

# CLASSIC DRIVER

## [Coys Auction at Essen Techno Classica, 13 April: Barn-find to beauty queen](#)

### **Lead**

Visitors to this year's Essen Techno Classica exhibition would be well advised to pop into the Coys auction area. Over 70 motor cars will be offered, many at 'No Reserve', and the catalogue includes some fine entries from Aston Martin, Jaguar, Ferrari and, of course, given the location, Porsche...

One of the highlights is this Ruby Red 1956 Porsche 356A Speedster (EUR 150,000 - 170,000, above), a well-presented car with a Porsche Factory letter of authenticity. It's joined by no fewer than 10 other Porsches, including an older, 'Pre-A' Speedster in silver. The 1955 car, shown below, is estimated at EUR 170,000 - 200,000.

Enthusiasts for open-air motoring in the Stuttgart marque will also be interested in the 1997 Porsche 911 (993) Cabriolet, a car carrying the more accessible estimate of EUR 29,000 - 35,000.





On the Italian front, Coys will offer a varied selection of cars from the immediate post-War period (the EUR 320,000 - 365,000, 1948 Alfa Romeo 2500 SS 'Villa d'Este') to a 2004 Maserati Ghibli GT (EUR 8,000 - 12,000). We like the single-mirror (*monospecchio*) 1985 Ferrari Testarossa, for EUR 45,000 - 55,000, and also recommend having a good look at the rare Cisitalia 303 F coupé.

The car (above right) was built in 1952 and is estimated at EUR 75,000 - 85,000 - a good price for such a rare, and events-eligible machine. Mille Miglia 2014, here we come!





Other favourites in the Classic Driver office include the 1971 Mercedes-Benz 280 S 3.5 Saloon (EUR 16,000 - 20,000), the 1978 Lamborghini Urraco (EUR 27,000 - 35,000) and the short-wheelbase, EUR 140,000 - 170,000, 1956 Alfa Romeo 1900 CSS Touring Series 3.

For something completely different, and an unusual potential Mille Miglia entry, there's the 1953 SIATA GILCO 750 'Siluro'. Estimated at EUR 70,000 - 85,000, the car (above) is a typical small-capacity racing car from the early post-War years.

Finally, how about a punt on the 'barn-find' 1970 Iso Lele, shown below? It's at 'No Reserve', so you know the score - last man standing gets the car... and a bit of work to do over the summer.



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