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## [Our last-minute highlights from the Monaco auctions](#)

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As well as being one of the most stylish places on earth, Monaco is also something of an automotive mecca for enthusiasts – so where better to hold a high-end car auction? This weekend, Coys and RM will do just that, and we've selected our last-minute favourites from each sale...

### Coys 'Legende et Passion', 9 May 2014



The [Coys 'Legende et Passion' auction, taking place on Friday 9 May](#), offers a varied delicatessen of treats – from an [Abarth recovery truck](#) to a [Monaco-built supercar](#). But our collective eye was caught by the [1950 Cisitalia Abarth 204 A Spider](#), which not only has Targa Florio and Mille Miglia provenance but can, we're told, also claim to be the last car driven in anger by Tazio Nuvolari before his retirement.

Elsewhere, the auction sees some familiar mid-90s supercars in some less-than-common guises: a [1994 Lamborghini Diablo SE 30th Anniversario](#), and a [1995 Porsche 911 \(993\) Turbo](#) resplendent in 'Indian Red', a cousin of the iconic Guards Red colour.

### RM Auctions, 10 May 2014



Among the slew of Italian machinery headlining [RM's 10 May auction](#) is a [1967 Ferrari Dino 206 S Spider](#), being offered publicly for the first time. It's one of only 18 of the high-revving, V6-engined sports cars – built primarily for gentleman drivers – and is thought to be the only one given a larger engine, 312 P-style bodywork and a 312 F1 gearbox by the factory at a later date. For those who prefer their racing machines a little younger (and a *lot* faster), there's also a [pair of Group C racers](#) to choose from.

In terms of road machines, the [1955 Lancia Aurelia B24S Spider America by Pinin Farina](#) is not only the rarest, but also the prettiest roofless derivative of the [Aurelia](#) – just look at that wraparound windscreen, or the shallow doors uninterrupted by the presence of exterior handles. Meanwhile, our award for the most striking paintwork is only snatched from the [Lime Green De Tomaso Mangusta](#) by the [Bugatti EB110 GT](#), which wears a sombre dark green that masks its ballistic character.

### Our six favourites from the Coys and RM Monaco auctions

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