpipes



Behold, a [2021 Mercedes AMG GT Black Series](#), and the Project 1 Edition no less. This has to be one of the most intimidating road cars we've ever seen, largely due to the size of that tectonically-huge biplane rear wing. There are less than 25 RHD Project 1 Editions in the world, partly because only Project 1 Owners were invited to order this very special edition of the AMG GT Black Series. Painted to mimic the livery of the 2021 Constructors' Championship-winning Mercedes W12 F1 car, this flat-plane-crank V8 beast is as close as you can get to a GT3 car with number plates. Capable of lapping the Nurburgring in a startlingly rapid 6 minutes and 46 seconds, if you want to blow your track day competition out the water, this is the perfect tool for the job.

Pretty penny





Every time we see a BMW 507 we go weak at the knees, and that's especially true in the case of this [stunning silver example from 1958](#). Unfortunately, catching a glimpse of one of these stunning roadsters is a rare pleasure, and that's because these are very rare cars indeed. Handcrafted by BMW at great expense, the 507 almost bankrupted the company, despite selling for the equivalent of \$100,000 back in the 50s. In the end, just 254 of these stunning Count Albrecht von Goertz-designed BMWs left the factory, and now chassis 70110 could be yours. If you have the funds, then you owe it to your eyeballs to add this beauty to your collection.

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