# **CLASSIC DRIVER**

# Don't miss these 10 major classic car events in 2020

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While the number of great and small automotive events continues to rise in line with the increasing global interest in classic cars, there are no circumstances under which we'd miss any of the following major occasions in the coming year...

#### The Ice St Moritz / 29 February



Millions of euros' worth of collector cars and their owners having a blast on the frozen lake of St. Moritz - what's not to love about The International Concours of Elegance, or The Ice for short? Following the inaugural edition in 2019, this year's affair promises to be bigger, bolder and even more boisterous.

### Goodwood Members' Meeting / 28-29 March



In just five short years, the Goodwood Members' Meeting has established itself as the historic racing world's premier season-opener, finding favour with its reduced crowding, access-all-areas admission and astonishing selection of cars. At the 78th edition in April, there will be a high-speed demonstration of Tom Walkinshaw's evocative Jaguar Group C and IMSA prototypes.

#### Tour Auto / 20-25 April



Any serious historic racer will attest that the Tour Auto Optic 1000 is the ultimate on-the-road test of man and historic machine. A breathless, weeklong road rally that harks back to the original and infamous Tour de France Automobile, the Tour Auto always attracts an exquisite selection of racing thoroughbreds and the most talented faces from the historic racing world to tame them.

#### Monaco Historic GP / 8-10 May



If you happen to be slumming it on a yacht in the harbour of Monte-Carlo from 8–10 May, you'll be woken by quite possibly the best alarm clock on earth: some 300 Grand Prix cars – from pre-War voiturettes to colourful high-airbox machines from the 1970s – slowly being brought to life to take part in the Grand Prix de Monaco Historique.

#### Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este / 22-24 May



There is nowhere else on earth where you'll be overwhelmed by sheer automotive, environmental and human beauty than you will be at the Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este on the glistening shores of Lake Como in Italy. At 2020's edition, there will be special classes for 1990s hypercars and endurance racing cars from the 1960s to the 1980s.

#### Fuoriconcorso / 23-24 May



The theme for the third Fuoriconcorso, poised to be held during the Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este weekend at the neighbouring Villa del Grumello, might not have yet been revealed, but you can be sure of one thing: Guglielmo Miani and his team will throw a hell of a party. If Fuoriconcorso signals the future of concours d'elegance events, then it's a future we can definitely get behind.

# Le Mans Classic / 3-5 July



Every two years, the historic motorsport world descends on the hallowed Circuit de la Sarthe for the Le Mans Classic, arguably our favourite event in the calendar. The racing, appropriately, lasts for 24 hours and is divided up into six grids comprising cars from different eras of the world's most famous endurance race. Throw in a support race for Group C cars and a bumper demonstration of modern endurance legends and you've got a weekend of unadulterated motorsport thrills.



There is so much more to Monterey Car Week than the 'Best of Show' winner at the prestigious Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. From the intimate Concours on the Avenue in Carmel to the downright hilarious Concours d'Lemons, a trip to the Monterey peninsula in August should be on the bucket list of every serious classic car enthusiast.

# Goodwood Revival / 11-13 September



What's there to say about the Goodwood Revival that's not been said before? Once a year, the picturesque West Sussex circuit hosts the world's finest historic motorsport meeting. And while the quality of the action on the track is as good as you'll find anywhere, it's the countless period spectacles away from it that's the Revival's trump card.

#### Journées d'Automne / TBC



Outstanding food and wine, locations that slap you around the face with their beauty and a selection of automotive treasures that will have you yearning to own an old car, Journées d'Automne in the Champagne region of France is a fantastic weekend of casual classic motoring.

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