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5 collector cars to put into your garage this week

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The ever-reliable Classic Driver Market has continued to produce automotive gems in abundance. Check out our five favourite collector cars this week below!



The virtues of Verde Medio

It's not often that Alfa Romeo produces a supercar, but when it does they are invariably cars of immense beauty, and this 1972 Alfa Romeo Montreal is no exception. The recently refreshed Verde Medio paint job perfectly suits this stunning Italian's flowing bodywork, while the 2.6-litre V8 provides a soundtrack to match the attractive exterior. Everything from the NACA duct on the bonnet, to the glistening multispoke rims, to those iconic hooded headlights have us dreaming of a long summer's drive in this Alfa. If you have the means, we strongly recommend you turn that dream into a reality for yourself.

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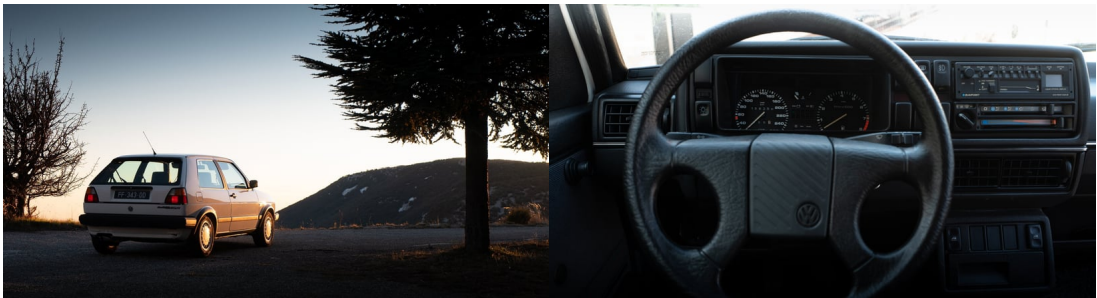




The last great snake

It may no longer be in production, but this V10-equipped Viper SRT GTS still looks as fresh today as it did when it rolled off the production line in 2013. Truly, time has only made the idea of owning of Dodge’s American supercar even sweeter; where else will you find a car with 10 cylinders connected to a manual gearbox in today’s landscape of dual clutch transmissions and hybrid powertrains? This Adrenaline Red Viper may be the last of an extinct breed, but that should only serve as more of an incentive to add one to your collection, before those in the know hoard the lot for themselves.

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Sequel syndrome

Creating a follow-up to the Mk 1 Golf GTI can’t have been an easy task, after all, it practically created the hot hatch genre based on its accessibility, goods looks, and fine handling. The Mk 2 was a more mature proposition, but that didn’t mean it was any less fun, and this 1988 Golf GTI 16s is arguably the one to go for. That’s because, following an early 16 valve head for the Mk 1 designed by famed VW tuners Oettinger, VW itself decided to equip their hot hatch icon with a 16 valve head of their own, pushing power to 139 horses and dropping the 0-60 time under 8 seconds. This fabulous example also features the all-important tartan fabric seats and shows under 100,000 miles on the clock, meaning it has plenty of fun left in the tank for its next owner.

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F40 BLU

We often find ourselves thinking what a shame it is that so many Ferraris left Maranello finished in red. Don't get us wrong, we love a scarlet supercar as much as the next guy, but when we see examples like this famous blue F40, we can't help but feel a bit giddy. Many will recognise this car from Instagram, where it has become something of a celebrity during its ownership by photographer, YouTube, and podcast host Sam Moores. Originally finished in Rosso Corsa, it was transformed by the wizards at Carrozzeria Zanasi, who treated it to a total restoration and a repaint in the shade of blue you see here. Now showing just 16,690 miles, this F40 is the perfect example to use and enjoy.

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Mezger mania

Anyone who’s been reading Classic Driver regularly will know that I’m more than a little partial to a 996 GT3, so the sight of this race-winning GT3 Cup car basically left me in cold sweats, trying to cajole my colleague Elliot into a hastily-concocted bank heist. Alas, potential jail time clashes somewhat with our editorial schedule, and therefore the next best thing is to convince one of our dear readers to add it to their collection. Finished in its rather dapper 2005 SCCA World Challenge ‘Applied Materials’ livery, this GT3 Cup proved to be quite the weapon on track, taking pole position and a GT class win at the 2005 Daytona 24 Hours as one of its four total wins in the 2004 and 2005 SCCA World Challenge. The combination of that sonorous GT1-derived Mezger flat six with those fetching yellow headlights has left this editor utterly smitten, so please someone take it for yourself before I do something foolish.

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