

# CLASSIC DRIVER

## [Jaguar restarts D-type production after 62 years](#)

### Lead

Jaguar just won't let sleeping cats lie - following the success of its previous continuation models, it will restart production of the legendary D-type, 62 years after the final car left the factory...

### Third time silly?



In 2014, it set about building the [six 'missing' E-type Lightweights](#) and in 2017, it announced that it would construct [nine XKSSs](#). But now Jaguar has leapt several steps further by revealing that it will build a whopping 25 'new' D-types, in order to fulfil the factory's original ambition of 100 cars. As with the previous 'continuation' cars, every last detail of the Le Mans-winning model will be faithfully recreated and hand-built at Jaguar Classic Works in Warwickshire. Either Shortnose or Longnose body configurations are available, though neither will be road legal (at least not without a persuasive single-type vehicle approval application). The first engineering prototype will be shown at Rétromobile in Paris this week. While we've no doubt Jaguar will sell the 25 cars in a heartbeat, we can't help but feel it's pushing its luck a little now - we'll watch with great interest to see how the classic car world reacts to this news.

*Photos: Jaguar Land Rover Classic*

### Gallery

















