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t last, those lingering worries can be put to bed. I won't lie and say to you that at no point in the last year have I lay awake at night, wrought with the thought that Porsche are about to ruin the coveted 911 for the sake of improved MPG with the second-generation 991. I have.

As you'll recall from my notes at the beginning of issue 132, a trip to the Frankfurt Motor Show in September eased my anxieties somewhat. The facts and figures presented at the new turbocharged Carrera's launch were as encouraging as they were impressive. Of course, there's no substitute for a stint at the wheel when deciding on the fate of a new car – particularly one as significantly different as this – and the topography of Tenerife provided a thrilling environment for **Total 911** to put the 991.2 Carrera through its first paces en route to delivering you the only verdict that matters.

As you'll discover on page 24, our man Kyle Fortune – expert road tester and 911 owner, no less – found favour with the new Carrera's characteristics. Sure, there are elements

"Porsche has again produced a sports car that moves the game on" to that revolutionary new flat six engine that ensures the 911 has, in some ways, changed forever, but we're all relieved to learn that, overall, Porsche's engineers have again produced a scintillating sports car that moves the game on once more. We need never have doubted them.

This is also the issue where we reveal the winners of the inaugural **Total 911 Awards** (incase you haven't yet seen the results via **Total911.com**, of course). Our report and pictures from a spectacular occasion can be found beginning on page ten, and I'm pleased to say we're already working hard on the 2016 event – where there will be additional seats made available for more readers to attend what has already become the highlight of the calendar year.

Lastly, I'd like to dedicate this issue of **Total 911** to the memory of Karen Walker. There's a long-standing truism in the worldwide Porsche community that, as great as the cars are, it's the people that shape our experiences in the company of these brilliant machines. That rings especially true here and our thoughts are with our friend Magnus at this time.



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# Update TES. STAR PRODUCTS & RACE RESULTS FROM THE WORLD OF PORSCHE



# Porsche 911 R prototype spotted in testing

First glimpses of new 'purists' Porsche snapped by **Total 911** spies

Just last issue we brought you news of rumours suggesting that Porsche was going to build a modern day 911 R. Now those rumours appear to have been validated as Total 911's spies snapped what looks like a 911 R prototype out testing on the roads in Germany.

While this test mule may appear to be a de-winged 991 GT3 (complete with first generation brake lights), there are a few clues that suggest this prototype is actually something much more exciting. At the rear, the standard GT3 decklid has been replaced with the classically styled design from the 991 Carrera GTS, while the lack of any rear spoiler follows the rumours that the 911 R will be a 'back to basics' car, focussing more on driver involvement and enjoyment rather than pure speed and grip.

Countering this slightly is the revised rear bumper, which appears to feature small downward fins, creating a pseudo diffuser. Whether these are functional or purely for styling purposes is unknown, however, it seems unlikely that such a feature will be seen on the production 991 R when it is given its official public debut at the 2016 Geneva Motor Show in March. Despite this, there have been suggestions that the 'R' could be fitted with some form of ducktail (although, as this is already part of the Sport Design kit, it seems more likely that any rear spoiler will be offered as an optional extra rather than as standard).

Running ostensibly on the current GT3 platform, this prototype corroborates the view that the new Porsche 911 R will be powered by the high-revving, 475hp version of the 9A1 flat six engine. This was confirmed by Total 911 spies who heard the car's engine running while shooting these photos. Unlike the GT3 though, the 911 R's engine will be mated to a manual gearbox (something that could find its way onto the second generation 991 GT3 as an option).

Inside the 911 R test mule, Porsche's proprietary simple roll cage (a feature on many pre-production prototypes) can be seen, suggesting that it won't be long until we see a similar car hacking around the Nürburgring Nordschleife. We will bring you all the latest news, as it breaks, on Total911.com.









## 2015 fourth quarter auction round up

Surprising sales of Porsche 911s at Silverstone with RM set to shine in New York

Auctions, saw some surprising results, but none more so than the £173,250 achieved by Porsche 911 '50', a car built by Porsche Central Operations as part of the Porsche GB restoration competition held to celebrate 50 years of the 911.

Starting life as a 1977 Porsche 911, the car had been extensively rebuilt, with the team of Porsche technicians turning the 911 into a 2.7 RS replica with a few choice modifications (such as a 993 engine). Listed with an estimate of £125,000-£150,000, the 911 '50' bucked the

The 2015 Porsche Sale, hosted by Silverstone trend for tuned Neunelfers, exceeding its upper guide price by over 15 per cent. Elsewhere at the sale, a 1989 Porsche 930 SE finished in Baltic blue metallic realised £165.940 (just under its top estimate of £170,000) as a similar car from 1985 - originally used as the UK press car - failed to find a buyer. Traditionally fronted 911 Turbos also fared well under Silverstone's hammer, with a 1981 930 3.3 restored by Porsche Centre Leeds topping out at £118,125, over £3,000 above its guide price.

> At RM Sotheby's upcoming auction in New York, an even earlier Porsche 930 will go

under the hammer. Consigned to the 'Driven by Disruption' sale, the 1975 911 Turbo is car number 163 of the 284 built during the first year of production. The whaletail-ed car, finished in Copper brown metallic, will be offered without a reserve and will be joined by a 2.7 Carrera RS Touring, immaculately restored by renowned Porsche expert Kevin Jeannette. The undoubted Porsche star of the sale will be Janis Joplin's 1964 356C 1,600 SC Cabriolet however. Recently returned to its famously psychedelic livery, expect this 911 forerunner to go for big money in the Big Apple.

### Porsche fully on course for record-breaking 2015

911 sales on the up as Porsche SE reveals group profit for Q1-3

Despite the imminent generation change, the first generation Porsche 991 platform has continued to enjoy strong sales in 2015, with Zuffenhausen announcing that 27,281 new 911s have been delivered worldwide between January and October this year. This marks a seven per cent increase over the same period in 2014 and will no doubt be bettered in 2016 with the introduction of the 991.2 - the first of which are due in showrooms from December.

The news came as Porsche announced another record-breaking year of sales across the board, with the Stuttgart car maker only needing ten months of 2015 to break its delivery record (set last year). From January to October, Porsche has delivered 191,784 cars - a 26.6 per cent improvement compared to last year's figures.

After parent company Volkswagen's diesel emissions crisis, the figures have helped to buoy the group as Porsche SE (the holding company that indirectly owns Porsche AG) announced a group profit of €1.19 billion through quarters one to three of 2015. Despite the downturned forecast (from €2.8-3.8 billion) in the wake of the scandal, Porsche SE is still expecting to make a group profit of between €0.8 billion and €1.8 billion by the end of the year.



#### New CEO for Porsche Cars North America

#### Latest Carrera slot cars released



# Total 911 Awards 2015

Eleven accolades presented at **Total 911** magazine's lavish inaugural ceremony to reward excellence in the Porsche industry

October was the month when **Total 911** magazine hosted its inaugural Awards evening with a lavish ceremony at the home of Hexagon Modern Classics, London, in what was a night to remember for the entire Porsche industry.

More than 150 specially-invited guests travelled from around the globe to watch 11 prestigious awards be given out to deserving winners who practice excellence in their work. The Awards ceremony took place in a breathtaking environment among a backdrop of some of the world's finest Porsche exotica, from the early 1964 901 Cabriolet prototype (cover star of our ten-year-anniversary issue 130) right up to the 2015 991 GT3 RS – complete with only delivery miles on the clock. Guests were also treated to a live Q&A session with current Le Mans winner Nick Tandy taking to the stage, before handing over to motorsport presenter and Porsche aficionado Henry Hope-Frost to conduct the all-important Awards ceremony.

With the main event under way, the winner of each esteemed category was called onto the stage individually to rapturous applause at the black tie event to collect their accolade, which was the culmination of a two-stage voting process for ten of the 11 awards. First, members of the public could enter the name of their desired winner via the online voting form at www.total911.com/awards, with all

votes frozen at midnight exactly one month before the awards evening. Then, it was down to a judging panel consisting of the **Total 911** editorial team and the magazine's 'Living the Legend' contributors to choose a winner from the top five public nominations in each category, with the winners kept secret until the ceremony. The final award, for Editor's Choice, was independent of this process, with **Total 911**'s editor personally deciding the winner.

Meanwhile, guests also managed to raise £880 on the night for Great Ormond Street Hospital thanks to a raffle of an exclusive luggage set, supplied by Porsche Design, in an event deemed a resounding success by **Total 911** magazine's editor, Lee Sibley.

"To have so many representatives from right across the international Porsche spectrum under one roof made for a very special occasion, and I'm delighted for the winners of our prestigious awards who have rightly had their year-round hard work recognised," he said. "Already, we look forward to the 2016 Awards for what will be the night to look forward to each and every year for the Porsche industry."

**Total 911** magazine would like to place on record its thanks to Awards partners Hexagon Modern Classics, JZM, Porsche Design, Porsche Cars Great Britain, Porsche Club Great Britain, and Poole Accident Repair for their support in creating a thrilling event for the entire Porsche industry.

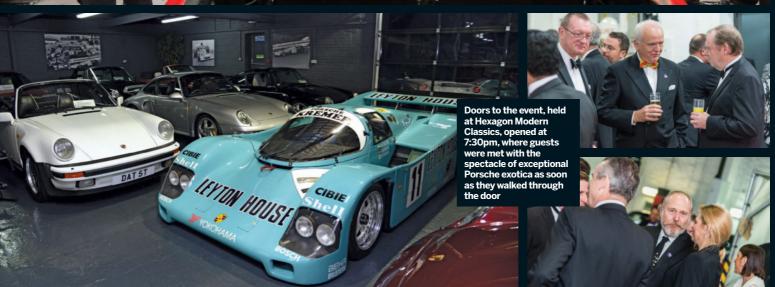














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# Motorsport THE LATEST NEWS AND RESULTS FROM RACING SERIES AROUND THE GLOBE



# Porsche conquers the world at 2015 Six Hours of Shanghai

Fifth consecutive win for 919 Hybrid secures FIA WEC title for Weissach

Mark Webber, Brendon Hartley and Timo Bernhard led home team-mates Neel Jani. Marc Lieb and Romain Dumas in the Six Hours of Shanghai, giving the no. 17 Porsche 919 team its fifth consecutive victory of the season on the way to helping Weissach to secure a memorable first world title since 1986.

After locking out the front row in a dry qualifying session, the factory Porsches were faced with wet conditions on race day, as the six-hour encounter was forced to start behind the safety car. When racing got underway on lap five, pole man Hartley was jumped by Lieb in the no. 18 Porsche, as the



Kiwi struggled with a boost issue. When Lieb was forced into a spin by the no. 7 Audi though, Hartley soon returned to the lead position, heading the field until he handed over to Bernhard on lap 52.

The first round of driver stops worked well for the recovering no. 18 crew who were able to pit during a full-course caution period, allowing Jani to jump aboard and leapfrog the sister car to take the lead. The Swiss racer continued to lead the LMP1 field until lap 101, when a combination of high brake temperatures and the improving pace of the no. 17 machine saw the lead handed to Bernhard, who soon after handed over to Webber while making the switch from wet to intermediate tyres.

As the track continued to dry, the no. 18 car (now in the hands of Dumas) regained first place with the team running a different fuel strategy to the no. 17 Porsche 919. The decision wasn't to pay off however, as Dumas was forced to make a late splash and dash, handing the win to Webber, Hartley and Bernhard.

Victory saw the trio move 12 points clear of Audi racers André Lotterer, Benoît Tréluyer and Marcel Fässler in the drivers' standings but, more importantly for the Zuffenhausen board, the win ensured Porsche became manufacturers' world champion ahead of the season finale in Bahrain.



#### **Eng takes first Supercup title**

Riberas celebrates first Supercup triumph in Texas while Eng secures the 2015 title

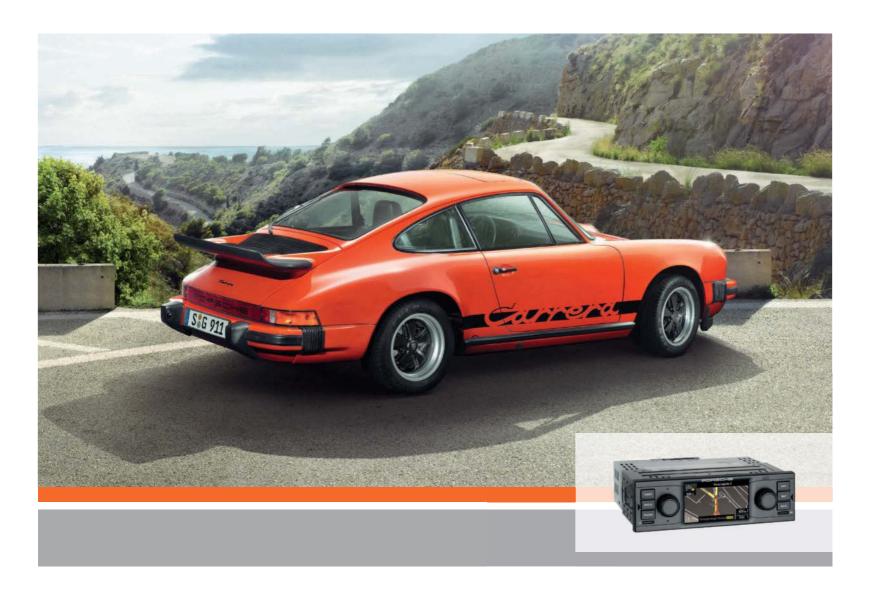
Ex-Porsche Junior, Alex Riberas, finally secured his first Porsche Supercup race win in the 2015 season finale at Circuit of the Americas (COTA), while Philipp Eng took eighth place, winning the Supercup title. This title makes Eng only the third man to ever take the Supercup and Carrera Cup Deutschland titles in the same year, joining René Rast and Frank Stippler on the illustrious list.

Heavy rain brought into Austin by Hurricane Patricia forced both qualifying and race one to be cancelled, as the 3.4-mile COTA circuit in Texas was too waterlogged for any track action to take place on the Saturday. However, conditions improved for Sunday, with the grid for race two decided by drivers' second fastest lap times during Friday's free practice session. This gave pole position to current Porsche Junior, Sven Müller, while Riberas lined up alongside the German on the front row.

The race began under safety car conditions before going green on lap three. Riberas immediately began challenging Müller, with the Lechner Racing Middle East driver unable to shake him off. Riberas eventually found a way through on lap six, scampering away in the spray to take his first Supercup victory, 3.3 seconds ahead of the chasing pack.

That pack was eventually led home by Michael Ammermüller, who deposed Müller to third place on lap eight. Jeffrey Schmidt just missed the podium, while Total 911's Ben Barker put in the drive of the race to come through from tenth on the grid to take sixth, two places ahead of Eng, the Austrian who put in a steady performance to secure the Supercup title.

#### Motor racing in 2015/16



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# Nick Tandy

#### THE LE MANS WINNER GIVES HIS VIEWS FROM BEYOND THE PIT WALL







# Being one of Porsche's test pilots

#### Heading into the off-season, Nick looks at how testing helps Porsche to develop new 911 racers



Recently, I was fortunate enough to be part of the team that gave the new Porsche 911 GT3 R (based on the 991 platform) its first competitive outing. As you may have

read on **Total911.com**, we chose to enter the car in the ninth round of this year's VLN – the endurance series based on the Nürburgring Nordschleife.

There aren't many places tougher to put a new car through its paces, with the track throwing up a number of unique challenges. The last time I had driven the car was roughly 12 months ago so it was interesting to see how the guys at Weissach had developed it. However, when I was last behind the R's wheel, it was on what most of us would call a 'normal' circuit. In order to cope with the Nordschleife's lumps and bumps, you have to run a GT3 car with roughly twice the normal ride height and much softer springs, which, in turn, affects the way the aerodynamics work. This "test race" as we were billing it, would be the first time the new GT3 R had run in such a specification and, in practice, it was my job to take the car out for its first laps.

Getting behind the wheel of a brand new racing car can be quite a daunting experience, especially at the Nürburgring. Heading into the Flugplatz on my first lap, I was still getting to know the car again and,

unlike 'my' 911 RSR, I didn't know how it was going to behave. Obviously, Porsche has years of experience at developing 911 racers, so it knows what it's doing but, whenever we put on our helmets, we know the risks that we're accepting. Still, it did strike me during that event that we were a bit like the test pilots of old, jumping behind the wheel of Porsche's latest and greatest ideas to see what they can do.

As it turned out, the new 911 GT3 R performed excellently at VLN 9. All the testing in the world cannot replace the red hot heat of competition, so to come away with a podium was definitely a bonus. The Nürburgring is a crucial battleground for the German sports car manufacturers as it's home to one of the most famous endurance races in the world. Winning the 24 Hours of Nürburgring always ranks highly on any driver's CV but, in recent years, Porsche hasn't really been running consistently at the very sharp end. The new car should change that, especially with the potential it has already shown.

By the time a car like the latest GT3 R gets to this stage in its development, the testing is all about performance. But, before you can get to this point, each car must go through hundreds of hours of endurance testing to put mileage on the components to see what breaks first. I've just got back from a test in America where we did 40 hours

of running in next year's RSR. Logistically, this can be a headache as we often use two full crews to run one car, giving one set of mechanics and drivers a break during such a long test. While test rigs can be used to trial new parts (and computer-aided design means that components are better than ever straight off the drawing board), these run outs are vital as driving on track always throws up some results that even the best computers can't calculate.

Once the endurance testing is over, the performance work begins. This, for a driver, is where it gets more interesting as it is all about lap time. In an open tyre class like IMSA's GTLM, a lot of our focus goes on optimising the car and developing new rubber. This can mean at any one test we use up to ten sets of brand new tyres. An example in such a scenario, five of these might often be a control set used as a benchmark, with five different new compounds to test alongside them. While the engineers like to hear our feedback, ultimately the stopwatch never lies so, if a tyre is faster, that's the direction we develop the car in.

Even with the off-season now in full swing, the work never stops, especially with Daytona only a few months away. However, with all this effort behind us, we are ensuring that we hit the ground running come January and the new racing season.

# Ben Barker

#### THE SUPERCUP SUPERSTAR REVEALS ALL ABOUT ELITE ONE-MAKE RACING







# Out of the cockpit, into the office

The 2015 racing season may be over for Ben but he's straight into organising a seat for next year



The year began for me at the start of February, racing in the 12 Hours of Bathurst for Grove Group in their 997 GT3 Cup car, and my season has officially come to an end with

the final Porsche Supercup race in Austin, Texas. In a weekend blighted by the weather, I was able to finish sixth in the only race that was able to go ahead another solid result to finish the year with.

Racing full-time in two championships – the Supercup and Carrera Cup Germany - in 2015 has meant that I've been incredibly busy, so it was nice to have a few weeks off recently, finally getting to have some down time in Mexico. I decided to head to Sayulita, just outside of Puerto Vallarta (near to where Hurricane Patricia made landfall just a week earlier). Thankfully, by the time I arrived, the storm had well and truly passed, leaving me with plenty of sunshine and regular 30°C heat. As you've read before, I'm passionate about my surfing and Sayulita is home to some pretty awesome waves. It was great to get out on a board and relax.

It's important to get your mind away from motor racing sometimes, so this was the perfect

opportunity to refresh myself because, as a driver, once you're out of the cockpit at the end of a season, it's not long until you're in the office making calls and sending emails, hunting for any opportunities for the next year. Even in Mexico, I was doing a little bit of work just to ensure that I was on top of everything. After all, if I want to race at Bathurst again (or any of the early season endurance races such as Dubai), I don't actually have much time to sort a seat out.

The winter is all about nurturing relationships that you've developed through the year and I'm lucky that in 2015 I have developed a really great rapport with my Carrera Cup Germany team, Land Motorsport, and their sponsor, Montaplast. We really just clicked straight away and, like me, they're ambitious to move forward and grow.

In some ways, 2015 has been a tricky season for me thanks to a variety of factors. That's not to say that there haven't been some high points though. Starting fourth at Monaco and making a move in the race to secure an eventual third place would definitely make my highlights reel, as would my first race on the awesome Nürburgring Nordschleife. It's one of those circuits where you will always

remember the first time you race there, and it was definitely a big tick off the bucket list when we visited the 'Green Hell' as part of the Carrera Cup Germany back in May. However, in some ways, the aforementioned relationships I've developed this year are the main highlight of my year, as hopefully these will help me to move strongly into 2016.

In the last issue, I mentioned that next year is the year where I want to, but also need to, make the jump up to FIA GT3 machinery. In Europe, the best place to race these cars is in the two Blancpain Series (one for endurance racing, and one with a sprint race format). However, while it would be fantastic to race in what is a very professional series with a load of top teams, if I could choose anywhere to be driving in 2016, it would have to be the United SportsCar Championship over in America. 2014 gave me a taste of racing stateside and I really enjoyed myself. The circuits are really cool and the feeling in the paddock is a lot more relaxed than Europe. With the USCC also seeing the introduction of full GT3-spec cars in the GT Daytona class, I've definitely got an eye on securing a seat over there. This is where the hard work truly begins.

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#### Get out and drive

#### Dear Sir,

With the Porsche 911 market seemingly settled in the last few months (if your value indicators in Data File are to be believed), now seems like the perfect time to reflect on the prices of our beloved Neunelfers. High values certainly make for good headlines in the press but surely they are not the be-all and end-all for any true 911 fan? After all, most of us didn't get into cars (and Porsches specifically) to make money — if anything for reasons far from it.

Porsche 911s need to be experienced first-hand to get the most out of them but, with the crazily high prices that we've seen over the last few years,

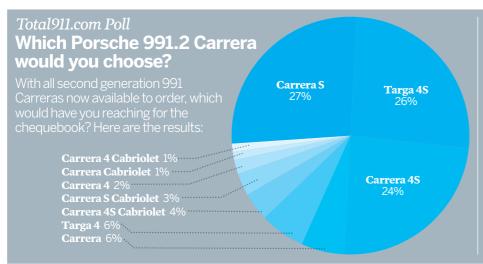
fewer and fewer of them are being taken out on the road. I can certainly understand why – if I owned a \$500,000 2.7 RS, I'd be more than a little nervous sharing the roads with everyone out there – but it's a crying shame and certainly not what Ferry envisaged back in 1963, I'm sure.

There's a reason why most of us fell in love with the 911 and it certainly wasn't its "investment potential." The burgeoning market has seen a number of people buying 911s purely to make a profit, leaving a number of true enthusiasts out in the cold. The really ironic thing is though, that if these investors actually jumped behind the wheel

of their 'assets', and took the time to get to know their car, they'd no doubt join the rest of us as real Porsche enthusiasts.

Driving a 911, you can't help but be smitten by its bountiful charm, from the sound of its flat six to the unique way it behaves on your favourite sweeping road. They talk to you like no other car and, whether a new 991 GT3 RS, a lowly 911 SC or an iconic 2.7 RS, they all deserve to be driven. Hopefully, with prices stabilising, more people will start to understand that the true value of their Porsche 911 can't be measured by its monetary worth.

**Hank Simmons** 



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The best of your tweets that caught our eye on this month's newsfeed



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#### Saving space Dear Sir,

Can any space saver/collapsible wheel be used in a 997? My car was only supplied with a can of glop with which to ruin the tyres!

#### Steve Sanford

We put your question to esteemed specialist, Paragon. Here's what they said: "A 996 space saver sometimes fits on some axles of certain models but not others. For example, we recently had a 991 that was having the wheels refurbished and a 996 space saver fitted on the front but not the back as it fouled the brake calipers. It really depends on the offset of the wheels."

#### Warranty worries Dear Sir,

A quick question for an independent point of view. If I change the exhaust on my 991 GT3 would this void my warranty? Keep up the work on the great mag.

#### Royd Evan

Thank you for the kind words, Royd! In regards to your question, it's best to check with your local OPC on that one. We hope that helps.

#### The wrong way around Dear Sir,

After winning the 'Eight' Hours of Petit Le Mans overall, I would like to ask

Nick Tandy if he thinks the engine in the Porsche 911 is still in the "wrong" place? I am a huge fan of his and would love to hear his thoughts on this.

#### Marc Messmer

With Nick currently busy testing in the off-season, we haven't managed to get an answer for your question at the moment, Marc. However, rest assured, we will ensure that you get a response from him.

#### R there enough? Dear Sir,

My first thoughts when I saw the 991 R prototype? It looks genuinely 'dangerous' (in a good way) from behind. Yet it seems that this will be another Porsche that I will not be able to buy (even though I'm standing here, cash in hand).

Porsche mania is spreading really quickly at the moment. Guys like me - teenagers in the 1980s who now

(finally) have some real money to play with - would normally have targets painted on our backs by Porsche's executives. That is how things used to be done, anyway.

Now though, the booming luxury lifestyle monolith is hoovering up exclusive products (as happened with the 991 GT3 RS) and value isn't a word in particularly heavy rotation at the moment. It's made me understand what it must have been like for

















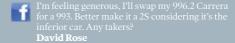




#### Why the Porsche 996 is a better 911 than the 993















emerging economies, watching the neighbours gorging on what you've been saving for a lifetime to achieve.

Christopher Zylstra

#### Best of the '80s Dear Sir,

I completely disagree with Josh's online feature, 'Is the 3.2 Carrera overhyped?' In my opinion, the 3.2 Carrera is one of the best ever 911s (and for

some people of a certain generation it is probably the best one).

Even by today's standards, it is still a very fast car, much faster than the SC (Super Carrera) that Josh compares it to. The handling is outstanding and the reliability is bulletproof, with some still cruising today with 300,000 kilometres (or more!) on the clock.

I understand that he prefers the SC – it is easier to drive, it weighs less

and the looks are very similar - but the 3.2 was a great improvement, giving the G Series models the perfect car. The brakes were much better too. as was the Bosch fuel injection. The latter made this probably the first ever Porsche 911 that you could actually drive, and enjoy, every day.

With all this in mind, the 3.2 Carrera is surely the best '80s 911, no?

Jose Archer



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# WIN! Win a brilliant bespoke 911 drawing



Good car-based art is hard to come by. Some artists' work feels too pedestrian, while others are often too stylised. However, Neil Gardner's pieces are truly beautiful, especially when you consider they are drawn completely by hand. Operating under the NG AutoArt banner, Neil has been creating bespoke artwork for car owners since 2010.

Starting with what he refers to as "good drawings", Neil – a lifelong Porsche fan – has been focussing his style on hyperrealism and it certainly had us fooled the first time we saw his work. It really does look like a photograph. Some owners hadn't noticed details about their own car until Neil had drawn it. For this issue, we've teamed up with Neil to offer one lucky reader a bespoke A3-sized drawing (either of your current car or one you aspire to own) framed and



ready to hang. Even if you don't win, Neil is offering all **Total 911** readers 10 per cent off their commissions. To be in with a chance of winning, all you have to do is answer the following simple question:

Which British driver shared Porsche's first outright victory at Le Mans?

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volution is a curious thing, but in the great race for survival of the fittest the Porsche 911 has consistently been ahead of its competition. Porsche's Darwinian sports car has thrived thanks to continual development, rather than whole scale re-invention. Just occasionally in its 52 years, though, the 911 DNA gets a serious shake-up, like the addition of a water jacket around its rearmounted flat-six engine with the introduction of the 996, the electric power assisted steering in the 991, or here with the new 991 Gen2.

Visually you could be forgiven for missing the distinction between this and its 991 predecessor. There are new front air intakes with active vanes to aid cooling and the bumper's revision includes new LED driving lights. The headlamps are the same shape, but the technology inside them is new. But it's around the back where the changes are a bit more obvious. The engine cover's slats are

now vertical, while the rear bumper is punctured toward the rear wheels with some air vents. On the sports exhaust equipped cars the standard quad finishers are replaced by a pair of more inboard pipes, giving both a visual and aural reference to their fitment. There are new lights, LED units with their form following that of the Macan's units, and new door handles. Typically Porsche in its evolution then, nothing superfluous, the revisions coming about entirely through form rather than a mere styling flourish for the sake of any concerted visual distinction.

Those vertical engine slats and the vents in the lower rear bumper reveal the biggest revisions to the 991 Gen2 model: the engine. Both the Carrera and Carrera S are now turbocharged. The drive to efficiency hits even Porsche's iconic sports car, the 3.4 and 3.8-litre naturally aspirated flat sixes are replaced by a new 3.0-litre flat six with twin turbochargers. They are fixed vane compressors,



unlike the still flagship Turbo model, and the fitment of the 3.0-litre engine with forced induction sees not just an improvement in economy and emissions, but an increase in power and torque, and specifically, how and where they are delivered.

Power in both models increases by 20hp to 370hp and 420hp in the Carrera and Carrera S respectively, with peak output developed at 6,500rpm as opposed to 7,400rpm. The redline is an earlier 7,500rpm, though it's the torque delivery that's the most significant change to how the 911 delivers its power. Twist increases by 60Nm in both models, though the now 450Nm and 500Nm peaks arrive some 3,700rpm earlier at 1,700rpm and hang around to 5,000rpm before slowly tailing off. It's inevitable that such a seismic shift in the way the engine delivers its performance changes the character of the car, the more prodigious urge from low revs results in a 911 Carrera that's less dependent on revs to produce its best. There's still reward at the upper sweep of the rev-counter's needle in the chase to the red paint, only now it's a decision rather than a necessity. It's one that's still rewarded with a sound that's characteristically flat-six in its timbre, even if it's now layered with some forced-induction gasps and chirps as those turbos do their work. The optional sports exhaust (£1,773) adds to the sonic excitement, cracking

Above Left: There is unquestionable bark from the turbocharged engine, its flat-six howl not lost on the new Carrera Right: Though more power at low revs is noticeable, reaching the redline is still a rewarding experience

#### 991.2 Carrera: a traditional 911?

#### **Traditional character traits**

- There's a new engine, but it's slung out back in what should have been an evolutionary cul-de-sac, yet Porsche's stubbornness and engineering prowess makes this unusual formula work so well. Traction remains mighty, and with the engine's greater low rev torque it is all the better for sling-shotting the 911 out of bends with sensational pace.
- With the 991 Gen2 revisions comes a completely revised chassis, which increases agility and, crucially, addresses the complaints of the early 991's electronic steering system. The Gen2 is a 911 that boasts real steering feel, which has always been a core 911 signature, as is the crisper manual shift. And when combined, those are arguably as transformational to the 991's drive as that new engine out the back.
- Fears that the new engine would be muted are unfounded, Porsche finding a way to give its blown flatsix real charisma, there even joy in wringing it out to its redline. It's a faster engine everywhere, which when allied to the sharper chassis makes for an even more adept all-rounder sports and GT car.

#### Revolutionary new traits

- Those of us used to hopeless infotainment sat navs will be disappointed to find a simple to use touchscreen system in the new 911. It's loaded with the sort of connectivity, apps and functionality that modern car buyers demand – though several launch cars' sat navs demonstrated all is not perfect, with inaccurate positioning requiring not unwelcome extra miles behind the wheel.
- Porsche has always done things very much in its own way, but the 'mode switch' on the steering wheel seems to imitate the switch introduced to the Manettino Ferrari many years ago, and feels a little bit gimmicky. So too does the push system that comes with it on the PDK-equipped cars, while the switch itself (more of a dial in reality) isn't the last word in tactile or visual quality.
- The core models remain incredible sports cars, but to really revel in the best 911 Carrera you need to do some extensive option ticking. It's a shame that for the very best Carrera or Carrera S there's still a good deal of expense required over the standard list price.









on overrun with a snare-drum resonance and adding a hearty, intoxicating tonal richness as the revs rise. Fears that the 911 might be muted with the adoption of forced induction prove largely unfounded, even if it's not quite as exciting in its upper range as its naturally-aspirated predecessor, and really needs that optional sports exhaust to produce its very best.

The engine might be the most significant technical revision with this Gen2 991, but fundamental as it is to the 991's new character, Porsche's revisions elsewhere have had a noteworthy effect. Turning the key and firing up the new blown flat-six quickly dispels any doubt that turbocharging has denied the 911 of its unique aural quality, even if it's noticeably but not unpleasantly different. What's apparent when you pull away is that Porsche's development

work on the suspension and steering has paid off tremendously when relating to that difficult-to-quantify aspect of steering feel. If the 991 has been criticised in one particular area it has been centred on the steering. There's never been any question of its accuracy or response, but the electrically assisted system has been lacking in that intangible detail that's always been a 911 signature. That's changed with the Gen2 991, the steering retains its fine weighting, but allied to that now is some information at the new steering wheel's rim. That change is arguably as transformational to the 991's driving experience as the new blown engine hanging out the back.

The 991 Carrera has exhibited the 91l's GT nature more readily than its predecessors, even if it remains an incredibly adept sports car at its heart. That revised steering, which comes as a

result of detail changes to it and the calibration of the suspension, includes PASM as standard and a 10mm ride height drop on both the Carrera and Carrera S models. The PASM has been completely redeveloped with new generation adaptive dampers, the fitment of rebound buffer springs on all four corners, and revised main springs and antiroll bars. There's a fatter rear tyre by half an inch to 11.5 inches, while there's been an infinitesimal shift in weight to a more rearward bias.

The detail changes don't stop at the chassis, both the seven-speed PDK and manual transmissions have been overhauled to work better with the new engine's power and torque delivery. There's a two-disc clutch and both the PDK and manual benefit from a centrifugal pendulum, which both improves the shift quality while also dampening vibration from the driveline. The PDK remains the quicker



of the two transmissions, its re-calibrated shift and new gear ratios allow the Carrera S, when specified with Sport Chrono in Sport Plus mode, to reach 62mph in just 3.9 seconds – yet the new 991 returns an incredible 174g/km of CO2 on the official combined emissions cycle.

PDK isn't necessarily the default choice though. The improvements made to the Genl seven-speed Carrera's manual gearbox with the introduction of the GTS only increased with the additional tweaking it's received for the Gen2 991. The manual's speed and accuracy is now such that, while it's not able to match the brilliance of the six-speeder of the 997, it's close enough. The engine's greater low-rev potency means you can be lazy with it if you chose, its surge from low revs allowing corners that a Gen1 991 would have demanded second for can be taken easily in third.

The gear lever moves with the sort of precision you'd expect from a manual 911 now. Its speed and weighting is excellent which, allied with the perfectly positioned pedals allowing roll-off the brake throttle, allows easy downshifts for the sort of old-school driving appeal that a sadly dwindling minority still seek. The brakes, optional PCCB here, are phenomenal in feel and performance. Choose Sport Chrono with the manual and the new steering wheel sprouts the same 'Mode switch' dial derived from the 918 Spyder for selecting Normal, Sport, Sport Plus and, for the first time, an Individual setting that allows a certain degree of personalisation.

With the PDK, that dial gains a centre pushbutton 20 second pass function that optimises the car for its most explosive performance. It's a bit gimmicky in truth, and the dial itself is not the last word in tactility. Choose anything above Normal mode in the manual and an unwelcome electronic heel-and-toe downshift blip is activated, robbing the manual driver of a key element of choosing a three-pedal car. PSM gains a new mid-PSM Sport mode, which heightens the intervention thresholds for stability and traction control. It is possible to switch it off entirely, too, though brake heavily enough to activate the ABS and the PSM will react accordingly until the brake pedal is released.

It's improbable to imagine a situation where you'd break traction and grip on the road, so high are the Carrera's limits. Optionally equipped with the rear-wheel steer that debuted on the GT3 and Turbo, the Carrera S's agility is incredible. The steering's feedback and speed, helped by that rear-axle, makes for a sharper, more decisive turn in. The massive traction allied to the engine's

significantly improved low-rev potential makes the Carrera S an incredibly adept car at carrying its speed, making it difficult to comprehend why you'd want, or indeed ever need anything quicker. The Carrera's lesser output does little to quell that, even though it does not boast the some of the more desirable options like rear-wheel steer that makes the S so other-worldly in its cross-country ability.

With the modern 911 it's always been a process of choosing the perfect specification to suit your expectations, and with the exception perhaps of that needless Sport Chrono pack in this yellow manual S Coupe, the box ticking has been comprehensive but effective, too. PDCC and the lower still sports chassis affords this agile sports car a ride that's luxurious, given the 20-inch wheels and thin band of rubber it wears, yet it's able to deliver the incisive wheel control that makes the Carrera S so effective at covering ground - regardless of the tarmac's topography. The rear-wheel steer creates an agile car that's keener than ever to turn in and resolute through the entire arc of the bend. The manual transmission, with its improved, quicker shift and lighter clutch, is an absolute joy, while the steering's response, accuracy and feel adds to the 991.2's sensational appeal as a driver's car.

Then there's that engine, an evolutionary necessity perhaps, which in the 91l's timeline will always be a decisive moment. But transformational as it is, there's huge appeal to the differences it brings, yet joy too in the similarities it retains. That's always been true of the 91l – Porsche's evolutionary approach to its development being crucial to its enduring, and incredible success.

With the Gen2 changes the 911 remains very much at the top of the food chain, as we'd expect it to be and, indeed, it always has been. Not so much a new dawn for the 911 then, more a continuation of the existing one, which is a very good thing.

## **Total 911 assessment:** 991.2 Carrera

#### Likes

- The engine's easy speed, quick reaction and fine upper reaches it's not overtly turbocharged in its character, yet brings some real advantages
- Improved chassis brings back feel to the 991, particularly in relation to the steering
- The seven-speed manual gearbox is a huge improvement over its predecessor, the shift weight, speed and quality now meaning PDK should no longer be the default choice

#### **Dislikes**

- Plentiful box ticking is required to make the very best of the 911, and that adds significantly to the expense
- The Individual mode in both the manual and PDKequipped Sport Chrono doesn't offer enough choices

   it does not offer the ability to pre-select your
   preferred PSM setting, for example
- Sport Chrono with the manual transmission automatically brings throttle downshift blips in both Sport and Sport Plus modes, which misses the point of buying the manual completely







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a show-stopping Carrera, first displayed at Earl's Court in that first year of G-Series production

Written by Wilhelm Lutjeharms Photography by Rob Till







**Transmission** 915, five-speed manual

Suspension

Torsion bar

Torsion bar, trailing arms

Wheels & tyres

Front 7x15-inch Fuchs; 205/50/ ZR15 (Original spec: 6x15-inch; (185/70/VR15)

Rear 8x15-inch Fuchs; 225/50/ ZR15 (Original spec: 7x15-inch; (205/60VR15)

**Dimensions** 

Length 4,291mm

Width 1,610mm

Weight 1,075kg

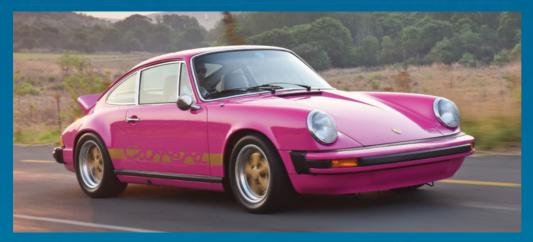
Performance

**0-62mph** 6.3 sec Top speed 148 mph the impact bumpers and the changes to the 911's structure, Porsche implemented a few updates: a single battery replaced two batteries; new seats (now with integrated headrests) were developed, and aluminium inner rear trailing arms replaced the previous steel units. This effort paid off, and the new G-Series was not a lot heavier than its predecessors: a 1967 911S tipped the scales at 1,100kg, while this 2.7 Carrera weighed only 1,075kg. As with the RS, this 2.7 Carrera adopted the same ducktail. This was necessary in order to lower the amount of aerodynamic lift the car generated. Tests on the RS revealed that not only did this wing lower the Cd figure, but rear lift was reduced from 145kg at 152mph to only 42kg.

Of the current 62,000 miles on the odometer, just over 22,000 miles were done during the time the car resided in the UK. "We would drive to

how free-revving the engine is, as the revs quickly drop off. Although much has been written about the inaccurate shift qualities of the 915 gearbox, this one is one of the better units I've experienced to date. Sometimes you still have to shift into second gear and up into first for a smoother first gear engagement from standstill, but despite this aspect, compared to other 915 transmissions, this example felt tight and precise.

As a few corners beckon through the mostly flat West Rand of Johannesburg, the lightness of the car, in conjunction with the rather firm suspension, pays dividends. Although I haven't got close to the limits of the car's cornering capabilities, it changes direction eagerly through the three-spoke steering wheel - which is brimming with feedback. As it behoves a proper sports car, the suspension minimises body



roll and makes no excuses for the stable setup. And it shouldn't – after all, in the rear is that exceptional engine. Owing to the colour of the car, I am even more aware of the compact size and extremities of the front wings. My view is filled by the road ahead, but first the magenta wings indicate your placement on the road.

Every time I drive these early air-cooled 91ls, it is a stark reminder of their performance – and these experiences are backed up by the facts. Respected German magazine *Auto, Motor & Sport* tested a 2.7 Carrera and achieved the following results: 0-100km/h in 6.1 seconds, 0-160km/h in 15.2 seconds, and a top speed of 148mph. Significant figures indeed. To put it in perspective, the standard 2.7 91l achieved 8.1 and 21.9 seconds respectively, before topping out at 130.8mph.

After a while behind the wheel, another element of the car surfaces – 62,000 miles is low

for a car of this vintage. But, even though this is still a 41-year-old car, there is a total lack of rattles or creaks. Only when you hit a notable road irregularity do you find a sound or two which filters through to the cabin. Other than that, there is a solid feel throughout the chassis and cabin, which I've only experienced in a few 91ls before.

The dashboard is immaculate and even the light-brown vinyl seats don't show any sign of their age. The owner claimed the only nonstandard items on the car were the wheels: "Originally the car came with 6-inch Fuchs wheels at the front and 7-inch wheels on the back but I bought two 8-inch wheels from a race car in the UK. I fitted these to the rear, and then the two 7-inch wheels at the front." Instead of the original black Fuchs, he decided to have them refurbished in matching gold. You will be forgiven for thinking that is how they emerged from the

factory, as the colour perfectly blends with the gold "Carrera" script, both along the side and below the ducktail.

When the owner returned to South Africa, it was his and his wife's only car. This meant that when a new double-bed mattress needed to be bought, this '74 Carrera was the car of choice, and the mattress was put on the roof and taken home! Soon after the car was shipped to Johannesburg, the owner was offered nearly double what he paid for it. As he had just finished his studies, he considered taking up the offer, but decided against the possible sale, only to be given an even better offer a year later by a different buyer – but again he refused.

Around 22 years ago the car was re-sprayed, and fortunately the owner decided to keep it in its period colour. And period it was. The poster for the 1974 Earl's Court Motor Show illustrates that the main theme colour was none other than the magenta seen on this car. After all these years, you have to congratulate the car's custodians for keeping the Carrera in its original state and colour. While today it is almost non-negotiable to change that hue, a decade or more ago it would have been totally acceptable. How times change.

Following the unprecedented rise in value of 2.7 Carrera RSs, it is almost understandable why the value and interest of these lesser – if you can call them that – 2.7 models have also climbed. In my view, this particular car must be one of the most significant models out there. From being a Ferrari fanatic, to owning this car, the owner has added a lot more than one of Porsche's finest to his collection.



#### 2.7 Carrera: US v RoW

For the first time in Porsche's history, the cars heading to the USA now featured detuned engines. This was to meet the 1975 Federal Standards exhaust emissions. It meant that the higher output 210bhp Carrera engine, featuring mechanical fuel injection, was swapped for the

911 S's 175bhp engine. The changes on the 911 S's engine featured a belt-driven pump, which injected air into the exhaust ports. The K-Jetronic settings were also changed, while Californian Exhaust Emissions Standards further requested the fitting of an exhaust gas recirculation system. Between all these changes, some sources claimed that power output dropped to 160bhp (torque output also decreased), while maintaining the same engine speed. This resulted in the 911 S and 2.7 Carrera only differing in their equipment levels in the USA.



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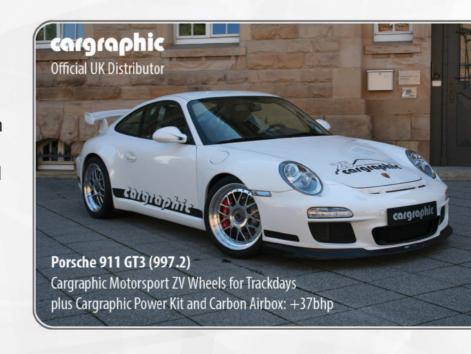


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here's a famous quote, once uttered by Ferdinand Alexander Porsche, which neatly elucidates the existence of a car on which this very publication is dedicated to. "I couldn't find the sports car of my dreams, so I built it myself," he said, of course in reference to the revelation of the 911 in 1963.

More than half a century later, Ferdinand's dream is still very much alive, with nearly one million examples of the 911 having rolled their wheels on roads (and off them!) all over the world. But while Herr Porsche's 911 may represent the pinnacle for many, for others there's work to be done before that tag of a dream sports car can be truly upheld.

It's early autumn and I'm in California to get behind the wheel of two very different cars that nevertheless share one common goal: to improve on Porsche's factory specification and offer enhanced performance and driving dynamics. As we know, the 911's 52-years of continuous production and high reverence suggests such a feat is a tall order at the best of times – and that is before I reveal the two models under scrutiny here are to be a halo 997 GT2 and GT3, no less.

Think modified GT3 and there are only a handful of specialists with an impeccable worldwide reputation in the field. In Germany, you need look no further than Manthey Racing, Olaf himself being the king of the early Carrera Cup and master of the Nordschleife with numerous VLN victories to his name. Rest assured then, Herr Manthey knows his way around a Mezger, especially when it comes to making it even faster - and with Manthey themselves based next to the Nürburgring, they certainly get plenty of practice. In the UK, Parr Motorsports are often the specialist of choice, with a sustained Carrera Cup experience over a number of years from Paul Robe and his team an obvious selling point for owners wanting even more from their track-focussed 911.

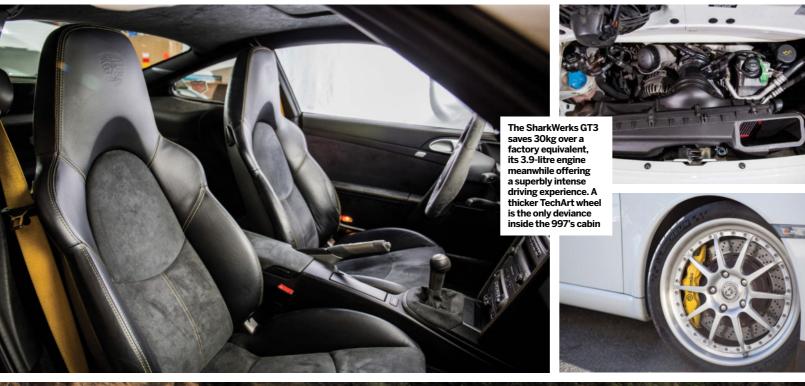
Here in the USA, things are a little different. Historically Porsche's biggest market, the States doesn't have its own Porsche Carrera Cup series to garner the expertise of specialists. Instead, this sector is dominated by tuner specialists who started by modifying their own Porsche, often to extreme lengths according to personal taste, rather than manipulating a street GT3 to behave more like its Cup competition counterpart. A disadvantage over a pro race team, perhaps? Not even a hint of it, especially when the tuner specialist in question goes by the name of SharkWerks.

Of course, SharkWerks should be no strangers to readers of Total 911. Based in Fremont near San Francisco, this innovative triumvirate of Alex Ross, James Hendry and Dan Kennedy have long fused their mechanical and technological knowhow with a fervent Porsche passion that has seen them produce some sensational modified 911s, the most notable of which is the 997 GT3 RS 4.1 cover star from issue 122. To this day that reworked Rennsport remains one of the very best examples of the 'other' prancing horse we've ever driven, so there's no question the Bay Area company has form. Fully aware of this as I step out of the glaring morning sunshine and into the cool lobby at SharkWerks HQ, I can't help but get excited at what the day has in store.

After a warm welcome and concerted Porsche chat with Alex, James and Dan, I'm lead into the colourful SharkWerks workshop where my eyes are greeted by that gorgeous Riviera blue GT3 RS 4.1. The 4.1 is like a celebrity in the room but there's no time to bask in the wonderment of its presence because I'm here to examine the flamboyantly decorated 997 GT2 next to it. Packing 650bhp thanks to an Evolution Motorsports EVT775 turbo Kit along with what Alex describes as some "heavy-hitting bolt-ons", the idea behind this 911 was to unleash some truly gnarly power while still making it drivable daily using a 'street' clutch.











Behind it sits a first-generation 997 GT3 in an altogether more subtle white hue, though its bodywork cloaks a vastly reworked drive including a 3.6 to 3.9-litre engine conversion that is to be another subject of our impending mountain blast. So, though one of our 997 duo boasts turbo power while the other relies on the purity of natural aspiration, both are seeking to add a bit of spice to Zuffenhausen's traditional flat six flavour, and both cars boast substantially increased power figures over their factory equivalents. But is bigger necessarily better?

By midday the busy urban highways of Fremont are long behind us, swapped for the tranquility of Mount Hamilton and its twisty tarmac. It is the naturally-aspirated GT3 that first demands my examination as Alex passes me the keys and I take my position behind its thick Techart alcantara steering wheel.

The environment within the cabin is unmistakably GT3 and, as I fire up the car and let it settle quickly to idle, the usual gear rattling (a result of that dual mass flywheel) indicates a familiar 997 GT3 experience. However, it is once moving that the SharkWerks 3.9 steps into a whole new world of performance – without losing its inherent GT3 character, something that Alex was always keen to retain. As we carve through every left-right turn of this desolate canyon run, he tells me: "This era represents the final modicum of lineage with the original cars and we simply didn't want to lose that."

Scrupulous attention to detail is exerted on the GT3's Mezger engine during the five-week build process from 3.6 to 3.9-litres (with an additional week necessary for a bottom end build with new rod bolts and bearings), with SharkWerks

utilising their own tooling to make the installation possible. Larger bore pistons are used with higher compression for increased torque and horsepower throughout the entire rev range. Meanwhile, lightweight components including pistons (with rotating mass reduced by 20 grams per piston) ensure the motor revs freely and responds well in the upper echelons of the tacho, even increasing the redline to a heady 8,800rpm. The result is best described as a GT3 on steroids: that additional torque is keenly felt at lower rpms and as that needle begins to rise on the central dial, so too does driver excitement.

The most remarkable aspect of this reworked Mezger is its responsiveness: it's so zippy and willing to rev quickly that I'm charmed into unleashing its full power on the road almost immediately. And, when the power is delivered, it's mighty linear too. There's still a sense of the factory GT3's peaky nature, but there's now enough low-down torque to get my adrenaline pumping well before 5,000rpm. That said, power deliverance at the top end is still a mighty spectacle, the 3.9-litre GT3 not only boosted by that 400rpm increased rev limit but, more spectacularly, with just a five per cent drop off here from peak torque. It all makes for an incredibly intense experience that genuinely has my pulse racing.

The GT3 3.9's intensity is of course aided by the noise emanating from the 997's rear. Thanks to that SharkWerks Street Exhaust – which is switchable, while saving 18 pounds over a reciprocating factory part – the GT3's soundtrack is beautifully changed from the factory system's higher-pitched howl into a raucous, red-blooded flat six shriek as car and driver are rapidly propelled towards the horizon.

SharkWerks have been making these 3.9-litre conversions for well over five years now, bringing an accomplishment to the overall package that's unlike anything I've come across before. The chassis feels tight, too, with a slightly firmer ride at the rear (just how we like), though on this tarmac's uneven topography I am having to be wise with my throttle inputs to avoid any unwanted snap-out from the rear axle. The GT3's factory gearbox displays its usual trait in offering a tight, short throw, complementing SharkWerks' electrifying powerplant, and I welcome the influx of information available to my senses afforded by the 997's mechanically assisted steer, fortified superbly by the Bilstein suspension and ever-communicative Michelin Pilot Sport Cup 2s. Interestingly, there is no PASM in sight either, with SharkWerks disabling the factory suspension management in favour of this more traditional setup.

Constantly flicking between second and third gears as we weave up the mountainside pass, ekeing the revs out each time for a quick change-up, I'm completely submerged in the ingenuity of the 3.9's character. The factory GT3 is a brilliant machine, yet this is somehow more involving, more intense, and it's hard not to hide my sheer fanaticism for it. SharkWerks' exquisite craftsmanship here is no fluke either. Our test car in question, kindly donated to us for the day by the legendary Ralph Jackson, an affable 69-year-old Porschephile and one-time Vasek Polak mechanic, has been peddled through more than 65,000 miles of very hard use as a 3.9, and I'm certain it's all the better for it.

Halfway up Mount Hamilton, I reluctantly pull over and bring the GT3 3.9 to a halt. I kill the engine and hop out of the cockpit cooled by air

#### SharkWerks 997 GT2

Year

**SharkWerks 997.1 GT3 3.9** 

3,600cc

**Engine** Capacity

Model

3,900cc 9.0:1 Compression ratio 13.0:1

650hp @ 6,000rpm

Maximum power 502hp @ 7,800rpm

813Nm @ 5,300rpm

GT2 RS single mass flywheel; RS 4.0 pulley;

442Nm @ 5,400rpm **Maximum torque** 

**Transmission** RS lightweight flywheel; Cup car clutch and pressure plate

stud kit

SharkWerks stage 2 clutch kit; Guard GT Pro Chromalloy LSD unit

Modifications

SharkWerks 500hp GT3 3.9-litre engine kit (forged, lightweight pistons; stock Mahle 3.6 con rods; steel liners; new rings, clips and wrist pins; displacement increased by 8%); SharkWerks Street exhaust; Cargraphic front wheel kit; EVOMSit ECU tune; specially profiled intake/exhaust cams; EVOMS head

EVOMS 775 kit (EVT775 Clubsport ECU calibration with 7,000rpm rev limit; highflow VTG turbochargers with 65mm billet compressor wheels; SharkWerks GT2 exhaust & high-flow cats; third generation clubsport intercoolers; reinforced silicone hoses; reinforced silicone turbocharger air inlet ducts; billet turbocharger boost recirculation valves; EVY specification spark plugs; IPD competition intake plenum; Porsche GT3 82mm throttle body; high energy discharge ignition coils; improved turbocharger spool time); Cargraphic 200 cell cats with straight-through SharkWerks stainless steel exhaust; SharkWerks coolant pipe kit; GT3 RS front fender flares; GT2 RS front lip; TechArt rear wing gurney

Suspension Bilstein Clubsport dampers; RSS inner monoballs and adjustable thrust

arm bushings

Bilstein B16 Damptronic coilovers; RSS/ Front SharkWerks bump steer/toe steer kit; RSS inner monoballs and adjustable thrust arm bushings; Brembo GT six piston, 380mm

disc kit

Bilstein Clubsport dampers; RSS/ SharkWerks rear adjustable links; RSS/ SharkWerks bump steer/toe steer kit & lock out plates; RSS semi-solid engine mounts

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9x19-inch HRE Competition C93 three-piece

alloys; 235/35/19 Michelin Pilot Super Sport

Wheels & tyres **Front** 

Rear

Rear

9x19-inch Champion RS 184 forged monoblock alloys; 235/35/19 Michelin Pilot

Sport Cup

12x19-inch Champion RS 184 forged monoblock alloys; 325/30/19 Michelin Pilot 12x19-inch; HRE Competition C93 threepiece alloys; 305/30/19 Michelin Pilot

Super Sport

**Dimensions** 

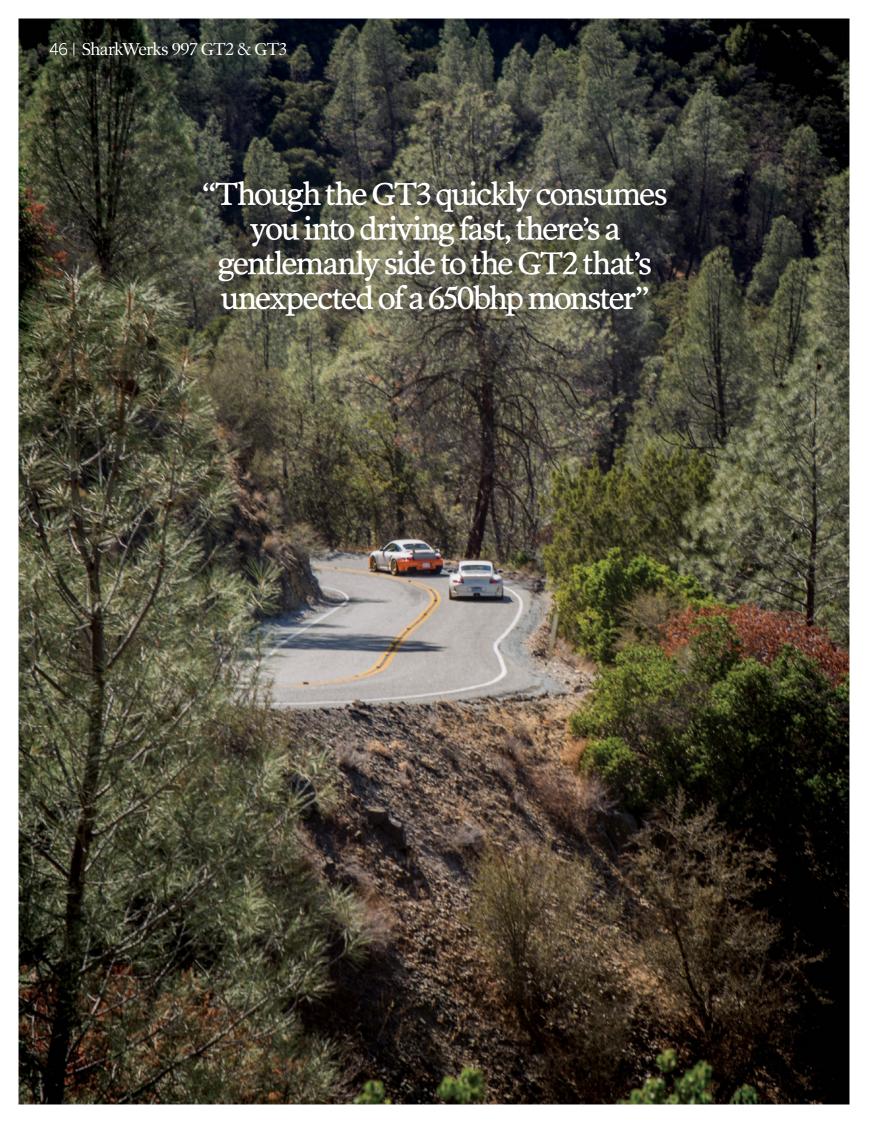
Length 4,445mm Width 1.808mm Weight

Performance 0-62mph

Sport Cup

4,469mm







conditioning, giving the keys to Alex, who replaces them with keys to the GT2 that has followed close behind to this point thanks to the pedaling of SharkWerks' Dan. Allowing for a few minutes at the roadside to reset my mind, I then make my way over to the GT2 and take my place in the tartaninsert Recaro driver's seat.

This GT2 represents something of a personal project for Alex, the last widowmaker offering him a second chance with a forced induction 911. Alex's history with turbocharging involves an 800bhp 996 Turbo once used to conquer the salt flats, though the purist in him soon found favour with the response and progressiveness of a GT3, which is why SharkWerks have specialised in naturally aspirated flat sixes since.

Firing up the GT2, I'm not sure what to expect: big-number turbo Porsches aren't new, and usually come with the caveat of being undriveable on public roads, typified by a brutally heavy clutch pedal and unpredictable surges of boost. That is not the case here. The weight of the left pedal is palatable, even lighter than that of a factory car, and the driver experience isn't ruined by overzealous turbo spooling.

In fact, I'm startled as to just how docile the SharkWerks GT2 can be. Finding the biting point and moving away is a smooth affair time after time, and incremental throttle inputs are rewarded with swift progress along the road without those VTG turbochargers booting me into next week. Press that loud pedal right to the floor, however, and the GT2's rate of acceleration becomes savage. In an instant, the car switches to come good on its claimed 650bhp max output, thrusting the car forward, its power surge unrelenting all the way to 7,000rpm. I'm impressed to note there's only the slightest hint of turbo lag coupled to this, and,

though the huge powerband is delightfully linear, there's no crass 'on-off' flip of pace that would usually blight the complexion of a turbocharged 911 of this magnitude. In fact, it's as if there are GT3 elements of character instilled in this GT2 – it's the most sophisticated, mature tune I've come across.

Though the GT3 quickly consumes you into driving fast, there's a gentlemanly side to the GT2 that's unexpected of a monster capable of 650bhp. Its tractability means I'm still having fun at sensible speeds, carving through each corner before blasting venomously along each short straight, and the GT2 is ready to push on as my confidence begins to build.

The ride is firmer than a stock GT2, though not as crashy on the road as a GT2 RS, and I am again grateful of the feedback afforded by those immense second-generation Michelin Sport Cup tyres and factory PCCBs. The GT2 sounds great too, its rasp from the straight-through SharkWerks exhaust with Cargraphic 200 cell units giving possibly the best exhaust note of any forced induction Porsche I've heard.

Alex says this car currently represents something similar to a stage one tune, though in my opinion there's no need to take the car any further. Usable in terms of both practicality and performance on road, a track session at Willow Springs circuit 48 hours later reinforces its perfect blend of GT2 prowess with GT3-like progressiveness. As a true driver, I promise you will want nothing more.

All too soon, we reach the Lick Observatory at Mount Hamilton's summit, offering a panoramic view over San Francisco's Bay Area. The vista before me is absolutely breathtaking, yet in all honesty I couldn't care less, for behind me, the GT3 and GT2 are sat awaiting the drive back down the mountain to our base, their cooling engine components 'pinging' away delightfully under the hot Californian sunshine.

Remember that quote from Ferry Porsche? Well, it rings true of the efforts of Alex, James and Dan too. In the GT3 3.9 and 650bhp GT2, SharkWerks have simply taken two of the most revered 911 platforms we'll ever see – and bettered them.

#### Magnus Walker and the GT2 Livery

While our journalistic intent is to study how Sharkwerks have better-engineered the 997 GT2, we couldn't possibly complete the feature without mentioning that livery. Designed by Magnus Walker after he and fellow British ex-pat, Alex Ross, agreed a week-long loan deal for the car, discussions soon turned to its simple white hue, where Alex implied Magnus should design a modern take on his #277 livery to replace it. "We'll do better than that," Magnus replied, promptly designing the vibrant livery you see in our pictures. The inspiration? Porsche's 2010 GT3R Hybrid, of course.

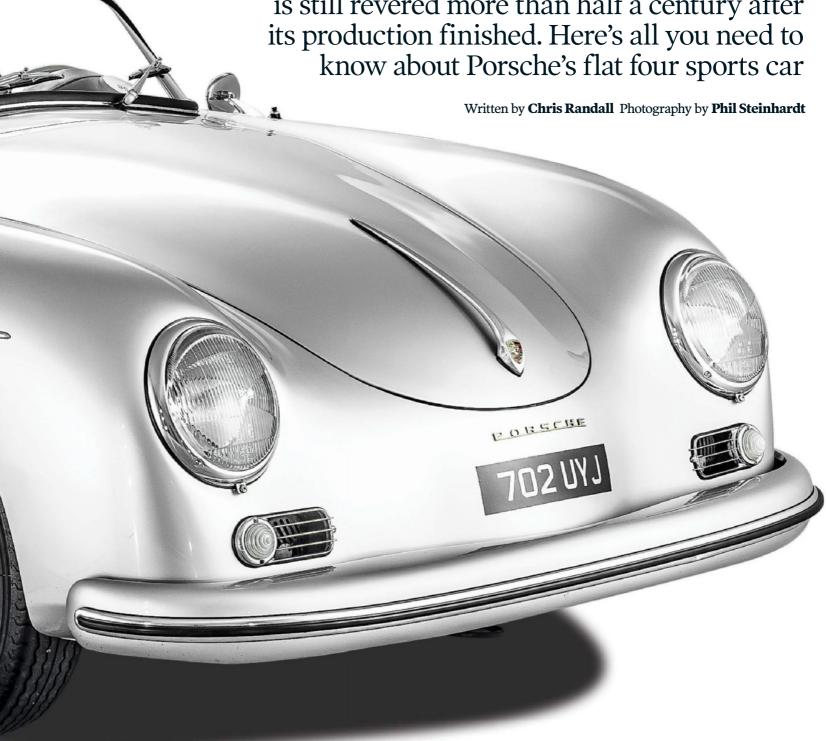
Alex found favour with the initial renderings and sent the car away for its new livery to be painted onto it. That was back in January 2015 and while the GT2's new skin has undoubtedly divided opinion since, we rather warmed to its aesthetics in the metal. Whether it 'mangles your Mezger' or not is besides the point. Alex himself insists the livery is just a bit of fun, and stands as the most pertinent reminder that the spec of any Porsche is a very personal matter indeed





## PORSCHE 356

It was the car that led to the iconic 911, and it is still revered more than half a century after



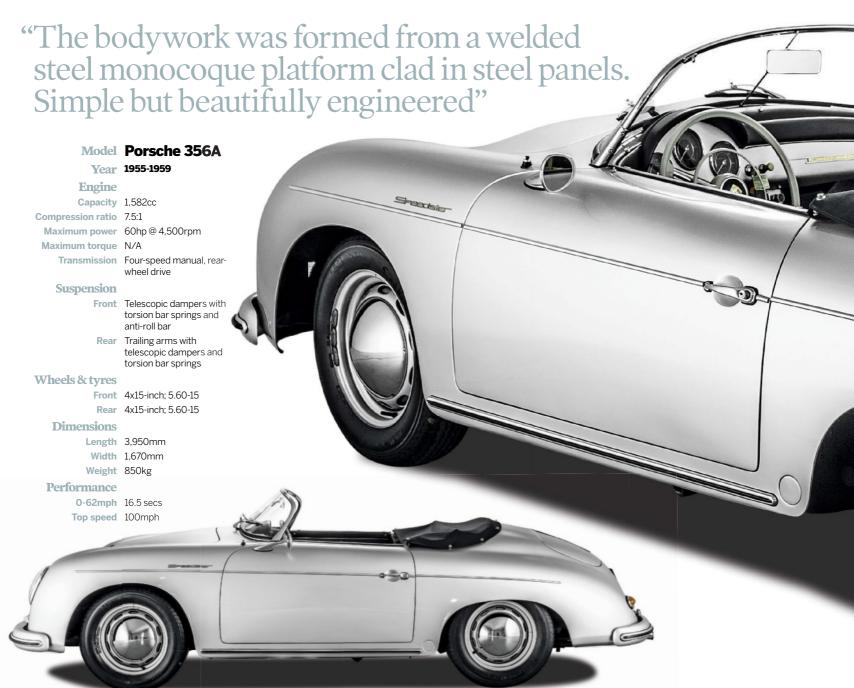
ust in case you were wondering, you are still reading Total 911. It's just that this month we decided to take a closer look at the very genesis of our favourite sports car, without which there would be no 911. Designed by Erwin Komenda, the 356 was launched in 1948 and stayed in production for almost 20 years, the last examples rolling out of Zuffenhausen in 1966. The very earliest cars were actually constructed at Gmünd in Austria, with bodywork fashioned from handbeaten aluminium. Narrower and lower than later models, around 50 were made this way before production switched to Zuffenhausen in 1950, the bodywork now in steel and built by Reutter. In an interesting side note, Porsche would buy Reutter in 1963, although the seat-making arm would continue separately, later adopting the

well-known Recaro name. But before we go any further, now is a good time to summarise the key developments in the 356's history.

The first major change would come in 1955 when the 356A arrived (the earlier cars now known as 'Pre-As'), featuring numerous detail changes to the body and with the option of larger engines. The 356B arrived in 1959 with further changes to the panel-work and bigger bumpers (bumper overriders were standard from mid-1956, and the twin exhausts exited through the rear items soon after), while 1964 saw the final incarnation in the shape of the 356C. The bodies were also known as T2, T4, T5, and T6 variants and were available in Coupe and open-top forms, the latter proving tricky to negotiate as an observer, as they could be had as a Roadster, Cabriolet, Speedster, and Convertible D at various

times during production. Oh, and then there were the Notchbacks built only in 1961-62. Indeed, the broad spread of models and changes make the 356 range something of a minefield and could take up the whole magazine, never mind just this feature. Around 77,000 cars were built in total during the 356's production, with the 'B' model by far the most numerous at almost 31,000 examples. There would be approximately 7,600 'Pre-A' cars, 21,000 'A' models, and over 16,600 'C' models.

Anyhow, back to the car itself and those Gmünd models aside, the bodywork was formed from a welded steel monocoque platform clad in steel panels. Easier and cheaper to make, they were simple and robust but beautifully engineered. Impressively aerodynamic, too, as Porsche brochures of the day liked to point out. They'd also grow in size over the generations, the panels







#### "The 1,600cc engine of the 356A took over 16 seconds to reach 0-60mph"

taking on a flatter and slightly less curvaceous form, and by the time the 356C ended production, additions included twin ventilation grilles in the engine cover, opening front quarter-light windows, and delightfully neat tear-drop rear lamps. A further distinctive feature of the 356's development was the shape of the windscreen. Initially of a split design, it would become the 'bent screen' before a curved item was adopted for the 'A' model onwards. Externally, the early cars were also quite austere in appearance and it wasn't until later on that more chrome and additional styling flourishes would brighten its distinctive look.

But if you thought the model designations were complicated, the engine range was even more bewildering. Take a deep breath: the air-cooled, flat-four units were available in capacities of

1,086cc, 1,131cc, 1,286cc, 1,290cc, 1,488cc, 1,498cc, 1,582cc, 1,588cc, and 1,966cc (I think that's all of them!). Availability depended on the model and age of the 356, but essentially the engine grew in size as the generations progressed. Power outputs were modest to say the least, the smallest engine putting out just 40bhp, although the Pre-A would ultimately boast up to 70bhp in Super form, while later generations managed to achieve a more Porsche-like 130bhp.

The all-alloy engines were fed by a pair of Zenith, Solex, or Weber carburettors - again, it depended on model, and the early cars had single-choke items with twin-chokes adopted soon after - with either OHV or DOHC valve gear depending on model type, while the 1,300cc featured Porsche's clever chrome-dot

lined cylinder bores that reduced friction. Over the years, further innovations would arrive including the use of Biral liners for the cylinders and a forged crankshaft. As you'd expect, the performance on offer was some way short of the mind-bending numbers we've become accustomed to with the 911. Even with a 1,600cc engine fitted, a 356A would take just over 16 seconds to crack the 0-60mph benchmark, and would manage just 100mph flat out. Mind you, that performance was delivered with a character that made sheer numbers something of an irrelevance.

As for the rest of the driveline, the rear wheels were driven via a single plate clutch and four-speed manual gearbox, with the early models fitted with Volkswagen units that lacked synchromesh. It would be 1953 before doubledeclutching could be dispensed with, the 356 getting a patented Porsche 'Servo Synchromesh' transmission that was subjected to regular updates over the years for greater quality and driveability. It would spawn Type 644 and Type 716 versions,



the former utilising a single-piece aluminium casing rather than the previous split item.

Derived originally from the Volkswagen Beetle, the suspension was simple yet effective in the best Porsche tradition. Up front was an independent set up featuring telescopic dampers and laminated torsion bars along with an anti-roll bar, while the rear utilised the same dampers and torsion bars located by trailing arms. Swing axles would arrive later for the rear, along with a compensating leaf spring, and while the handling of a 356 was considered by some to be tricky at the limit, it rewarded a delicate approach and time spent learning how to get the best out of it. Much like the 911, then. Volkswagen also provided the worm and nut steering box for the 356, although it would be replaced by a ZF worm and peg system in 1955 that had a quicker ratio, and that would also feature a hydraulic damper to reduce kick-back, through a rim that was now larger to reduce steering effort. As for stopping the lightweight sports car, things were a little more low-



#### **BUYING TIPS**

- **History:** Never buy a 356 without knowing the history and how it's been cared for. With so many variations and changes over the years, research is crucial in ensuring the car you're looking at is what it claims to be. Getting it wrong could be very costly.
- Bodywork: A 356 will rust just about everywhere, and you need to pay close attention to the wings, inner and outer sills, floor, and bulkhead to name just a few areas Eradicating all traces of corrosion will cost a fortune, and full restoration could approach six figures.
- Engine: Make sure you know what engine is fitted as the range is complex. The units are reliable with prop-maintenance but be extremely wary of excessive oil leaks, smoke from the exhaust, or an engine that runs badly. Don't be fooled into thinking their simplicity translates into low re-build costs. It doesn't.
- terior: Probably the least problematic area of a urchase. Generally durable, a decent trimmer cal ort most issues. Look out for wiring in poor condi bodged 12-volt conversions.

tech for the majority of 356 production, because at each corner you'd find hydraulically-operated drum brakes. Measuring 11 inches in diameter and with 72 axial cooling fins, the drums were aluminium with steel liners. Disc brakes wouldn't appear until the arrival of the 'C' model and it all seems like a long way from the world of ABS and 'Big Reds'. Most versions used steel wheels in either 15-inch or 16-inch diameters, although the designs varied over time, and some models ran on desirable Rudge wheels with knock-off spinners. All told though, these sort of incremental but carefully considered improvements were very much at the core of the Porsche ethos, and would stand the company in very good stead for the development of the 911.

Turning our attention to the interior, clicking open the lightweight door revealed a cabin that, while delightfully simple, was also superbly assembled. Seats were compact bucket affairs, while the closely-grouped dials were set in a metal dash that was usually painted the same colour as the body, and there was the minimum of switches. Indeed, Porsche were already championing the safety and ergonomics of the 356, with features such as the dash-top foam pad and paint finish on the switches aiming to reduce unwanted reflections. Electrics were by a six-volt

system for most models, although some versions had switched to 12 volts by 1958. The slim-rimmed steering wheel, spindly gearlever, and floor-hinged pedals would all be instantly familiar to the driver of an early Neunelfer. Rear passengers were catered for, but in reality the tiny seats were of little use and were best folded down to provide additional luggage space, there being almost none available in the compact nose which housed a fuel tank of 11-12 gallons and a spare wheel. Of course, it won't come as any surprise that Porsche improved equipment levels during the 356's lifetime, and later models boasted refinements such as a steel sliding sunroof, an electric clock, lockable glovebox, an internal fuel cap release, and windscreen washers.

Unfortunately, we've barely been able to scratch the surface when it comes to this special car. Throughout production, developments came thick and fast and attempting to cover them in any detail would require a heck of a lot more space than we have here. However, even the most cursory of looks reveals a car that was every inch a proper Porsche, one that provided a superb foundation for the models that you normally see amongst these pages. Boasting legendary quality and a very special driving experience, it's hardly any wonder they are so sought after today.















help but think that the ability of turbocharged 911s to shrink continents always shouts louder than their performance credentials. It is, therefore, a relief when my UK leg of the journey ends at the Eurotunnel. A trip across northern France lies ahead. This is where the real fun begins.

French roads are a joy to drive. You just have to watch out for the gendarmerie, especially in a 991 Turbo S; it's hardly shy and retiring. With a clear ribbon of autoroute extending ahead, I let the Turbo S stretch its legs, shaking off the lethargy of our earlier car shuttle journey. 560bhp under my right foot allows indecently fast progress across the rolling countryside of France's north-eastern corner, yet, from behind the wheel, the Turbo S is eerily composed.

After catching one last glimpse of the coastline, I turn further inland at Abbeville. So far, the Turbo S has failed to really get my blood pumping but, 100 comfortable kilometres further down the A28, the featureless, flat landscape suddenly begins to ascend and descend more vicariously as we approach Rouen. The hills before me offer up the possibility of some more scintillating roads on which to play - and I know exactly where to go.

Skirting underneath the city centre, I turn off the N138 at the village of Les Essarts, heading south on the D938 for half a mile or so before I spot it just after crossing under the A13 to Le Mans. A bus stop. This ignominious monument marks the start line of a track that hosted the French Grand Prix during the 1950s and 60s: Rouen-Les-Essarts. Unlike Reims-Gueux, all that remains of this once great venue is a few concrete steps in the undergrowth (previously leading to a grandstand) and the bus stop sign that humbly reads, 'Circuit Auto.' You would never guess that this is the home of Porsche's one and only Grand

In 1961 Porsche stepped up to the Formula One World Championship. Using a car based on the 718 sports racer, Stuttgart's prancing horse secured three podiums during its maiden Fl campaign (all with American driver Dan Gurney at the wheel), however a Grand Prix victory eluded them. The following year, Porsche introduced an all-new car - the 804 - in a bid to take the fight to Ferrari and Lotus, but the flateight powered machine proved unreliable. At the 1962 French Grand Prix though, the stars aligned

and Gurney ran near the front throughout. When Graham Hill and Jim Clark hit problems, 'Dan the man' was there to take the chequered flag - a full lap ahead of the remaining field. Despite this, at the end of the season, Ferdinand pulled the plug on the program. Porsche has not been back to Fl as a manufacturer since.

While the circuit's infrastructure was demolished in the early 1990s, the majority of the public roads that make up the 4.065-mile track still remain. From the start line at the bus stop, the road drops down dramatically through the first sweeping right-hand corner, before the notorious left-right at Six Fréres. A further descent takes you to the Nouveau Monde hairpin bend, where a sharp right takes you off the D938 and onto the D132. From here the track becomes more technical, bordered by steep banks on either side. Climbing steeply on this side of the circuit, the biggest challenge is the heavily-cambered left of Virage Samson. The track runs on slightly further before you reach the N138, built over the old back straight. Today I'm forced to traverse the forest road used in the 1951-54 layout, rather than follow in the 804's exact wheel tracks.

Through the downhill sweepers at the start of the lap, the Turbo S's composure (seemingly at odds with the car's size) is mesmerising. The faster I go the more the 991 seems to stick to the tarmac, no doubt aided by the active aerodynamics that I've set to their most aggressive profile with a prod of the Sports Plus button. At the bottom, the huge carbon ceramic brakes are truly superb at slowing up the 991's 1,605kg weight in time for the hairpin, with a pedal feel that is a night-and-day ahead of any other 911 road car. Whether on track or road (or, in this case, a track made of roads) they never fail to impress me, especially the sensation of 1.0g+ decelerations.

The way the 991 Turbo S stops is matched by the way it goes too; stepping hard on the gas out of Nouveau Monde, the torque vectoring

















systems unload the full 700Nm of torque to all four corners effortlessly, shooting me up the hill towards turn five with the ferocity of a fighter jet on afterburners. Climbing the hill towards turn six, the variable geometry turbines come into their own, ensuring that the Turbo S continues its inexorable pursuit towards Virage Samson. I can't stop a small smile from creeping across my face as I marvel at the technological brilliance of the 991 Turbo S, yet I still feel detached from the experience of piloting the car through such challenging parcours.

Virage Samson highlights more flaws in the Turbo's character too. Despite the negative camber helping me to hug the apex, the extra heft of all that electromechanical wizardry,

for the first time, forces the 991 to show its true colours, especially through the mid-corner phase where it no longer feels lithe and nimble. Instead, it feels every inch the grand tourer: composed but not electrifying. Even with the VTG, the 3.6-litre flat six struggles for that immediate punch too, something that I'm in sore need of as gravity tries its best to wipe out my entry speed. Coupled with the overly-light steering and PDK paddles, I'm left wanting something more analogue with which to tackle Rouen's legendary tarmac. A 911 with a similarly classic character would be perfect, but the 991 Turbo is just too focussed on the future to fit in to these surroundings.

Le Mans is the perfect end point for my day's driving; at this year's 24 Hour race, Porsche

competed under the slogan 'Mission: Future Sportscar.' By the time the Turbo S blasts onto the D338 (known to race fans as the Hunaudières) the sun has nearly reached the horizon, bathing the iconic Mulsanne Straight in a warm, inviting glow. Bereft of its two chicanes, I have no doubt that this 991 could top the 301kph top speed (achieved by the fastest 911 RSR at this year's race) by the time I reach the Mulsanne Corner, three and a half miles down the road. If only the roads were closed... It's hard to put my finger on why but, as

#### "The PDK 'box shifts down through the gears with Teutonic precision and a meaty woof from the exhaust"

the Armco barriers flash past the side windows, the Turbo S feels instantly more at home in these iconic environs. Braking for the Virage du Mulsanne, the PDK gearbox suddenly makes sense, blipping its way crisply down through the gears with a meaty woof from the exhaust as each shift is executed with Teutonic precision.

Whereas at Rouen I was merely following in the wake of Porsche's past heroes, on the Circuit des 24 Heures I feel more connected to Weissach's present and future glories. For the next few miles I am Nick Tandy or Earl Bamber, with all the technology inside the 991 helping to form my illusion rather than fight against it.

On the high-speed run towards Indianapolis and Arnage, the Turbo S comes into its own,

shooting out of Mulsanne before greedily chewing its way through the forest. Dropping down one gear, the right-hander before Indianapolis is dispatched with so much grip that you'd think you were driving a proper racing car with full down force, the serrated curb on the apex failing to upset the perfect balance. The combination of PDK and the 991's mid-engine-esque dynamic allow me to slow deep into Indianapolis with my left foot, before immediately switching to the throttle with my right, a seamless blend between

braking and devastating acceleration. The short chute to Arnage is nothing but a blur before I'm hard on the brakes again, tackling the slowest corner on the 8.47-mile circuit. Now the hairs on the back of my neck really

are standing on end. This is what it's all about.

As the sun disappears below the horizon I bring the Turbo S to a stop at Le Mans' famous finish line. Among the bright colours and modern pit buildings, this is where a modern turbocharged 911 deserves to be. The blend of high-speed composure and low-speed punch makes it the perfect partner for lapping Le Mans. Less weight, less complexity and a manual gearbox would provide greater thrills on more technical tarmac, but, at Porsche's spiritual home, an intensive day behind the wheel has made a forced induction future look infinitely less frightening. After all, if a turbocharged 919 is good enough for Mr Tandy, turbocharged 911s are surely good enough for mere mortals like us, no?



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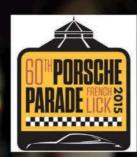
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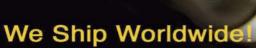


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## ERNST FUHRMANN THE INSPIRATION BEHIND THE 911 TURBO

Porsche's first CEO is usually maligned as the man who tried to kill off the 911. But there is far more to his Porsche career than this misconception, as **Total 911** investigates...

Written by Kieron Fennelly Photography by Porsche AG

he dominance of the 917 was such that the FIA banned it: after two Le Mans wins and the prospect of another Porsche walkover in 1972, the Paris-based organisation passed the 3.0-litre rules, designed to exclude Zuffenhausen's all-conquering 5.0-litre racer. Porsche turned to the North American Can-Am series where, to rival the power of the 8.0-litre McLarens, it turbocharged its flat 12 and promptly won the 1972 and '73 championships. This success excited Porsche's new CEO Ernst Fuhrmann, who saw the potential for a turbocharged 911.

Family run concerns are prone to disagreements, as the Porsches and Piëchs discovered, and the problems of integrating each of Ferry's and Louise's children into the family firm worsened as the 1960s wore on. In 1970 the ruling families decided that Porsche needed professional, non-family management to end the often paralysing internecine warfare. To manage the business on their behalf, Ferry thought of his erstwhile colleague Ernst Fuhrmann.

Fuhrmann had recently quit Goetze, so Ferry deputed Helmut Bott and Ferdinand Piëch to see how interested he might be in returning to Porsche. They made him an attractive offer: Ferry would stand back to become chairman of the supervisory board of the new Porsche AG and Fuhrmann would be managing director, with R&D at Weissach and production at Zuffenhausen under his command. With Bott as his second in command, Fuhrmann accepted: he was unemployed and Porsche was offering far more than the promotion he had aspired to back in 1956, which he had not been offered at the time.

Dr Fuhrmann, the only Porsche CEO who has ever been a "total car nut," according to his former assistant Tilman Brodbeck, who knew them all well, was always interested in the racing scene. After Porsche's victorious 1970/1 season with the 917/10, there was plenty to excite him. The next competition object would be the Canadian-American series, the Can-Am, which through the Penske team and Mark Donohue would result in two consecutive championships for the turbo charged 917/30. Both he and Ferry recognised that after the positively grandiose



917 program, Porsche would have to cut back its racing budget and Fuhrmann also saw that, given the development time and budget a new production model would require, the 911 would need to remain Porsche's mainstay for the foreseeable future: he also understood the importance of racing for Porsche's electorate and at his urging, the Carrera RS 2.7 was developed for GT racing. He had to overcome a conservative Porsche establishment and won his case through strength of character. It proved an inspired move: the RS famously sold out and its track derivative, the brutal 2.8 RSR, won at Daytona in February 1973 before homologation was even complete.

Porsche was not alone in turbocharging racers and turbochargers were now on several car manufacturers' agendas: in 1971-2, factory turbocharged BMW 2002s had the measure of naturally aspirated 91ls in the German championships. Fuhrmann had his engineers dust off their early turbo projects: he envisaged a new high performance 91l which, homologated for racing, would sustain Porsche's racing reputation relatively cost effectively. He was also keen to

have a 911 Turbo himself and by spring 1973 was driving a prototype 2.7 Turbo. Launched at the 1974 Paris Salon, the series production 911 Turbo 3.0 – the 930 – was a far bigger success than Porsche imagined, endowing the company with a genuine supercar and bringing a new and wellheeled clientele into the Porsche fold. The 400 unit FIA homologation requirement was achieved in a few months and by 1977, barely three years later, the 911's track supremacy reached its zenith with customer turbocharged 934s, and 'silhouette' 935s dominating GT and sports car racing. As Le Mans victories accrued, Porsche would become a byword for turbo mastery.

Fuhrmann was an engineer's engineer: in his first years as CEO he occasionally liked to involve himself in projects instead of going through his subordinates, dealing directly with Valentin Schäffer for example, who was carrying out the preproduction turbo installation: this used to exasperate technical director Helmuth Bott; Fuhrmann also liked to try the latest technology and had his 930 fitted with an early ABS system, though he quickly had it removed (and vetoed



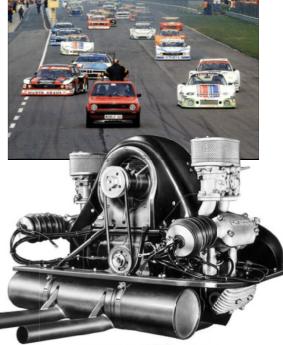
#### "Fuhrmann had his engineers dust off their early turbo projects: he envisaged a new high performance 911"

further development) when the system failed completely and he sailed across a busy crossroads, miraculously without accident. Often imperious, the Austrian could also be extremely personable. Mark Donohue recalled how Fuhrmann had sought him out after the American finished a bitterly disappointing fourth at Riverside in 1972. A pit misunderstanding had cost him a certain win, though Porsche still took the Can-Am title. In his autobiography, Donohue recalls how, disconsolate, he had gone back to his motorhome in the paddock only to have Fuhrmann knock on the door: "He said: 'You should have won, let's have a drink.' And he produced a bottle of whisky which we drank without ice or glasses: it showed me how much he appreciated what I had done for Porsche and what a fabulous down-to-earth guy he was."

When Ernst Fuhrmann arrived at Zuffenhausen the future of cars like VWs and the 9ll was in doubt because of impending American emissions and safety regulations. But he saw this as his opportunity to make a Porsche according to his own interpretation. This amounted to a kind of better engineered Chevrolet Corvette, because, as Tony Lapine, who had the widest US experience put it, the Americans would be unlikely to outlaw the kinds of cars they were making themselves. Hence the futuristic-looking 928, which combined a front-mounted and water-cooled V8 with Fuhrmann's famous transaxle – the gearbox mounted at the rear to achieve near perfect weight

distribution, an obsession of his. The 928 proved a very fine GT but, knowing observers remarked, built by the wrong company. Few in Porsche liked it – too far from the Porsche tradition, said Horst Marchart, the man who would later mastermind the 986-996 platform. The 928 drove a wedge between Fuhrmann and Ferry Porsche as the latter understandably felt the Porsche heritage was being usurped, even if crucially he failed to say so openly. The experience seemed to turn the CEO in on himself. He lost interest in racing, became angry and shrill with subordinates and issued his famous *verbot* on further 911 developments, even threatening Bott with consequences if the latter pursued his Speedster project.

The 928 nevertheless won the 1978 European Car of the Year award, but in Ferry's absence, it was a lonely triumph for Fuhrmann. Antagonism increased when Ferry discovered that his managing director had not followed up a four-wheel drive project in conjunction with Piëch, now at Audi NSU. Such technology would have been incompatible with the transaxle, but typically Ferry and his CEO had never discussed it. Fuhrmann became more defensive and unapproachable and his sense of isolation increased as Ferry moved his office to Ludwigsburg to avoid seeing his CEO on a daily basis. This surreal standoff couldn't continue and mutual friends arranged for Fuhrmann to retire elegantly by taking a vacant professorship at Vienna Technical University.



**Top right:** Liqui Moly and Georg Loos 935s lead at Nürburgring start, 1980. The dominance of the 935 lasted well into its second decade

**Left:** Helmuth Bott and Ernst Fuhrmann extolling the virtues of the new Porsche Turbo to Herbert von Karajan (centre) and PR manager Manfred Jantke

It is easy with hindsight to say he was wrong to want to phase out the 911, but in 1972 it was uncertain whether the 911 concept could survive and, in any case, few car designs could now expect to last the 15 years of the 356. As for the 928, in its early years almost as many units were sold as 911s; its transaxle siblings, the 924 and later 944 provided vital turnover for more than a decade and broadened Porsche's market. In 1991, journalist and author Randy Leffingwell journeyed to Teufenbach in Austria to interview Ernst Fuhrmann, now in retirement. Reflecting on his departure from Porsche, he told Leffingwell: "The 928 failed because it wasn't a 911. I said to Dr Porsche I was prepared to go any day he had a new man capable of starting a new (post-911) program." Fuhrmann maintained his three achievements at Porsche were: the four-cam engine, turbocharging the 911, and giving Porsche engineers their head. He believed that in 1972 he had saved the company.

Small in stature, Ernst Fuhrmann had to make up for this disadvantage, says Karl Ludwigsen in *Porsche: Excellence was Expected*, through sheer competence. And that he did: a brilliant engineer whose enthusiasm inspired, and whose vision for the 911 put it on race tracks and in the public eye, effectively creating through its storming second decade the icon it would later become. If he made any error it was in not recognising this. His continued obsession with leaving his mark on Porsche finally blinded him to the fact he already had: his legacy is the 911 Turbo, arguably the most recognisable and aspirational sports car of the 20th century.

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Buying or selling a 911 at auction is likely to be outside of many people's comfort zone, but are their concerns justified? **Total 911** investigates...

Written by **Chris Dearden** Photography by **Ali Cusick** 

n a recent poll, Silverstone, home of the British Grand Prix, emerged as the most popular race circuit in Britain. It was there where I found myself heading in October, to view a choice selection of Porsches: some rare and highly desirable models. And these cars weren't to be found in the pits, but in the cavernous halls above. Any records broken weren't lap times, but sale prices. I was attending the first of what looks set to become another prestigious annual event for Silverstone: the Porsche Auction.

Car auctions have a mixed reputation. At one end of the scale lay the back alley sales, with tired trade-ins changing hands for small rolls of fivers, where only the fearless or foolhardy chance their arm. At the other end, are the sales from auction houses like Bonhams or Silverstone, where rolls of fivers acquire you nothing more than an auction catalogue, yet an altogether more reassuring ambience is on offer. But after the canapés have been sampled and flutes of fizz drained, is an auction like this somewhere wise to buy, or sell, your 911?

It's Saturday, 10am, and the halls are just opening for viewing before the event itself the following day. The unruffled atmosphere offers no clue to the colossal amount of work done beforehand to enable today's event to take place. Months ago, owners began contacting Silverstone about the possibility of including their Porsche in the auction. Each was rigorously checked to ensure it was suitable and likely to meet Silverstone's standards, after which all available documented information on the car was presented to a valuation committee, who agreed











a guide price. The car of any owner wanting to proceed with the auction then had to be officially photographed, its history vetted, and an accurate catalogue description written.

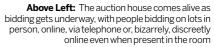
Silverstone had sent me a catalogue to preview, but seeing a car in the metal is always different. I start to work my way around the hall with a silly grin on my face, exquisite details across the vast hall vying for closer inspection: a flatnose silhouette one side, a GT3 RS decal on the other, a ducktail spoiler, and some Fuchs wheels. This is clearly a really eclectic collection, and the quality supports Silverstone's assertion that they only took the best third of what they had been offered for this auction.

Only after a couple of hours have I begun to get the measure of the sale. The jewel in the crown is probably a white 1972 "early 500" full homologation 2.7 RS Touring, guide priced at £375,000-£425,000. As a sign that this is a car to be enjoyed rather than locked away, it's currently

running a magnesium block engine, with the rare, original and unused RS block coming with it as part of the sale.

My personal fantasy-purchase radar has alighted on a pair of 930 SE Turbo Flatnoses, both guided at £150,0000-£170,000, which together act as bookends to the entire right-hand drive flatnose factory production. Lot 244 is a 1985 in silver metallic, and was the first of only 50 built with right-hand drive. Every option box seems to have been ticked, including the rare Recaro C seats, and the highly desirable engine upgrade to 330bhp. In contrast, Lot 248 was the last built of the fifty, and is in immaculate Baltic blue metallic. It also features an upgraded engine, this time courtesy of Ruf Automobile. Its new owner will be able to discover what a heady 450bhp under their right foot really feels like.

It's easy to assume that this auction is not for the average man or woman in the street, but I've counted a dozen cars with guide prices below



**Below Left:** Auctioneers have to demonstrate the right balance of clarity and entertainment

£25,000. My personal favourite in this range is a 1986 3.2 Carrera Coupe SSE, in Guards red, with Turbo Look factory options.

Chatting with other viewers proves interesting. Some are there just for the entertainment, but others will definitely be bidding tomorrow. They become easy to identify, their worried frowns a telltale sign as they cross-check engine and chassis numbers, and look searchingly for hidden ripples in the bodywork. One man checking out a particularly nice 993 mentions that he was offered one just like it a couple of years ago for half the guide price. Sadly this is easy to believe, but the interesting question is whether the same comment will apply in a further two years time.

Mick Pacey, owner of the 3.2 Carrera modified to 2.7 RS specification, which featured in the 100th issue of Total 91l, is in the hall and I ask him why he has chosen this auction to sell his much loved car, and he replies: "It's a straightforward way to sell, with none of the associated hassles of selling privately. The market seems buoyant at the moment, and Silverstone are waiving the auction registration fee for Porsche Club owners." He continues, "I'm hoping for a good result so that I can move on to my next Porsche."

At this point, anyone seriously thinking of bidding needs to head for the history desk. Faultless paintwork and chrome can be highly seductive, but Silverstone advise it is the paperwork that requires the really thorough investigation. Verbal claims of engine rebuilds or full service histories are worth little if they can't be authenticated. The number of people with heads buried in document folders suggests





#### Is that because they were not up to the Silverstone standards?

"No, it is great to have the £250,000 to £500,000 cars, but you also have to have the £30,000, £40,000 and £50,000 cars at the other end too. We try to filter out the sub £30,000 cars to our daughter company 'Classic Car Auctions', to leave Silverstone with the best of the breed."

#### Are there any cars here today that you are particularly excited about?

"I do like that rather sexy little green Porsche over there, because it has the best of everything. It's been put together by Porsche GB, and I love the colour. What's it going to make? It would be great if it topped £150,000. It has been a funny year for classic cars. We started with all guns blazing, and it had been like that for two or three years. I think we are all aware now that possibly the tide is just beginning to turn a little bit. Part of our job now is to communicate market forces back to vendors, to give them that up to date information that things are perhaps not where they were. Some things are going up, and some are actively going down."

### There was an awkward moment at your Silverstone Classic Auction where a bidder tried to back out after the hammer went down. Would you have pursued it if they had actually turned and walked away?

"What people have to remember when it comes to bidding is that there is a legal perspective. If someone bids and it is a genuine mistake and the hammer has not fallen, we would frown on it but we would let it go. But when the hammer falls it is a done deal and we would certainly pursue it. After all it is your responsibility to ensure that you are bidding on the right lot, that it is the right increment, and that you have heard correctly."

## "If you've not been to an auction before, come to an auction, leave your wallet at home, and get a feel for it"

Given the current Bonhams Auction House court case, should anybody here today be asking, 'Do I need to worry' (Bonhams are involved in a high court case where the purchaser of a £10.9 million Ferrari discovered after the sale its ownership was in dispute)?

"The great thing about auctions is that everything is available to view, the catalogue is published weeks in advance, there is plenty of time given for prospective purchasers to satisfy themselves as to authenticity. But always, if the item that is sold is not as per catalogue description, if there has been an error or omission in good faith, and if, usually within 14 days of the sale, the purchaser can prove that there has been a mis-description, then the

auctioneer will refund the hammer price and the buyer's commission."

#### Can you offer a couple of words of wisdom for potential buyers?

"If you have not been to an auction before, come to an auction, leave your wallet at home, and get a feel for it. If you identify a model that you like, then buy the very best example you can afford. Speak to the auction house and find out everything you can about the car, then set yourself a price limit. But be prepared to say no because there will always be another car along on another day that might fit better into your price category, or there might even be a better car."













**Above right:** Bidding at auctions can be fast-paced, with the average amount of time spent on each lot lasting for approximately three minutes

**Left:** Silverstone Auctions' first Porsche-only event garnered huge interest, with a variety of cars available from right across a wide spectrum of values

potential buyers have done their homework. A lack of paperwork doesn't necessarily mean a car has to be avoided though, but it does raise questions that can have an impact on value come auction time.

Sunday arrives without that unexpected windfall required for me to bid on the 3.2 Carrera, so it looks as if I'm going to have to watch someone else take it home. The morning's 'automobilia' sale acts as a warm-up for the afternoon's action; it's entertaining to see vintage Porsche prints, posters, watches and even Fuchs wheels, but you can sense that the electricity in the air is for the day's main event. Lunch over, auctioneer Jonathan Humbert explains the procedures, then opens proceedings with lot 201, a 1960 356B, described as a "winter restoration project." Minutes later, its new owner is £14,000 poorer, but with a very enjoyable winter ahead.

The sale progresses with Jonathan dispatching a car on average every three minutes. His skill, humour and scrupulous fairness mean that bidding need not be daunting, even for the auction virgin. Some lots are predictable, racing up to around their guide price before the hammer sends the cars off to their new home.

Others are less so, as when two buyers make it plain that they are both determined they are going to have it in their garage by this time next week. This is when guide prices mean little, and I find myself reflecting on some anonymous wise words: "It only takes two people to get dumb in a room for a car to sell for far more than it is worth." The atmosphere crackles. Buyers are bidding by phone,

online, in the room, or even, bizarrely, by phone in the room. Scratching your nose will probably not be taken as a bid, but a raised hand or catalogue will, and it's worth remembering that this is as much a legal contract as a signature on the dotted line. A cool head, un-muddled by alcohol or adrenaline, is advisable.

Jonathan Humbert had confessed to me earlier in the day that his favourite car of the auction is a Viper green 1970s RS replica. It was designed and built by Porsche Centre Reading in 2014 as a one-off project to compete against all of the other Porsche centres as part of their '50 years of the 911' restoration competition. With the power to weight ratio of a 1974 race specification RSR, and built by top Porsche UK technicians, it would have cost twice today's £125,000-£150,000 guide price if built for a private individual.

When Richard Green saw it listed in the auction, he flew down from Worcester to see it that day and made a mental commitment to secure it at auction, though he has entrusted the actual business of bidding to nine-year-old son Harry, sitting in the front row with Dad. He shows no hesitation in raising his hand to counter all of the overseas phone bids, and he finally wins it for Richard with a bid of £154,000. Richard later admits, "I would have gone up to £200,000."

Even for spectators like me, it's impossible to avoid getting sucked into drama like this. Each sale is inevitably a momentous event for both buyer and seller, all with their own unique backstories. Martin Herman came today to buy his first Porsche, preferably a Turbo-bodied model.

And he goes home with arguably the bargain of the day: a 1986 Supersports Cabriolet, guided at £40,000 - £45,000, which he buys for £34,000. The grin still hasn't left his face an hour later. And Mick Pacey's RS-look 3.2 Carrera? It goes for £25,500 to twin brothers Paul and David Richardson, from Sunderland. After celebrating turning 60 the previous week, they'd decided to invest their pensions in their first ever Porsche, and are particularly pleased that it is in the colours of their beloved Sunderland FC.

Meanwhile, that gem of a 3.2 Carrera Coupe I had been lusting after eventually goes, to my chagrin, for just under the guide price. With this in mind, I spend the drive home from the Midlands debating whether I would consider an auction purchase myself.

I bought my current 911 privately, probably because my risk-averse nature has always balked at the idea of actually committing to a serious purchase at an auction. But after what I have seen at Silverstone, with the safeguards seemingly outweighing the risks, I think I've changed my mind. When the time comes for a new 911, I'll be back at Silverstone, and if the right car comes up at the right price, I'll be waving that catalogue in the air.

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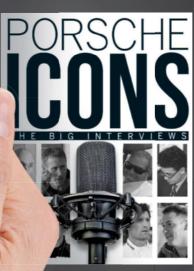


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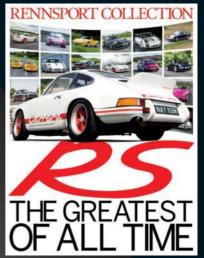
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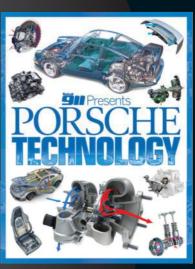


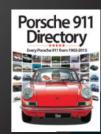














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2007 997.1 GT3



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t well over 100mph, I am approaching left-hand turn number 12 at Barber Motorsports Park, trying to maintain maximum speed by trail braking through the turn, when I feel the rear end of the car start to slide to the right, so I quickly flick the steering wheel to correct the slide. But I must be too late or have over corrected, because now my GT3 starts spinning like a bottle top on the track and keeps spinning as I slide off the track and onto the grass, coming to a stop after two very fast and violent spins on the dry grass, just short of the gravel trap.

The good news is that I haven't hit anything, and aside from a thick layer of pulverized brown Bermuda grass, which is now covering

every surface inside the car, I think my car's unharmed. It has stalled during the spin, so I try starting it, and after it does so on the second try, I carefully re-enter the track and drive into the pit lane, where a Chin Motorsports staffer checks out my car and asks about the incident.

"Just carrying too much speed going into turn 12, lost it and spun, but the car is fine," I tell him sheepishly, and with a few words of encouragement and caution, he lets me return to the track. Yes, my car is handling just fine, but it's the driver that clearly needs a tune up!

One of the Chin Motorsports chief driving instructors, Bob Towery, volunteers to go out with me during one of my sessions the following day, and I quickly take him up on the offer. Before heading out on track, we go over

the track map and discuss the lines he wants me to take, and where I should (and should not be) changing gears. He stays quiet for the first two laps, getting an idea of how I approach the course, and then starts giving me some very specific coaching. We concentrate on using even more of the track, especially going all the way over the curbs (and not just a part of them) at turns eight, ten and 13. This more aggressive angle through the turns allows me to "straighten out" quicker, which means I can put down the power that much sooner. My trail braking is fine, but we eliminate the downshift from fourth to third between 12 and 15, and between one and four; keeping the power up through these sections allows me to stay in a higher gear and not risk upsetting the car unnecessarily (as I did the previous day in turn

#### 1999 996 Carrera 4



**Rob Clarke** Bristol, UK

**Date acquired:** February 2014



hate to admit it but I do like other cars apart from Porsches – especially classic cars. This month I went to the Autumn Classic at Castle Combe, an event that only features cars on track pre-1966.

Disappointingly, there were no classic Porsches on track but plenty of pre-impact bumper cars in the car park, but for me the highlight of the day was the 1959 Aston Martin DBR1 – ex Sterling Moss, ex Le Mans, you will have seen this car in the news as it was involved in a crash that day, but I saw it in its full glory before the incident. My full respect goes to the owners of these classics who don't let them sit and gather dust, but let them do what they are designed to do, which is race! So, any classic race breed Porsche



owners out there, try and get there next year! Onto my car, what have I done with it this month? Er, nothing! I would like to say that I have been working on my to do list but alas, I have not even cleaned it this month.

As mentioned earlier in this issue, the inaugural **Total 911** Awards took place in October and it was good to get the opportunity to meet many new Porsche fans. There were some very interesting cars at the venue of Hexagon Modern Classics, specifically a Leyton House Porsche 962! It was also good to see cars on display that had featured in previous magazines, specifically one of the oldest 911s in existence, owned by Alex Karidis (featured issue 130). If money was no object I could have spent it all there!







12). As I get comfortable with these new lines and shift points, Bob keeps pushing me to go faster and faster and use more and more of the track, and by the end of the 30 minute stint I am completely soaked with sweat and literally drained of adrenalin.

"Is that the fastest you have ever driven here?" asks a smiling Bob. "Yes, no question about that!" I answer with a laugh.

"You have exceptional car control and you are very fast," Bob continues. "But at times you are a bit too cautious, so the good news is, you can go even faster!" I thank him profusely for his help, and while cooling off with my car in the paddock I reflect on the fact that, even after 12 years and thousands of miles on track, I still have an awful lot to learn – plus an awful lot of grass to vacuum out of my car!





Gina Purcell Oxford, UK

**Date acquired:** September 2004 & April 2014



ou may recall seeing a picture of my stricken SC on the back of a Swedish recovery truck and might be wondering what happened. In true Nordic Noir tradition, my car keeled over and inexplicably died. But who or what killed Steffi?

Myself, husband Al, and a few friends in their 1986 911 Turbo, plus eight other cars, had been on a two-week tour of Scandinavia. Our SC and their Turbo were the brace of air-cooled cars amongst a modern selection of European cars. Europe and the whole Scandinavian region had been enjoying a midsummer heatwave of high temperatures, but our itinerary demanded we cover several hundred punishing miles each day.

Day one claimed the Turbo on a motorway near Eindhoven, following intermittent power, a colossal backfire and an undignified stop on the hard shoulder. They rejoined several



days later in a hired Mercedes saloon. Three days from the end of the break, and 2,800 miles later, Steffi suffered exactly the same symptoms as the Turbo, expiring just one mile from our Swedish overnight hotel stop. Ten minutes before, we'd struggled to get fuel in the car at a Rästa fuel station; we were convinced that the pump had switched supply tanks and subsequently delivered the dregs of dirty, sludgy fuel from the tank's depths. Steffi started reluctantly, ran roughly, hesitated, backfired spectacularly and stopped. Aircooled honours were truly in tatters.

We continued in the saloon to Copenhagen, where we flew home, with Steffi taking an unimpressive five weeks to be repatriated to BS Motorsport. Company director Neil Bainbridge diagnosed a fried CD unit and a tank of fuel described as "almost incombustible" as the culprit, solving the case of the Swedish SC murder. Case closed.

#### 1979 930 3.3



**Richard Klevenhusen** Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Date acquired: May 2012 ecently I had to have a body repair on my car. This is something I don't like to do, but sometimes you don't have a choice – so, how do you choose a good business to provide such a service?

It is not uncommon to have very different estimates from various workshops. A shop can give you a lower estimate, while another could charge twice the price for the same work. What is the difference? And when is it okay to pick the cheapest store? Here are some tips for choosing the right store to work on the body repair of your Porsche, especially when you are the one paying the bills.

#### 1. Pay attention to previous client opinions

Any company can advertise, but you'll do better with a store that friends, family or acquaintances have recommended. A business that has proven it can satisfy customers may not be the biggest or most well-known store in your area. In some cases, you can get a recommendation from a small shop, where the owner works on the cars himself. This seems much more personal and helps you to understand what will actually be done with your car. Also take a look at car forums for further advice.

# 2. Consider the body shop's size and location

Large body shops with a large number of workers will likely have to charge higher rates of pay to its employees, which can make your bill grow quickly. While service provided by desk staff, managers and mechanics gives some people a sense of confidence in business, this may result in costs that are filled with non-essential work.

Workshops use reference guides that estimate the number of hours required to perform common repairs. Let's say someone





has damage to his fender, bumper and headlight. The mechanic will write an estimate for the amount of hours it'll take to fix it, according to that guidebook.

On the other hand, the most sophisticated stores may decide to charge for things in the grey area – things that they *may* have to do to fix the problem. These high quality estimates may include a fee for time spent removing the hood and door, while the trial is not to undertake this additional work. This can happen in large and small workshops.

#### 3. Get several quotes

Take your car to several workshops or body shops for quotes, as this is the best way to avoid overpaying. Many mechanics have no problem matching the quotes of other workshops. And, while it is important to





protect against being excessively overcharged, you should not just take the lowest quote as this may be reflective of the quality of the materials used and the effort employed on the job. If it's too good to be true it probably is!

#### 4. Follow your intuition

Finally, it's important to trust your intuition. If a store's not busy, it may be because customers are avoiding it because of shoddy repairs. If it's really dirty, messy or disorganized, this may reflect the quality of work you might expect from the store. Is the manager grouchy? These are all things to consider. You will be happier with a workshop that looks, sounds and feels professional. Don't judge a book by its cover. There are very organised stores that are very bad, and the opposite is also quite possible, too.

2005 997.1 Car<u>rera S</u>



Chris Wallbank

**Date acquired:** November 2012

ow! It's hard to believe that I will have owned my first 911 for a full three years by the end of this month – time really does fly! I can honestly say I do not regret one minute of ownership. In fact every time I open the garage door the car still puts a smile on my face.

It's actually the longest I've ever owned one car, a fact which is also a testament to how much I like my trusty 997, and it's not been one bit of trouble in the 12,000 miles or so I have covered either. Although I'm not going to lie, I have thought about changing it in those three years, and especially more recently, but every time I have the same dilemma... what would I change to? There are two very different 911 models that I would love to own, which I have had the opportunity to drive recently and love for

two very different reasons – a manual 2006 997 Turbo and a 993 C4S wide body. I love the 997 Turbo purely for it's outright pace and staggering acceleration, which is a match for most supercars on the road, but the 993 C4S just seems to deliver that raw 911 driving experience, which is completely different to the newer 997s and 991s. However, with the recent rise in the 993's price and with 997 Turbos holding their value, it's going to be summer 2016 before I can realistically consider changing! So, for now, I'm going to concentrate on enjoying my 997 for a few more months.

In other 911 news, I had the pleasure of shooting Geoff Benson's show stopping 1987 red 3.2 Carrera SSE last month, featured in issue 133. What a great day I had shooting this stunning car, it was absolutely immaculate inside and out!





#### 1967 912 & 1979 911 SC



Sean Parr Harpenden, UK Dates acquired: November 2014 &

May 2015



fter last month's tales of despair, it's a different story this issue. This has been a month of progress and exciting Porsche happenings. I have been thoroughly enjoying my newly fettled and dramatically improved (by the lovely Max at Revival Cars) Porsche 912, including a fantastic trip with my lovely wife Julia to Knoll House Hotel in Studland Bay, Dorset. We packed the overnight bags and Bill the dog and set off for a weekend of Three Go Wild In Dorset (the Knoll House Hotel used to have children's writer Enid Blyton as a long term guest) and we had a ball.

The 912 ran like a Swiss watch all the way down, around and back, which after the previous month from hell was a welcome relief! The only problem encountered was when the handbrake knob shot off during a ride on the Sandbanks Ferry. It pinged off under the seats, rendering the handbrake temporarily useless. But the car was a revelation in its running, it was absolutely wonderful. I have always loved this car, but its pace and "fizz" has always left me a little cold, wishing it had two more cylinders, which makes me feel like a terrible snob, after all, it's a proper Porsche 356 engine, not some ratty VW convert. Once Max at Revival Cars had spent some time (and money) on it, it's honestly a completely different car. It revs and revs, right up to the 6,200rpm limit, it pulls all the way through, and it sounds marvellous, although now I have a hankering for a Twin Exit Pea-shooter style exhaust to make an even better sound. More cost, I suppose!

The good news is that I am completely in love with the 912 again, I mean properly in love all over again. Which leads me to yet more lovely Porsche news this month. I decided that the 912 really needed Fuchs — I like the steelies and Porsche hubcaps, but I love Fuchs wheels — and I got a great set of flat sixes for the car through meeting a strange man at J33, just off the M4 in South Wales. The extra width helps fill out the arches and looks fantastic! I am utterly chuffed, although now I will need to get the suspension fully sorted, along with new shocks and bushings to bring the handling in



line with the look of the car and the sound of the engine.

The next bit of good news is my 911 has been (partially) painted! Tradeworks have finally got some Guards red out of the gun and onto the SC and it looks absolutely fantastic, although it needs some further cutting back and prep to get it right, but it looks like glass. There's still a way to go, but the wings, doors, boot and engine lid, filler cap and mirrors are all primed and ready to go. Just waiting for the rubber.

So the final piece of the Porsche jigsaw is rubber. Thanks to Richard in Spare Parts at Porsche Centre Hatfield, as well as the PET, I have a box full of seals, horns, mouldings, air hoses and reflectors. The cost was absolutely astronomical – I have bought several cars (at the same time) for less money! But, the crazy thing? Porsche Classic prices were dramatically cheaper than any of the UK third party suppliers! So, reassuringly expensive but the car is going to look fantastic, as the bodywork is now perfect and the paint job will be world class. But, if I'm keeping the 912 which I am - it's unlikely I can keep the 911, so if anyone is interested in buying it, drop me a line via editor Lee, it will likely be for sale in the spring, but it won't be cheap!







997 Cup
David Grover
Harpenden, UK

**Date acquired:** July 2015

e are all prepped and ready for our next test day outing at the famous Donington circuit on 3 November, with the well-known organiser RMA. I will have completed the event, hopefully successfully and in one piece, by the time you are reading this. With full instruction alongside me in the shape of UK Ferrari GT Champion, Calum Lockie, we are now looking to push the car in more tricky weather conditions to see how it performs on both slicks and full wets.

When I bought the car it had four sets of useable rubber but now we are moving onto brand new Pirelli black stuff for the first time. Typically, the 'pros' tell me this gives a one to two seconds per lap advantage. Although we have already got close to the wear lines on the discs, so they will now get an update and a full winter prep, ready for 2016 and early season testing.

I have been comparing and setting target times for the forthcoming day in wet and dry conditions, using data from recent Donington races, such as the GT Cup, and lap times set by the original driver of the car from new, William Plant. My car has a fitted VBOX performance meter and the latest HD GoPro camera, which both help me to record all of my activities, both good and bad.

The reason for all this in depth analysis is that I have decided to enter

analysis is that I have decided to enter the GT Cup next year, which means that I will be racing alongside very experienced and well-known motoring talent. In 2015 the series also included celebrity judge Paul Hollywood, from the Great British Bake Off, in his Aston Martin GT4. So there are exciting times ahead, leaving me with the winter to get the car ready for its first season under my novice guidance and to sort out sponsorship. As for the race, I know that racing standards will be a step up in speed, as we race against much faster equipment, including the latest Ferrari 458 and Audi R10 variants. Hopefully I'll at least be able to see the back of some similar looking cars as we complete the first lap!





1994 993 Carrera 2 Kyle Fortune Warwickshire, UK

Date acquired:

here's the year gone? Now it's getting dark, cold and wet I'm probably not alone in thinking about hibernating the car over winter. I've read a lot about what you should and shouldn't do when storing cars, but to be honest, while I'm likely to use the 911 a bit less over the worst of the winter months, I do fall into the camp of it's best just to get them out for a run every few weeks – it's a hell of a way to rotate the tyres to stop flat spots. The salt on the roads can be an issue. But it's nothing a good wash won't sort out.

Thing is, when it's dark and miserable, what better way to lighten the mood than going out for a good drive? I've been on a few this month, leaving all sorts of faster, more exotic stuff on my drive, preferring to take the 911. Call me old fashioned, but I just like how it steers, and specifically the feel on offer. So many new cars I have driven are so technically adept and so fast that they're dull at ordinary speeds, and the last decade has seen steering feel confined to the history books.

That's with the exception of McLaren's 570S which I drove earlier in the month, its steering still brilliant because McLaren has stuck with a hydraulic system. Speaking to the company's engineers they reckon the not insignificant trade off in CO2 emissions is worth it for good steering. I cannot help but wish that Porsche took that stance, as while the electrically assisted system is among the best out there, a recent drive in both a 996 and a 997 demonstrates that not all progress is good.

progress is good.
I've just driven the 991 Gen2 too,
which you can read about in these
very pages. Porsche has always been
good at incremental, detailed changes
to its cars and I don't doubt that its
turbocharged engines will impress, but
I hope someone's been busy with the
steering, too.

#### 2011 997.2 GT3 RS & 2015 991 GT3



**Tony McGuiness** San Diego, USA

Dates acquired: February 2011 & December 2014







our years ago I drove my GT3 RS to
Laguna Seca to attend Rennsport
Reunion IV. It was the most amazing
Porsche event I had ever seen, so I couldn't
wait for Rennsport Reunion V this past
September. While I was unable to drive either
of my 911s up to Laguna Seca, I still had a
fantastic time and was staggered by the
sheer number of people who had driven their
Porsches up to the Rennsport event. There
were 911s and other Porsches everywhere
you looked in Monterey, and if you hadn't
booked a hotel early, you were probably out
of luck.

The Porsche Corral parking area had sold out. Learning this news played a part in my decision not to drive one of my GT cars up

there. In the end, I was very pleased I chose not to take one of my 911s, as the available general parking was on the side of a hill with numerous bumps and dips. The low fronts on both of my cars would not have come away from that parking area unscathed.

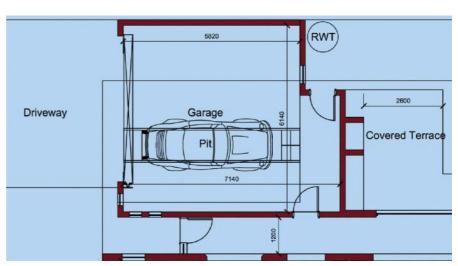
If I am honest, I enjoyed Rennsport Reunion IV in 2011 a bit more, but this was probably because it wasn't as crowded and the weather was a bit cooler four years ago. However, viewing the "Legends of Le Mans" cars up close gave me goose bumps, while getting my photo taken with Jacky Ickx was the icing on the cake! Attending Rennsport makes you even more aware of the amazing history of our beloved 911s. I have already begun the countdown to Rennsport Reunion VI.

#### 1978 911 SC



Wilhelm Lutjeharms Cape Town, South Africa

**Date acquired:** January 2015



ast month I reported on the progress of the garage, and this month there is another garage update, although it is not the same garage.

Owing to time constraints, a toddler and future planning, we will hopefully move house next year. However, the new house will be built within a security estate – a rather common theme here in South Africa – which means you have to abide to strict design regulations.

When I told the architect that I wanted a pit on the Porsche's side of the two-car garage so I can potentially work on my car, he got very excited (he has a BMW GS motorcycle and had a W123 Mercedes-Benz sedan). He knew which year my car was, so imagine how pleased I was when the first draft of the house plan arrived and there was an impact-bumper 911 parked in the garage above the planned pit!

Although there is obviously some additional cost involved in building a pit versus a standard flat-floored garage, especially in terms of waterproofing, that cost will easily be offset against the money saved by working on the car myself. The plan is also to add two wall sockets and two lights in the pit. Now for the very long wait until everything is finally in place and I can finally start work on my Porsche.

#### 2003 996 Turbo



Ray Chandler Surrey, UK

**Date acquired:** August 2011 have paid a double visit to my local OPC recently. The first was an invite from Adam Flint, the Porsche centre's principal, inviting me to an evening event entitled "A Question Of Motorsport." I have to say that Porsche Centre Guildford throw a good party, with lots to eat and drink as well as excellent entertainment.

But what was particularly special and praiseworthy was that, as part of Guildford OPC's community outreach program, the senior aftersales manager of Porsche Retail Group, Simon Dyer, and Charlotte Hargreaves. the centre's PA, had contacted the local Guildford College to ask if students on the catering courses would attend the evening to prepare the snacks, drinks, main courses and desserts for Porsche's guests. The young trainee chefs and their support staff were superb and helped make the evening a success with excellent service and excellent food. Simon is a firm believer in supporting apprentices and young people, and this is reflected in the latest OPC restoration that was on site during the evening, which had been taken back to a body shell by the first and second year apprentices.

On stage a very good natured and highly entertaining minor war of words was bubbling between the old master, Tim Harvey – Porsche Carrera Cup Winner, BTCC Legend and ITV







Sport Commentator – and the much younger and highly talented Porsche Carrera Cup Driver, Paul Rees. Later on in the evening, "A Question Of Motorsport" got underway with teams drawn from the guests who helped out the two captains. Greatly enjoyed by all.

On my second visit, the following day, I dropped my 996TT off for some work. The last time it was in for service work, a noise was heard from the belt drive and associated pulley wheels and tensioners. So that is to be investigated, with the suspicion of a tensioner wheel bearing being the culprit. The next job is to replace the seized bleed nipples on the calipers. I'm not sure if the 996 has an Achilles heel here, as I've suffered with this problem in

the past on one of the rear brake calipers. Now it is the front calipers causing concern. An air bag test is due; quite simply an air bag is uncoupled from the system, which should then promptly report the fault. An excellent check to undertake, as I would not want to discover the hard way that the system is actually quietly defunct. As the air-con has not been topped up or re-gassed for nearly three years, that's also going to be attended to, and a red tracer dye will be injected to determine if there are any visible leaks. I thought that was it in terms of service requirements, but recently on a cool and very wet evening, the driver's heated seat refused to stay on. I am hoping that's just a failed relay, but I'll let the you know how it all went.



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ow many people in the Porsche 911 world do you know with a PhD in seabed geomorphology? I'd hazard a guess that, right now, you're struggling to conjure up even a single name. That is unless you know Alan Drayson, founder of Canford Classics (a man who knows more about the shallow water seabed formations around the Dorset coastline than most).

"Once I finished [in higher education], I started a business in what the PhD was about," Drayson explains. With an office and a staff of 'sometimes ten to 12 people', he went to work in a suit until 'the grating lifestyle' caught up with him.

"Tve been working on cars since I was a kid, like kids do when you transfer from your BMX to a motorbike and a motorbike to a car," enthuses Drayson. "I bought my first Porsche – a 912 from America – when I was 17. I had that for six months and realised there was no power, so I put a 911 engine in it at 18 years old!" Along with classic Volkswagens (his first car was a Beetle), Drayson has always had a passion for Porsches. During his PhD studies he "probably imported between 30 and 40 911s from America. Maybe more." After work and on weekends, Drayson could be found

in his garage working on cars until his future wife, Dominique (now sales and marketing manager at Canford) said, "Why don't you just carry on and do this full-time?" That moment, "eight or nine years ago", was the birth of Canford Classics.

The Dorset countryside is home to many wondrous vistas. But, if you can pull yourself away from the outstanding natural beauty of the area, there are not many sights more visually arresting than the daily scene at Canford. Nestled away in a quiet corner between Dorchester and Poole (near the coast that Alan studied for his PhD) the pastoral premises is a veritable cornucopia of classic 91ls for, if you want your air-cooled Neunelfer returned to a factory fresh finish, there are not many better than Drayson's team. Chasing the perfect restoration is undeniably their raison d'être.

"I just absolutely enjoy it," Drayson beams. "I still don't take compliments that easily though, to be honest," he adds. He's remarkably modest for a man of his talents. In issue 126, we drove a 1972 2.4E fastidiously restored by Canford Classics and described it as "perfection." However, Alan isn't satisfied: "I still think there's more to learn. There are better ways and there are always different processes to try, different techniques, and we're

forever trying to investigate, down to making your own specific tools, using different paint finishes, different guns on different paints. We always want to get better." And, by his own admission, he does feel that they're moving forwards. In the eight issues that have passed since that remarkable test drive, Drayson's team have improved to the point where he admits that he is "probably doing two or three days work for free" whenever a car they restored three or four years ago returns to their rural workshop. "I'll go, 'Oh, we used the wrong bolt there' or 'We've remade that part now, I'll go and fit it for free.' But I probably don't tell half our customers," he jokes.

It's that sort of passion for his job that puts Canford Classics a step ahead of many in the Porsche 9ll restoration game. But it's not just Alan who has such enthusiasm; the entire team have an insatiable passion for Porsches, something you can always see on their faces whenever you visit their den, deep in the Dorset countryside. "All of them are second to none," Drayson points out. High praise indeed. Passion can only take you so far in any business though. Thankfully, Alan and the team have the skill to back it up, something that is led by Drayson's years of experience.











"When I started detailing suspensions, trying new processes, and posting on forums, no one else did that kind of thing," he explains. "Now it's a standard practice to show a photo of every single part [during a restoration]."

Much of Alan's almost boundless knowledge of early Porsches is self-taught. Somewhere, between the PhD and the time fettling in the garage, he found the hours to search and read everything he could about classics 91ls, absorbing it all. Today, the man is a walking encyclopaedia of Zuffenhausen trivia, with all that learning – which Drayson is adamant continues to this day – passing into each restoration. Canford's quality, as that 2.4E proved, is second to none, something Alan feels is a result of his PhD studies: "Every single sentence had to have a reason for being there. Otherwise my supervisor would say, "Why are you writing that?" That level of detail is what transfers into our cars."

In order to control that quality, most of the work for any restoration is carried out in-house. Engine and gearbox work is done upstairs (a few paces away from an Aladdin's cave of spare parts), with Canford able to do everything from cylinder head and engine case work to crankshaft polishing, while the lathe is used "to make all the little bits and bobs that you need" during any rebuild. They've also just started remaking carpet in collaboration with a carefully chosen supplier, while the planning permission was recently granted to move their

paint shop next to the main workshop – a move that will give Alan even greater control over auditing. Having sprayed a few cars in his youth, he's even going to pick up a gun and get in the booth himself, just so that he can get some experience and understand what it's like. For Drayson, it's important to be on the shop floor rather than behind a desk. Identifying as a mechanic first and foremost, he is most comfortable when in overalls.

Away from the much-vaunted restorations, is there anything else Alan wants to shout about? "It's really difficult, because we do pretty much anything and everything," he explains. And, with a little bit of digging, it becomes clear that they really do, from Fuchs refurbishment and seat retrimming to simple servicing for their loyal base of enthusiastic customers.

The big thing is the new showroom, housed inside a converted mill. A simple space big enough for four cars, the building marks a new step forward for Canford. "I'd love to afford cars like Hexagon but this business started from £1 and me," explains Drayson, pointing out that cars featured in the showroom will be a mixture of sale-or-return stock and 91ls owned by the business. Alan wants to keep it simple, providing customers with one or two options rather than "snow-blind them with 50 cars." Having been running for "maybe eight or nine years and only just able to develop a showroom," he is aware that it's taken some time for Canford to

# **Company profile**

- Proprietor: Alan Drayson
- First opened: 2007
- Location: Winterborne Kingston, Dorset, UK
- Rarest 911 through the workshop: The 1987
  Frankfurt Motor Show car, a Porsche 930 3.3 painted
  in a three-stage pearlescent gold. "They only painted
  three cars in that colour, and that was the only 911,"
  explains Drayson.
- Favourite Porsche 911: "Probably a 2.2S. People's favourite cars tend to be based on experience and, in my university years, I had a Signal orange, right-hand drive, 2.2S. I just had so much fun in that thing!"

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expand in this direction. But he's sure that now is the right moment: "It's organic growth. You get to the stage where it's right to do and it's necessary."

With such a pragmatic approach to business, it's no wonder that Canford Classics has quietly built up such a mighty reputation. With an unerring focus on knowledge and quality, their handiwork is deservedly renowned. It would be surprising if, in years to come, their retailing doesn't come with a similar seal of approval.



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911s in the data file are organised in rows according to release date, beginning with the very first model in 1964. Many models were available in Coupe, Targa and Cabriolet forms. with the option of automatic transmission. Here, data has been provided from the Coupe variants unless stated. All data here has been compiled, where possible, from Porsche's own figures.

#### General valuations: AV



This reflects the general market trend for a model's used value compared to the previous financial quarter. The next review will be March 2016. The last was for December 2015.

#### Ratings: \*\*\*

Each model is rated out of five in our half-star system according to their performance, handling, appearance and desirability.

#### (0 series) 911 2.0-litre 1964-67



The 911 that started it all off when the prototype appeared in 1963, this is the car that set the style for all 911s to follow. Developed to replace the 356, a four-pot 912 was also made.

Production numbers:	9,250
Issue featured:	12
Engine capacity:	1,991c
Compression ratio:	9.0:
Maximum power: 130bh	@ 6,100rpn
Maximum torque: 149Nm	@5,200rpn
0-62mph:	8.3se
Top speed:	131mp
Length:	
Width:	1,610mn
Weight:	1,075k
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	

Rear: 285mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 4.5x15-inch; 165/80/R15 Rear: 4.5x15-inch; 165/80/R15



### (0 & A series) —

#### **911S** 1967-68



Porsche soon produced more powerful variants. The first of these was the 911S - for Super - which had

Production numbers:	4,01
Issue featured:	114
Engine capacity:	1,991c
Compression ratio:	9.8:
Maximum power:160	)bhp@6,600rpn
Maximum torque: 17	9Nm@5,200rpn
0-62mph:	8.0se
Top speed:	137mpl
Length:	4,163mn
Width:	1,610mn
Weight:	1,030kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 285mm discs	

Wheels & tyres: Front: 4.5x15-inch; 165/80/R15 Rear: 4.5x15-inch; 165/80/R15



#### (A series) -911L 1967-68



In 1967, the 911 was updated and the range expanded: the 911L (Lux) was standard and sat alongside th high-performance 911S and entry-level 911T.

Production number	rs:1,603
Issue featured:	n/a
Engine capacity:	1,991cc
Compression ratio	9.0:1
Maximum power:	130bhp @ 6,100rpm
Maximum torque:	173Nm@4,600rpm
0-62mph:	8.4sec
Top speed:	132mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,080kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	;
Page 285mm discs	

Wheels & tyres: Front: 5.5x15-inch; 185HR Rear: 5.5x15-inch; 185HR

#### (A & B series) -911T 1967-69



To save money, the 911T's engine used cast-iron cylinder heads, unlike the Biral aluminium/iron items, which

Production numbers: 6,318
Issue featured: 127
Engine capacity: 1,991cc
Compression ratio: 8.6:1
Maximum power:110bhp@5,800rpm
Maximum torque:156Nm@4.200rpm
0-62mph: 8.8sec(est)
Top speed: 124mph
Length: 4,163mm
Width: 1.610mm
Weight: 1,020kg
Brakes:
Front: 282mm discs
Rear: 285mm discs
Wheels & tyres:
Front: 5.5x15-inch: 185HR

Rear: 5.5x15-inch; 185HR

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#### (F series) -911E 1973



series 911s with petrol via the external oil-filler, the filler returned to under the engine decklid. Fitted with the front spoiler of the 911S.

spoiler of the 3110.
Production numbers: 4,406
(including E series)
Issue featured: 117
Engine capacity: 2,341cc
Compression ratio: 8.0:1
Maximum power:165bhp@6,200rpm
Maximum torque: 206Nm@4,500rpm
0-62mph:7.5sec
Top speed: 137mph
Length: 4,163mm
Width:1,610mm
Weight: 1,077kg
Brakes:
Front: 282mm discs
Rear: 290mm discs
Wheels & tyres:
Front: 6x15-inch ATS; 185HR
Rear: 6x15-inch ATS; 185HR
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#### (E series) -**911T** 1972



inclusion of Zenith 40 TIN triple-choke carburettors led to the relatively lower er output of 130bhp despite the new 2.341cc engine size

Production numbers:	16,93
(in	cluding F serie:
Issue featured:	n/
Engine capacity:	2,3410
Compression ratio:	
Maximum power:130b	hp@5,600rpr
Maximum torque: 197N	lm@4,000rpr
0-62mph:	7.6se
Top speed:	128mp
Length:	4,163mr
Width:	1,610mr
Weight:	1,077k
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 5.5x15-inch; 165HR	
Rear: 5.5x15-inch; 165HR	

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#### (E series) -**911S** 1972



A 2.4-litre engine increased torque The mostly chrome brightwork had a black decklid grille with a '2.4' badge External oil filler on right rear wing

Production number	rs:5,054
	(including 1973)
Issue featured:	120
Engine capacity:	2,341cc
Compression ratio	8.5:1
Maximum power:	190bhp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque:	.211Nm@5,200rpm
0-62mph:	6.6sec
Top speed:	140mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,077kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x15-inch; 185	/70/R15



#### (F series) -Carrera 2.7 RS 1973



developed 210bhp. The body was lightened and fitted with flared rear rches and an optional ducktail spoiler

Production number	rs:1,59
ssue featured:	10
Engine capacity:	2,6870
Compression ratio	8.5
Maximum power:	210bhp@6,300rpn
Maximum torque:	.255Nm@5,100rpr
0-62mph:	
Top speed:	152mp
Length:	4,163mr
Width:	1,610mr
Weight:	975kg (Sport
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Poor: 200mm diece	

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#### (I & J series) 911 Carrera 3.0 1976-77



Not sold in the US, the Carrera 3.0 was basically the same model as the previous Carrera, only fitted with a new 2,994cc engine, essentially from the 911 Turbo.

Production numbers: 3,6	
Issue featured:	12
Engine capacity: 2,994	40
Compression ratio:8	.5
Maximum power: 197bhp@6,000r	pı
Maximum torque: 255Nm@4,200r	pı
0-62mph: 6.3	se
Top speed: 145m	
Length: 4,291r	nı
Width: 1,610r	n
Weight: 1,093	3k
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x15-inch; 185/70/VR15	

Rear: 7x15-inch: 215/60/VR15

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# 9303.0



Fitted with a KKK turbo, this was the world's first production Porsche to be turbocharged. Flared arches whaletail spoiler and four-speed

geal box were stariuaru.	
Production numbers:	2,850
Issue featured:	116
Engine capacity:	2,994cc
Compression ratio:	6.5:1
Maximum power:260bhp@5,5	500rpm
Maximum torque:343Nm@4,0	000rpm
0-62mph:	
Top speed:	L55mph
Length: 4,	291mm
Width:1,	775mm
Weight:1,140kg (1,195kg fr	om '76)
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 7x15-inch; 185/70/VR15	

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Rear: 8x15-inch: 215/60/VR15

# 930 3.3

Wheels & tyres:

Front: 6x15-inch: 185/70/R15

Rear: 7x15-inch; 215/60/R15



Larger engine resulted in an extra 40bhp, and an intercooler on top of the engine led to the adoption of a new 'tea tray' spoiler. Brakes were upgraded from 917 racer.

Production numb	ers:5,80/
	(plus '78-'79 Cali cars)
Issue featured:	116
Engine capacity:	3,299cc
Compression ratio	o:7.0:1
Maximum power:	300bhp@5,500rpm
Maximum torque:	412Nm@4,000rpm
0-62mph:	5.4sec
Top speed:	160mph
Length:	4,291mm
Width:	1,775mm
Weight:	1,300kg
Brakes:	
Front: 304mm disc	es
Rear: 309mm disc:	S
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 7x16-inch; 20	)5/55/VR16

Rear: 8x16-inch; 225/50/VR16 \*\*\*\*



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#### (B series) -911E 1968-69



The 911 received its first major update, evolving into what is known as the B series. The 911E replaced the 911L as the 'standard' car. The 'E' stood for 'Einspritz' (injection).

Production numbers:	2,826
Issue featured:	n/a
Engine capacity:	1,991cc
Compression ratio:	9.1:1
Maximum power:140bh	@6,500rpm
Maximum torque: 175Nn	n@4,500rpm
0-62mph:	7.6sec
Top speed:	130mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,020kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 5.5x15-inch; 185HR	
Rear: 5.5x15-inch; 185HR	



#### (B series) -**911S**



Like the E, the S gained a fuel injection boosting power to 170bhp. To help cope with the extra demands on the engine, an additional oil cooler was fitted in the front right wing.

Production numbers:	2,106
Issue featured:	n/a
Engine capacity:	1,991cc
Compression ratio:	9.9:1
Maximum power:170	bhp@6,800rpm
Maximum torque: 183	Nm@5,500rpm
0-62mph:	7.0sec (est)
Top speed:	140mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	995kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x15-inch; 185/70.	/R15
Rear: 6x15-inch; 185/70/	R15



#### (C & D series) -911E 1969-71



Engine improvements included vised cylinder heads, larger revised cylinder neads, larger valves and stronger con rods. 1970 'D' series cars had hot-zinc coated undersides.

Production number	ers: 4,927
Issue featured:	107
Engine capacity:	2,195cc
Compression ratio	9.1:1
Maximum power:	155bhp @ 6,200rpm
Maximum torque:	196Nm@4,500rpm
0-62mph:	7.0sec
Top speed:	137mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,020kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm disc:	S
Rear: 290mm discs	3
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x15-inch; 185	5HR
Rear: 6x15-inch; 185	HR



#### (C & D series) -9115



911S 180bhp. Unlike the 911E, the S didn't gain improved low-down por and torque, so you had to keep the revs up for good power.

Production numbe	rs: 4,691
Issue featured:	120
Engine capacity:	2,195cc
Compression ratio	9.8:1
Maximum power:	180bhp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque:	199Nm@5,200rpm
0-62mph:	6.6sec
Top speed:	145mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,020kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x15-inch; 185	HR
Rear: 6x15-inch; 185h	HR .



#### (C & D series) -**911T**



Like the E, the 911T's torque curve was now flatter making the car more driveable. Ventilated discs from the S were fitted and a five-speed gearbox became standard.

Production numbers:	15,082
Issue featured:	107
Engine capacity:	2,195cc
Compression ratio:	8.6:1
Maximum power: 125bhp	@5,800rpm
Maximum torque: 169Nm	@4,200rpm
0-62mph:	7.0sec (est)
Top speed:	127mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,020kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 5.5x15-inch; 165HR	
Rear: Front: 5.5x15-inch; 165H	⊣R

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#### (E series) — 911E 1972



2,341cc was achieved by increasing the stroke from 66mm to 70.4mm while at the same time leaving the bore unchanged. The new 915

transmission was stronger.
Production numbers: 4,406
(including F series)
Issue featured:117
Engine capacity: 2,341cc
Compression ratio: 8.0:1
Maximum power:165bhp@6,200rpm
Maximum torque:206Nm@4,500rpm
0-62mph: 7.5sec
Top speed:137mph
Length: 4,163mm
Width: 1,610mm
Weight: 1,077kg
Brakes:
Front: 282mm discs
Rear: 290mm discs
Wheels & tyres:
Front: 6x15-inch; 185HR
Rear: 6x15-inch; 185HR
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#### (F series) — **911S** 1973



The 911S had the same upgrades as the 911E, including deletion of the external oil filler. It also adopted black trim around the front and rear lights and black front quarter grilles

Production number	ers:5,054
Issue featured:	56
Engine capacity:	2,341cc
Compression ratio	<b>):</b>
Maximum power:	190bhp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque:	211Nm@5,200rpm
0-62mph:	6.6sec
Top speed:	140mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,075kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm disc:	s
Rear: 290mm discs	5
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x15-inch; 18	5/70/R15

Rear: 6x15-inch; 185/70/R15



#### (F series) -**911T** 1973



US-bound F series 911Ts were the first 911s to have Bosch K-Jetronic fuel injection, improving emissions. This was mainly mechanical, with some electronic sensors.

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Production numbers:	16,933
(	including Eseries)
Issue featured:	127
Engine capacity:	2,341cc
Compression ratio:	7.5:1
Maximum power:130	ohp@5,600rpm
Maximum torque: 197	Nm@4,000rpm
0-62mph:	7.6sec
Top speed:	128mph
Length:	4,163mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,077kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 5.5x15-inch; 165HR	l .
Rear: 5.5x15-inch; 165HR	
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(G. H. I. J series) —

Carrera 3.0 RS

Updated version of the 1973 2.7 RS, complete with impact bumpers and Turbo-spec whaletail rear spoiler Steel arches added by hand at the factory, with 917 brakes

Production numbers: 10
Issue featured: 10
Engine capacity: 2,994
Compression ratio: 8.5
Maximum power:230bhp@6,200rpi
Maximum torque:275Nm@5,000rp
0-62mph: 5.3se
Top speed: 152mp
Length: 4,135m
Width:1,680mi
Weight: 900k
Brakes:
Front: 300mm discs
Rear: 300m discs
Wheels & tyres:
Front: 9x15-inch; 215/60/VR15
Rear: 11x15-inch: 235/60/VR15



#### (G. H. I. J series)

#### 911 1974-77



'911' was now the entry level. Bumpers were added to conform to US regs. From 1976, all 911s were hotdip coated and fitted with 'elephant

Production number	rs:9,320
Issue featured:	121
Engine capacity:	2,687cc
Compression ratio	8.0:1
Max power:	_148bhp@5,700rpm
	(165bhp from '76)
Max torque:	.235Nm@3,800rpm
	(4,000 from '76)
0-62mph:	8.5sec
Top speed:	130mph
Length:	4,291mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,075kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front & rear: 6x15-in	ch;185VR

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#### (G, H, I, J series) **911S** 1974-77



comparable to the previous 911E. It had the same body changes as the pase model, and came as standard vith 'Cookie Cutter' rims.

Production number	rs:17,12
Issue featured:	n/
Engine capacity:	2,687c
Compression ratio	8.5:
Maximum power:	_173bhp@5,800rpn
Maximum torque:	235Nm@4,000rpn
0-60mph:	7.0se
Top speed:	142mpl
Length:	4,291mn
Width:	1,610mn
Weight:	
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x15-inch; 185	SVR

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#### (G&H series) 911 Carrera 2.7 1974-76



to range-topping 911. Essentially the same engine as previous year's RS for all markets except USA. Whaletail available from '75.

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Production numbers:

Issue featured:	104,134
Engine capacity:	2,687cc
Compression ratio	8.5:1
Maximum power:	210bhp@6,300rpm
Maximum torque:	255Nm @ 5,100rpm
0-62mph:	6.3sec
Top speed:	148mph
Length:	4,291mm
Width:	1,610mm
Weight:	1,075kg
Brakes:	
Front: 282mm discs	5
Rear: 290mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x15-inch: 185	SVR

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#### **SCRS** 1984



True homologation special built so Porsche could go Group B rallying. Turbo body used lightweight fibreglass panels, while tuned 3.0-litre engine had its basis in 930's crankcase

Production number	rs:z
Issue featured:	109
Engine capacity:	2,994cc
Compression ratio	10.3:1
Maximum power:	. 255bhp @ 7,000rpm
Maximum torque:	250Nm@6,500rpm
0-62mph:	4.9sec
Top speed:	153mph
Length:	4,235mm
Width:	1,775mm
Weight:	940kg
Brakes:	
Front: 304mm disc:	\$
Rear: 309mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	

Front: 7x16-inch: 205/55/VR16

Rear: 8x16-inch: 225/50/VR16

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# 930 3.3



Revised engine added more pov and torque in 1984, while in 1987 Motronic engine management improved efficiency and emissions upon its return to the US market.

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Production numbers:	11,135
Issue featured:	116
Engine capacity:	3,299cc
Compression ratio:	7.0:
Maximum power:300bhp@	5,500rpm
Maximum torque:432Nm@	4,000rpm
0-62mph:	5.4sed
Top speed:	161mpl
Length:	
Width:	1,775mn
Weight:1,300kg(1,335k	gfrom '86
Brakes:	
Front: 304mm discs	
Rear: 309mm discs	

Front: 7x16-inch: 205/55/VR16

Rear: 8x16-inch: 225/50/VR16

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# **Carrera 3.2** 1984-89



Almost the same galvanised body the SC. Engine was claimed to be 8 per cent new, and the first product 911 to feature an ECU to control

rs:/0,044
114
3,164cc
:10.3:1
.231bhp@5,900rpm
284Nm@4,800rpm
5.6sec
152mph
4,291mm
1,652mm
1,210kg
5/65/VR15
/60/VR15

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#### 930 SE 1986-89



race cars, with pop-up headlamps. Front spoiler made deeper to accommodate extra oil cooler, rear intakes fed air to brakes.

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Production numbers:	
Engine capacity:	
Compression ratio:	
Maximum power: 330bh	
Maximum torque:432Nn	
0-62mph:	4.6sec
Top speed:	173mpl
Length:	4,291mm
Width:	1,775mm
Weight:	1,335kg
Brakes:	
Front: 304mm discs	
Rear: 309mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 7x16-inch; 205/55/\	/R16
Rear: 9x16-inch; 245/45/V	R16



Production numbers:	.50 (UK only
Issue featured:	99
Engine capacity:	3,299cc
Compression ratio:	7.0:
Maximum power:330bhp	@5,500rpm
Maximum torque:432Nm	@4,000rpm
0-62mph:	4.6sed
Top speed:	173mpl
Length:	4,291mm
Width:	1,775mm
Weight:	1,335kg
Brakes:	
Front: 304mm discs	
Rear: 309mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 7x16-inch; 205/55/V	R16
Rear: 9x16-inch; 245/45/VF	R16

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#### 959 1986-1988

Rear: 6x15-inch; 185VR



Had tech later used on 911s including 4WD, ABS and twin turbos. A 959S was also available, featuring lighter cloth Sport seats, five-point harnesses and a roll cage.

Production number	rs:33
Issue featured:	10
Engine capacity:	2,8500
Compression ratio:	8.3
Maximum power:	.450bhp@6,500rpr
Maximum torque:	.500Nm@5,000rpr
0-60mph:	3.9se
Top speed:	196mp
Length:	
Width:	1,840mr
Weight:	1,450k
Brakes:	
Front and rear: Ventila	ated drilled discs;
4-piston aluminium o	alipers
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8x17-inch; 235.	/45/ZR17
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## **Speedster** 1989

Rear: 7x15-inch; 205VR



raked windscreen and hood and stripped-out interior. Porsche insisted the simple hood was not designed to be 100 per cent watertight.

Production number	s: 2,274
(for both wid	de and narrow-bodied)
Issue featured:	128
Engine capacity:	3,164cc
Compression ratio:	10.3:1
Maximum power:	231bhp@5,900rpm
Maximum torque:	.284Nm@4,800rpm
0-60mph:	6.0sec
Top speed:	148mph
Length:	4,291mm
Width:	1,775mm
Weight:	1,220kg
Brakes:	
Front: 286mm discs	
Rear: 294mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 6x16-inch; 205	/45/VR16
Rear: 8x16-inch; 245/	60/VR16

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#### 930 LE 1989



Essentially an SE without a slantnose front the I F had the same engine

Production numbers:	50
Issue featured:	110
Engine capacity:	3,299cc
Compression ratio:	7.0:1
Maximum power:330bhp@	5,500rpm
Maximum torque: _432Nm@	4,000rpm
0-62mph:	4.6sec
Top speed:	
Length:	4,291mm
Width:	_1,775mm
Weight:	1,335kg
Brakes:	
Front: 304mm discs	

Rear: 309mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 7x16-inch; 205/55/VR16 Rear: 9x16-inch; 245/45/VR16



#### 3.2 Clubsport 1987-89



Removing 'luxuries' sliced off around 40kg of weight. Revised engine management gave a higher rev limit of 6,840rpm. Suspension uprated and LSD standard.

Production numbers:	340
Issue featured:	126
Engine capacity:	3,164cc
Compression ratio:	10.3:1
Maximum power: 231bhp	@5,900rpm
Maximum torque: 284Nm	@4,800rpm
0-60mph:	5.1sec
Top speed:	152mph
Length:	4,291mm
Width:	1,650mm
Weight:	1,160kg
Brakes:	
Front: 286mm discs	

Rear: 294mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 6x16-inch, 205/55/VR16; Rear: 7x16-inch, 225/55/VR16



# **964 Carrera 4** 1989-93



Heavily revised bodywork deformable bumpers over coil-spring suspension and four-wheel-drive marked this radical overhaul of the "87 per cent new" 911.

Production numbers: 13,35 Issue featured:	
Engine capacity:	
Compression ratio:	11.3:1
Maximum power:250bhp@	6,100rpm
Maximum torque:310Nm@-	4,800rpm
0-62mph:	5.7sec
Top speed:	162mph
Length:	4,250mm
Width:	1,652mm
Weight:	1,450kg
Brakes:	
Front: 298mm discs	

Rear: 299mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 6x16-inch; 205/55/ZR16 Rear: 8x16-inch; 225/50/ZR16



#### 964 C2 Speedster 1993-94



Combined the 964 bodyshell with the 3.2 Speedster plus RS interior. It is

Issue featured:	128
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	11.3:1
Maximum power:2	50bhp@6,100rpm
Maximum torque:3	10Nm@4,800rpm
0-62mph:	5.5sec
Top speed:	161mph
Length:	4,250mm
Width:	1,652mm
Weight:	1,340kg
Brakes:	
Front: 320mm discs	
Rear: 299mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
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#### 964 Turbo 3.6 1993-94



Engine based on modified 3.6-litre 964 unit. Distinctive 18-inch split-rim Speedline wheels covered the big-red brake callipers. Suspension lowered

Production numbers:	1,43
Issue featured:	120
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	7.5:1
Maximum power:360bhp@5,	500rpm
Maximum torque:520Nm@4,	200rpn
0-62mph:	4.8sed
Top speed:	_174mph
Length: 4	
Width:	L,775mn
Weight:	1,470kg
Brakes:	
Front: 320mm discs	
Rear: 299mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	



#### 964 Anniversary 1993-94



'30 Jahre' anniversary 964 utilised four-wheel-drive Carrera running gear. Available in Viola metallic, Polar silver or Amethyst.

Production numbe	rs: 911
Issue featured:	112
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio	11.3:1
Maximum power:	250bhp@6,100rpm
Maximum torque:	310Nm@4,800rpm
0-62mph:	5.7sec
Top speed:	162mph
Length:	4,250mm
Width:	1,775mm
Weight:	1,470kg
Brakes:	
Front: 298mm discs	
Rear:299mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
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Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio	:8.0:1
Maximum power:	.408bhp@5,750rpm
Maximum torque:	.540Nm@4,500rpm
0-62mph:	4.3sec
Top speed:	180mph
Length:	4,245mm
Width:	1,795mm
Weight:	1,500kg
Brakes:	
Front: 322mm discs	
Rear: 322mm discs	

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#### 993 Carrera S 1997-98

Front: 8x18-inch; 225/40/ZR18 Rear: 10x18-inch; 265/35/ZR18



The features that come with the Carrera S are similar to the Carrera 4S's, only this time in rear-wheel drive. Sought after for its superb handling and wide-body looks

Production number	rs:3,71	
Issue featured:	11	
Engine capacity:	3,6000	
Compression ratio	:11.3	
Maximum power:	.285bhp@6,100rpr	
Maximum torque:	.340Nm@5,250rpr	
0-62mph:	5.4se	
Top speed:	168mp	
Length:	4,245mr	
Width:	1,795mr	
Weight:	1,450k	
Brakes:		
Front: 322mm discs		
Rear: 322mm discs		
Wheels & tyres:		
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Front: 8x18-inch: 225/40/ZR18 Rear: 10x18-inch: 285/30/ZR18



# 993 Turbo S



The final hurrah for the last air-cooled 911. With 450 bhp for UK models, it was the fastest and most luxurious road-going model Stuttgart had ever produced. Manual only.

Pro	duction number	ers: 345
Iss	ue featured:	115
Eng	gine capacity:	3,600cc
Co	mpression ratio	o:8.0:1
Ma	ximum power:	450bhp@5,750rpm
Ma	ximum torque:	_585Nm@4,500rpm
0-6	52mph:	4.1sec
Top	speed:	186mph
Ler	ngth:	4,245mm
Wie	dth:	1,795mm
We	ight:	1,583kg
Bra	akes:	
Ero	nt 220mm dian	

Rear: 322mm discs Wheels & tyres:

Front: 8x18-inch; 225/40/18 Rear: 10x18-inch: 285/30/18



Unit 3, Axiom Business Park, 41 Balcombe Road, Horley,

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\_\_\_\_n/a \_\_\_3,746cc

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169mph

4,250mm

1.775mm

1.210kg

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#### 964 Carrera 2 1990-93



Rear-drive Carrera 2 offered an emphatically more traditional 911 empiratically more traditional 311 experience, and was 100kg lighter, but looked identical to the Carrera 4. Tiptronic was a new option.

Production numbers:	19,484
Issue featured:	119
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	11.3:1
Maximum power: 250bhp	@6,100rpm
Maximum torque:310Nm	@4,800rpm
0-62mph:	5.6sec
Top speed:	162mph
Length:	4,250mm
Width:	1,652mm
Weight:	1,350kg
Brakes:	
Front: 298mm discs	

Rear: 299mm discs

Front: 6x16-inch; 205/55/ZR16 Rear: 8x16-inch; 225/50/ZR16

Wheels & tyres



# **964 Turbo** 1991-92



This used the revised 964 bodyshell, extended arches and 'tea tray' wing. The engine was essentially the 3.3-litre unit from the previous model, but updated.

Production number	ers:3,660
Issue featured:	116
Engine capacity:	3,299cc
Compression ratio	7.0:1
Maximum power:	320bhp@5,750rpm
Maximum torque:	.450Nm@4,500rpm
0-62mph:	5.4sec
Top speed:	168mph
Length:	4,250mm
Width:	1,775mm
Weight:	1,470kg
Brakes:	_
Front: 320mm discs	5
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#### 964 C4 **Lightweight** 1991



964 Leichtbau made use of surplus parts from 953 Paris-Dakar project Highlights include four-way adjustable differential, short-ratio gearbox and stripped interior.

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Production number	ers:22
Issue featured:	131
	3,600cc
Compression ratio	):11.3:1
Maximum power:	265bhp @ 6,720rpm
Maximum torque:	304Nm@6,720rpm
0-62mph:	4.5sec
Top speed:	125mph
Length:	4,275mm
Width:	1,652mm
Weight:	1,100kg
Brakes:	
Front: 322mm discs	3
Rear: 299mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 7x16-inch; 20	5/55/ZR16
Rear: 9x16-inch; 245	5/55/ZR16



#### 964 RS 1991-92



Around 120kg saved by deleting 'luxuries' and fitting magnesium Cup wheels. Power was boosted by 10bhp, suspension lowered by 40mm and uprated, as were brakes.

Production number	ers:2,405
Issue featured:	131
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio	11.3:1
Maximum power:	.260bhp@6,100rpm
Maximum torque:	.310Nm@4,800rpm
0-62mph:	5.4sec
Top speed:	162mph
Length:	4,250mm
Width:	1,650mm
Weight:	1,230kg (Sport)
Brakes:	
Front: 320mm disc:	\$
Pear: 200mm diece	

Rear: 9x17-inch; 255/40/ZR17

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Wheels & tyres: Front: 7.5x17-inch; 205/50/ZR17

#### 964 Turbo S 1992-93



180kg lighter than Turbo. Intakes in the rear arches funnelled air to the brakes, while the engine power vas boosted by 61bhp. RS-spec

Production number	ers:81
Issue featured:	108
Engine capacity:	3,299cc
Compression ratio	7.0:1
Maximum power:	381bhp@6,000rpm
Maximum torque:	.490Nm@4,800rpm
0-62mph:	4.6sec
Top speed:	180mph
Length:	4,250mm
Width:	1,775mm
Weight:	1,290kg
Brakes:	
Front: 320mm disc:	S
Rear: 299mm discs	:

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x18-inch; 225/40/ZR18 Rear: 10x18-inch; 265/35/ZR18

#### Rear: 290mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 9x18-inch; 235/40/ZR18 Rear: 11x18-inch; 285/35/ZR18



9643.8 RS

Identifiable by a lightweight Turbo

bodyshell, large rear spoiler and 18

inch Speedline wheels. Power came

from a new 3.8-litre unit with hot-film air sensor and twin exhaust Production numbers: Issue featured: Engine capacity:

Maximum power: \_300bhp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque: \_359Nm@5,250rpm
0-62mph: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_4.9sec

Compression ratio:

Brakes: Front: 322mm discs

993 GT2

1995-96

911 Turbo, but with reduced

equipment. Also included rear-wheel

0-62mph:

Width:

Weight:

Top speed: Length:

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#### 964 RS America 1993-94



Offered in five colours, fixed whaletail wing and two cloth sports seats, with just four options: air-con, sunroof, 90 per cent locking rear differential and stereo.

Production number	ers:
Issue featured:	102
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio	11.3:
Maximum power:	250bhp@6,100rpm
Maximum torque:	_310Nm@4,800rpm
0-62mph:	5.5sec
Top speed:	164mpl
Length:	4,250mm
Width:	1,650mm
Weight:	1,340kg
Brakes:	
Front: 298mm disc:	5
Rear: 299mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
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#### 93 Carrera 1993-97

Wheels & tyres: Front: 7x17-inch; 205/50/ZR17 Rear: 9x17-inch; 255/40/ZR17



Production numbers:	
Issue featured:	110
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	11.3:1
Maximum power:272bh	np@6,000rpm
Maximum torque:330N	m@5,000rpm
0-62mph:	5.6sec
Top speed:	168mph
Length:	4,245mm
Width:	1,735mm
Weight:	1,370kg
Brakes:	
Front: 304mm discs	
Rear: 299mm discs	

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#### 93 Carrera 4 1994-97



Production numbers:	2,884 (Coupe
Issue featured:	11
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	11.3:
Maximum power:272b	ohp@6,000rpm
Maximum torque:330	Nm@5,000rpn
0-62mph:	5.8sec
Top speed:	166mpl
Length:	4,245mn
Width:	1,735mn
Weight:	1,420kg
Brakes:	
Front: 304mm discs	
Rear: 299mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 7x16-inch; 205/55	/ZR16
Rear: 9x16-inch; 245/45/	/ZR16

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# **993 Carrera 4S** 1995-96



Production numbe	rs:
Issue featured:	109
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio	11.3:1
Maximum power:	.285bhp@6,100rpm
Maximum torque:	.340Nm@5,250rpm
0-62mph:	5.3sec
Top speed:	168mph
Length:	4,245mm
Width:	1,795mm
Weight:	1,520kg
Brakes:	
Front: 322mm discs	
Rear: 322mm discs	

ont: 8x18-inch; 225/40/ZR18 ear: 10x18-inch: 285/30/ZR18

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# **993 Carrera RS** 1995-96



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Production numbers:	1,014
Issue featured:	119
Engine capacity:	3,746cc
Compression ratio:	11.5:1
Maximum power:300bhp	
Maximum torque:355Nn	n@5,400rpm
0-62mph:	
Top speed:	172mph
Length:	4,245mm
Width:	1,735mm
Weight:	1,279kg
Brakes:	
Front: 322mm discs	
Rear: 299mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 18x8J, 225/40ZR18;	
Rear: 18x10   265/357R18	

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#### drive, making it a better track car. Fitted with huge front and rear wings and bolt-on arch extensions. Production numbers:

131 Engine capacity: Compression ratio: 8.0:1 Maximum power: 430bhp@5.750rpm Maximum torque: 540Nm@4,500rpm .....3.9sec ....189mph Top speed: Length:\_\_\_ .4,245mm Width: 1.855mm Brakes: Front: 322mm discs; ==

Rear: 322mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 9x18-inch; 235/40/ZR18 Rear: 11x18-inch; 285/35/ZR18

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#### 996 Carrera 1998-2001



An all-new 911 with larger, restyled bodywork and a water-cooled engine Interior was redesigned in order to enable better ergonomic efficiency and more room.

i roduction number 3	
Issue featured:	117
Engine capacity:	3,387cc
Compression ratio:	11.3:1
Maximum power:300bhp@	6,800rpm
Maximum torque:350Nm@	4,600rpm
0-62mph:	5.2sec
Top speed:	174mph
Length:	.4,430mm
Width:	1,765mm
Weight:	1,320kg
Brakes:	
Front: 318mm discs	

Wheels & tyres: Front: 7x17-inch; 205/50/R17 Rear: 9x17-inch: 255/40/R17



#### 996 Carrera 4 1998-2001



per cent of power in normal driving, increasing to 40 per cent when required. PSM used for first time, rolled out across the range in 2001.

Production numbers:	22,054
Issue featured:	111
Engine capacity:	3,387cc
Compression ratio:	11.3:1
Maximum power:300bhp	@6,800rpm
Maximum torque: 350Nm	@4,600rpm
0-62mph:	5.2sec
Top speed:	174mph
Length:	4,430mm
Width:	1,765mm
Weight:	1,375kg
Brakes:	
Front: 318mm discs	
Rear: 299mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 7x17-inch: 205/50/R1	7

Rear: 9x17-inch: 255/40/R17



#### 996 GT3 1998-2000



Commonly called the Gen1 GT3, this was a lightweight 996 with power driving the rear wheels. Suspension was lowered by 30mm and brakes were uprated.

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Issue featured:	11
Engine capacity:	3,600c
Compression ratio:	11.7:
Maximum power:	360bhp@7,200rpn
Maximum torque:	370Nm@5,000rpn
0-62mph:	4.8se
Top speed:	188mpl
Length:	4,430mn
Width:	1,765mn
Weight:	1,350kg
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	
Rear: 300mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8x18-inch; 225.	/40/R18
Rear: 10x18-inch; 285	/30/R18

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#### 996 Turbo 2001-05



air intakes and deep front wing, plus part-fixed, part-retractable rear wing. Different engine to naturally aspirated 3.6-litre 996 unit. Production numbers:

Issue featured:	114
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:_	9.4:1
Maximum power:4	120bhp@6,000rpm
Maximum torque:	560Nm
	@2,700-4,600rpm
0-62mph:	4.2sec
Top speed:	189mph
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,830mm
Weight:	1,540kg
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	
Rear: 330mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	

Front: 8x18-inch: 225/40/R18 Rear: 11x18-inch; 295/30R18 \*\*\*\*

#### 996 Carrera 4S 2001-05



bodyshell, without rear air intakes, but with a full-width rear reflector panel. Suspension and brakes were similar to the Turbo spec.

Production numbers: 23,05
Issue featured: 12
Engine capacity: 3,596c
Compression ratio: 11.3
Maximum power:320bhp@6,800rpr
Maximum torque:370Nm@4,250rpr
0-62mph: 5.1se
Top speed: 174mp
Length: 4,435mr
Width: 1,830mr
Weight:1,495k
Brakes:
Front: 330mm discs
Rear: 330mm discs
Wheels & tyres:
Front: 8x18-inch; 225/40/R18
Rear: 11x18-inch; 295/30/R18

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996 GT2



with uprated turbocharged engine and suspension. PCCB was standard, Revised ECU later gave an extra 21bhp.

Production numbers:...

ssue featured:	127
ngine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	9.4:1
/laximum power:	462bhp @ 5,700rpm
/laximum torque:	620Nm
	@ 3,500-4,500rpm
)-62mph:	4.1sec
	196mph
.ength:	4,450mm
Vidth:	1,830mm
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Rear: 350mm discs

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x18-inch; 235/40/R18 ar: 12x18-inch; 315/30/R18



#### Sales debate:

# How accurate are auction prices when judging market values?



Auction prices have long been used to help inform market trends. However, with recent results suggesting a slow down in the Porsche market, now seems like the perfect time to see just how accurate auction results are when judging 911 values across the board.

The beauty of an auction is the car is worth what someone is prepared to pay for it on the day, at that particular moment," explains Harry Whale, operations manager and classic car consignor at Silverstone Auctions. Whale accepts that, because of this, using auction results as a be-all and end-all for judging market value may give a

and invest in classic cars," Maxted-Page explains. "But, now, things have slowed down a bit and people have become a bit more discerning again," he continues,  $which \, could \, explain \, the \, recent \, downturn \, in \,$ headline-making results

Due to this, Maxted-Page feels there are "two market prices; the price for average and below-average cars (generally in auctions) or above-average and exceptional cars (which change hands privately or with dealers). It really is a two-tier system." Coupled with the commission charged to both the buyer and seller, the respected specialist feels that "the hammer price, rather than

## "Auctions can give an overall perception of the market but it's all down to the condition, provenance and what buyers are willing to pay"

"Auctions can give an overall perception of the market but it's all down to the condition, provenance and what someone is willing to pay for the car. Just because a low-mileage 997 GT3 RS has sold for, say, £160,000, it doesn't necessarily mean that any low-mileage 997 GT3 RS is worth the same price," Whale continues.

It is for this reason that Lee Maxted-Page, head of the eponymously named classic Porsche specialist, feels auction values "are the wrong thing to use as a guide." In his opinion, the cars consigned through auction houses in recent years "just don't bear close inspection."

"Auctions have had it good for a while and they've been selling cars to retail buyers in the headiness, looking to buy



the fully paid price," is likely to be more representative of each lots true value.

Whale counters this though, pointing out that, when consigning a car for sale: "We [Silverstone Auctions] will always agree a guide price with our vendors - it is a guide and not an indication of a true price. The current market value can only be decided on what any bidder is willing to pay when the hammer drops.'

With their openly publicised results, auction prices will, undoubtedly, continue to help inform market values. However, it seems sensible to go in with your eyes open when analysing their hammer values. As with any Porsche 911, condition and provenance are crucial, whether sold through auction or a dealer.



# Gen2 996 C2



Facelifted with Turbo-style pers, fitted with more p

Production number	ers:29,389
Issue featured:	n/
Engine capacity:	3,5960
Compression ratio	:11.3:
Maximum power:_	.320bhp@6,800rpn
Maximum torque:	370Nm@4,250rpn
0-62mph:	5.0se
Top speed:	177mpl
Length:	4,430mn
Width:	1,770mn
Weight:	1,370k
Brakes:	
Front: 318mm discs	
Rear: 299mm discs	

Wheels & tyres: Front: 7x17-inch; 205/50/R17 Rear: 9x17-inch; 255/40/R17

#### Gen2 996 C4 2002-04



Facelifted in line with rear-drive Carrera though the all-wheel-drive res ver v much like its rear

Production number	ers:	10,386
Issue featured:		107
Engine capacity:		3,596cc
Compression ratio	):	11.3:1
Maximum power:	320bhp@	6,800rpm
Maximum torque:	370Nm@	4,250rpm
0-62mph:		5.0sec
Top speed:		177mph
Length:		4,430mm
Width:		_1,770mm
Weight:		1,430kg
Brakes:		
Front: 318mm discs	5	

Rear: 299mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 7x17-inch; 205/50/R17 Rear: 9x17-inch; 255/40/R17



#### 996 Anniversary 2003-04



Available in GT silver, and included a Turbo front bumper and chrom Carrera wheels, Powerkit -10mm

Production numbers:	1,963
Issue featured:	112
Engine capacity:	3,596cc
Compression ratio:	11.3:1
Maximum power:345bhp@	6,800rpm
Maximum torque:370Nm@	4,800rpm
0-62mph:	
Top speed:	
Length:	
Width:	1,770mm
Weight:	1,370kg
Brakes:	
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Rear: 330mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x18-inch; 225/40/R18 Rear: 10x18-inch; 285/30/R18

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# **997 Carrera** 2004-08



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was like 996, but refined for mor power Six-speed Tiptronic option

Production number	rs:25,78
Issue featured:	11
Engine capacity:	3,5960
Compression ratio	:11.3:
Maximum power:	.325bhp@6,800rpr
Maximum torque:	.370Nm@4,250rpr
0-62mph:	5.0se
Top speed:	177mp
Length:	4,427mr
Width:	
Weight:	1,395k
Brakes:	
Front: 318mm discs	
Rear: 299mm discs	

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x18-inch: 235/40/R18 Rear: 10x18-inch; 265/40/R18



#### 997 Carrera S 2004-08



As per the 997 Carrera, but with more powerful 3.8-litre engine and PASM. 19-inch wheels as standard, er ventilated brakes. Quad

Production number	ers:41,05
Issue featured:	10
Engine capacity:	3,824c
Compression ratio	11.8
Maximum power:	_355bhp@6,600rpr
Maximum torque:	400Nm@4,600rpr
0-62mph:	4.8se
Top speed:	182mp
Length:	4,427mr
Width:	1,808mr
Weight:	1,420k
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm disc	s
Rear: 330mm discs	\$
Wheels & tyres:	

Front: 8x19-inch: 235/35/R19 Rear: 11x19-inch; 295/30/R19

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#### 997 Carrera 4 2005-08



Like the 997 Carrera, but with drive to all four wheels via a multi-disc viscous coupling, transferring between five and 40 per cent of traction to the front. 44mm wider at rear.

Production number	S:8,533
Issue featured:	3
Engine capacity:	3,596cc
Compression ratio:	11.3:1
Maximum power:	325bhp@6,800rpm
Maximum torque:	370Nm@4,250rpm
0-62mph:	5.1sec
Top speed:	174mph
Length:	4,427mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,450kg
Brakes:	
Front: 318mm discs	
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ear: 299mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x18-inch: 235/40/R18 Rear: 10x18-inch; 295/35/R18

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and plastic rear wi	ndow.
Production number	rs: 1,106
Issue featured:	110
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio	:12.0:1
Maximum power:	415bhp@7,600rpm
Maximum torque:	_405Nm@5,500rpm
0-62mph:	4.2sec
Top speed:	194mph
	4,460mm
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,375kg
Brakes:	
Front: 380mm disc:	5
Rear: 350mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8.5x19-inch; 2	235/35/R19
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sentially the 997 Turbo, but with rear-wheel drive only. Enjoyed a more track-orientated suspension and brake setup, with GT3-style interior

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Rear: 12x19-inch; 325/30/ZR19 HEXAGON \* \* \* \*\*\*\*

#### Gen2 997 C2 2008-12



and front driving lights. M97 engine replaced with a 91 DFI unit, using fewer parts - with no problematic Intermediate Shaft.

Production number	's:10,500
Issue featured:	89
Engine capacity:	3,614cc
Compression ratio:	12.5:1
Maximum power:	.345hp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque:	390Nm@4,400rpm
0-62mph:	4.9sec
Top speed:	
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,415kg
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x18-inch; 235/40/ZR18 Rear: 10.5x18-inch: 265/40/ZR18



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#### Gen2 996 GT3 2003-05



with new wings. Suspension lowered and uprated, PCCB optional. Fullspec interior unless Clubsport option

Production numbers:	2,313
Issue featured:	107
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	11.7:1
Maximum power:381bhp	@7,400rpm
Maximum torque:385Nm@	95,000rpm
0-62mph:	4.5sec
Top speed:	190mph
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,770mm
Weight:	1,380kg
Brakes:	

Front: 350mm discs Rear: 330mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x18-inch: 235/40/R18 Rear: 11x18-inch; 295/30/R18



#### 996 GT3 RS 2004-05



Same 3,600cc engine as in GT3, but with weight saving, offering 280bhp per ton - an impro cent over the 996 GT3 Clubsport

Production numbers:	682
Issue featured:	118
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	11.7:1
Maximum power:381bhp@	7,400rpm
Maximum torque:385Nm@	5,000rpm
0-62mph:	4.4sec
Top speed:	190mph
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,770mm
Weight:	1,360kg
Brakes:	
Front: 350mm discs	

Rear: 330mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x18-inch; 235/40/R18 Rear: 11x18-inch; 295/30/R18



#### 996 Turbo S 2004-05



A 911 Turbo with the previously optional 30bhp power upgrade with larger turbochargers, uprated intercoolers and a revised ECU. PCCB standard.

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Production numbers:	1,563
Issue featured:	62
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	9.4:1
Maximum power:450bhp	@5,700rpm
Maximum torque:	620Nm
@3,50	0-4,500rpm
0-62mph:	4.2sec
Top speed:	191mph
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,830mm
Weight:	1,590kg
Brakes:	
Front: 350mm discs	
Rear: 350mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8x18-inch; 225/40/R1	8
Rear: 11x18-inch; 295/30/R1	8







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#### 997 Carrera 4S 2005-08



the Carrera S, with four-wheel-drive system on C4. 44mm wider than Carrera S to accommodate for wider

Production numbers:	30,973
Issue featured:	111
Engine capacity:	3,824cc
Compression ratio:	11.8:1
Maximum power:355bhp@	6,600rpm
Maximum torque:400Nm@	4,600rpm
0-62mph:	4.8sec
Top speed:	179mph
Length:	4,427mm
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,475kg
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x19-inch: 235/35/R19 Rear: 11x19-inch: 295/30/R19



#### 997 Turbo 2005-10



Similar to the 997 C4S body, but with extra intakes at the front and sides Essentially the 996 Turbo engine, but with all-new twin turbos. VTG gave the best of small and large turbos.

Production numbers: 19,201 (up to 2008)

Eligilie Capacity.	5,00000
Compression ratio:	9.8:1
Maximum power:480	Obhp@6,000rpm
Maximum torque:	620Nm
@	1,950-5,000rpm
0-62mph:	3.9sec
Top speed:	193mph
Length:	4,450mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,585kg

Front: 350mm discs Rear: 350mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/35/R19 Rear: 11x19-inch; 305/30/R19



#### 997 GT3 2006-07



Track-focused, but based on narrow bodied Carrera with reworked 996 GT3 engine. PASM standard, revs to 8,400rpm, 200 higher than the Gen2 996 GT3.

Production number	s:2,378
Issue featured:	117
Engine capacity:	3,600cc
Compression ratio:	12.0:1
Maximum power:	415bhp@7,600rpm
Maximum torque:	105Nm@5,500rpm
0-62mph:	4.3sec
Top speed:	192mph
Length:	4,445mm
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,395kg
Brakes:	
Front: 200mm diece	

Rear: 350mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch: 235/35/R19 Rear: 12x19-inch; 305/30/R19



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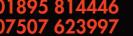
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#### Gen2 997 C2 S 2008-12



larger 3.8-litre engine – again using fewer components and Direct Fuel Injection, Had seven-speed PDK optional, like the Carrera.

Production numbe	rs:15,000
Issue featured:	61
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio	12.5:1
Maximum power:	385hp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque:_	.420Nm@4,400rpm
0-62mph:	4.7sec
Top speed:	187mph
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,425kg
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	5

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x19-inch: 235/35/7R19 Rear: 11x19-inch; 295/30/ZR19



#### Gen2 997 C4 2008-12



as per the Carrera, but with a wide rear end plus full-width rear reflector New all-wheel drive was initiated from the 997 Turbo.

Production numbers:	1,384 (Coupe)
Issue featured:	41
Engine capacity:	3,614cc
Compression ratio:	12.5:1
Maximum power:3	45hp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque:39	0Nm@4,400rpm
0-62mph:	5.0sec
Top speed:	176mph
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,470kg
Brakes:	

Front: 330mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8x18-inch: 235/40/7R18 Rear: 11x18-inch; 295/35/ZR18



#### Gen2 997 C4S 2008-12



engine. Utilised the 997 Turbo's four-wheel drive and PTM. Viscous coupling gives way to electromagnetically controlled multi-plate clutch

Production numbers:	7,910 (Coupe)
Issue featured:	111
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	12.5:1
Maximum power:38	5hp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque:420	Nm@4,400rpm
0-62mph:	4.7sec
Top speed:	185mph
Length:	
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,480kg
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	
Rear: 330mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	

Front: 8x19-inch: 235/35/7R19

Rear: 11x19-inch; 305/30/ZR19





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#### Gen2 997 GT3 2009-12



Updated as per the Carrera, but with PASM ce 2010 MY GT3s recalled to fix

Production numbers:	2,200
Issue featured:	117
Engine capacity:	3,797cc
Compression ratio:	12.2.:1
Maximum power: 435h	p@7,900rpm
Maximum torque:_430Nn	n@6,250rpm
0-62mph:	4.1sec
Top speed:	194mph
Length:	
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,395kg
Brakes:	
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Front: 380mm discs Rear: 350mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/35/ZR19

Rear: 12x19-inch;305/30/ZR19



#### Gen2 997 Turbo 2009-13



Same as the original 997 Turbo, but with new LED tail-lights and drive ghts up front. Larger tailpipes and DFI engine, with fuel consumption cut

Production number	
Issue featured:	116
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
	9.8:1
Maximum power:	.500hp@6,000rpm
Maximum torque:	
	@1,950-5,000rpm
0-62mph:	
Top speed:	194mph
Length:	4,450mm
Width:	
Weight:	1,570kg
Brakes:	
Front: 350mm discs	
Rear: 350mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8.5x19-inch; 2	35/35/ZR19

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#### Gen2 997 GT3 RS 2009-12



Wider front arches and a larger wing Dynamic engine mounts and PASM are standard. Air-con is optional, with no door handles, wheel brace or sound proofing.

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Production numbers:	1,500
Issue featured:	125
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	12.2:1
Maximum power:450hp@	⊋7,900rpm
Maximum torque:430Nm@	96,750rpm
0-62mph:	4.0sec
Top speed:	192mph
Length:	4,460mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,370kg
Brakes:	
Front: 380mm discs	

Rear: 380mm discs

Wheels & tyres: Front: 9x19-inch; 245/35/ZR19 Rear: 12x19-inch; 325/30/ZR19



#### 997 C4 GTS 2011-12



Like the C2 997 GTS, but slightly heavier and with four-wheel drive. In either C2 or C4 form, it represented a great saving over optioning up a 997 Carrera counterpart.

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Issue featured:	12
Engine capacity:	3,8000
Compression ratio:	12.5:
Maximum power:	408hp@7,300rpn
Maximum torque:	420Nn
	@4,200-5,600rpn
0-62mph:	
Top speed:	188mpl
Length:	4,435mn
Width:	1,852mn
Weight:	1,480kp
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	

Rear: 330mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/35/ZR19 Rear: 11x19-inch; 305/30/ZR19

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#### 997 Turbo S 2011-13

Rear: 11x19-inch; 305/30/ZR19



As standard 997 Turbo but more power and higher level of standard equipment including PCCB, centre Sport Chrono Plus

Issue featured:	123
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	9.8:1
Maximum power: 530	hp@6,250-6,750rpm
Maximum torque:	700Nm
	@2,100-4,250rpm
0-62mph:	3.3sec
Top speed:	195mph
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,585kg
Brakes:	
Front: 380mm discs	
Rear: 350mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8.5x19-inch: 235	/35/ZR19



#### 991.1 Carrera 2011-2015



The first of the newest and latest Gen 911, it takes styling hues from the 993. A redesigned chassis with lengthened wheelbase reduces overhang of

Production number	rs:Unknown
Issue featured:	83
Engine capacity:	3,436cc
Compression ratio	: 12.5:1
Maximum power:	350hp@7,400rpm
Maximum torque:	,390Nm@5,600rpm
0-62mph:	4.8sec
Top speed:	179.6mph
Length:	4,491mm
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,380kg
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	5

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch: 235/40/7R19 Rear: 11x19-inch; 285/35/ZR19



#### 991 Anniversary 2013-14



vide body and generous spec. Many styling cues inside and out taken from original 901. Powerkit only came as standard spec in US

Production number	rs:1,96
Issue featured:	11
Engine capacity:	3,8000
Compression ratio	12.5
Maximum power:	400hp@7,400rpi
Maximum torque:	.440Nm@5,600rpi
0-62mph:	
Top speed:	188mp
Length:	
Width:	1,852mi
Weight:	1,420k
Brakes:	
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Wheels & tyres: Front: 9x20-inch: 245/35/ZR20 Rear: 11.5x20-inch: 305/30/ZR20

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#### 991 Carrera GTS 2014-

Rear: 11x19-inch; 305/30/ZR19



Big-spec GTS utilises wide body and a host of good options including Powerkit, PASM, Sport chrono, Sport exhaust to name a few, all for £7,000 more than Carrera S.

Production numbers:	
Issue featured:	12
Engine capacity:	3,800c
Compression ratio:	12.5
Maximum power:430hp@	@7,500rpr
Maximum torque:440Nm	@5,750rpr
0-62mph:	4.0se
Top speed:	
Length:	4,491mr
Width:	1,852mr
Weight:	1,425k
Brakes:	
Front: 340mm discs	
Rear: 330mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 9x20-inch; 245/35/ZR2	20

Rear: 11.5x20-inch: 305/30/ZR20

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#### 991 C4 GTS 2014-



but with additional traction offered by four-wheel-drive. As a result, performance times are altered slightly over its rear-driven variant.

Production numbers:	Unknown
Issue featured:	125
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	12.5:1
Maximum power:430hp@	
Maximum torque:440Nm@	95,750rpm
0-62mph:	
Top speed:	
Length:	4,491mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,470kg
Brakes:	

Front: 340mm disc: Wheels & tyres:

Front: 9x20-inch: 245/35/ZR20 Rear: 11.5x20-inch: 305/30/ZR20



#### 997 Speedster 2010



Built to mark Porsche Exclusive's 25th anniversary Shorter windscreen but rake angle same as 997 Carrera Wide body with 19-inch Fuchs whee Rear-wheel drive. me as 997 Carrera

Production number	s:356
Issue featured:	128
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	12.5:1
Maximum power:	408hp@7,300rpm
Maximum torque:	420Nm
	@4,400-5,600rpm
0-62mph:	4.4sec
Top speed:	190mph

4.440mm

Length: Width: Weight: Front: 350mm discs Rear: 350mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/35/ZR19

Rear: 11x19-inch; 305/30/ZR19 \*\*\*\*





Based on a 3.8-litre Powerkit rear-wheel-drive Carrera S. but with 44mm wider rear arches. Retro styling including iconic ducktail wing and large Fuchs wheels.

Production number	s: 250
Issue featured:	57
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	12.5:
Maximum power:	408hp@7,300rpm
Maximum torque:	420Nm
	@4,200-5,600rpm
0-62mph:	4.6sed
Top speed:	187mpl
Length:	4,435mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,425kg
Brakes:	
Front: 350mm discs	
Rear: 350mm discs	



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997 GT3 RS 4.0

The engine was upgraded and

Production numbers:.... Engine capacity:

Compression ratio: Maximum power: ....500hp@8. Maximum torque: .460Nm@5

rodynamically tweaked too, with

the angle of the rear wing increased and dive planes on either side of the front nose. A future collectors' gem.

2010

#### 997 918 Edition 2010



These exclusive 997 Turbo S-spec 911s were only available to those who had paid a deposit for a 918 Spyder. Acid green badging and brake calipers.

Production numbers: 600	Production numbers: 12
Issue featured: 125	Issue featured: 7
Engine capacity:3,996cc	Engine capacity:3,800c
Compression ratio: 12.6:1	Compression ratio: 9.8
Maximum power:500hp @ 8,250rpm	Maximum power: 530hp@6,250-6,750rpr
Maximum torque: 460Nm@5,750rpm	Maximum torque:700Nr
0-62mph: 3.9sec	@2,100-4,250rpr
Top speed: 193mph	0-62mph: 3.3se
Length: 4,460mm	Top speed: 195mp
Width: 1,852mm	Length: 4,435mr
Weight:1,360kg	Width: 1,852mr
Brakes:	Weight: 1,585k
Front: 380mm discs	Brakes:
Rear: 380mm discs	Front: 380mm discs
Wheels & tyres:	Rear: 350mm discs
Front: 9x19-inch; 245/35/ZR19	Wheels & tyres:
Rear: 12x19-inch; 325/30/ZR19	Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/35/ZR19
	Rear: 11x19-inch; 305/30/ZR19



#### 997 GT2 RS 2010-11



The GT2 went back to its roots with lightweight body and interior, plus extra power. Recognisable over standard GT2 thanks to carbon fibre

Production numbers	50
Issue featured:	1
Engine capacity:	3,6000
Compression ratio:	
Maximum power:	.620hp@6,500rp
Maximum torque:	700Ni
	@ 2,500-5,500rpi
0-62mph:	3.5se
Top speed:	205mp
Length:	4,460mi
Width:	1,852mi
Weight:	1,370k
Brakes:	
Front: 380mm discs	
Rear: 350mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 9x19-inch; 245/	/35/ZR19
Rear: 12x19-inch; 325.	/30/ZR19

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#### 997 C2 GTS 2010-12



Features the C4's wider rear body, and powered by the 3.8-litre Carrera S engine, with a Powerkit producing an extra 25bhp. The GTS is laden with Porsche options.

Production numbers	Unknown
Issue featured:	118
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	12.5:1
Maximum power:	.408hp@7,300rpm
Maximum torque:	420Nm
	@4,200-5,600rpm
0-60mph:	4.6sec
Top speed:	190mph
Length:	
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,420kg
Brakes:	
Front: 330mm discs	

Rear: 330mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/35/19 Rear: 11x19-inch; 305/30/19

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#### 991.1 Carrera S 2011-2015



speed manual 'box, but utilising bigger engine. Slightly larger front s than the standard Carrera PASM as standard equipment

Production numbers	:Unknown
Issue featured:	114
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	12.5:1
Maximum power:	400hp@7,400rpm
Maximum torque:_4	40Nm@5,600rpm
0-62mph:	4.5sec
Top speed:	188.9mph
Length:	4,491mm
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,395kg
Brakes:	

Front: 340mm discs Rear: 330mm discs Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x20-inch: 245/35/7R20 Rear: 11x20-inch; 295/30/ZR20



#### 991.1 Carrera 4 2012-2015

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/35/ZR19



22mm wider body than C2, with 10mm wider tyres and connecting rear tale light as standard. Also features a torque distribution indicator on the digital dash clock

ers: Unknown
98
3,436cc
12.5:1
350hp@7,400rpm
390Nm@5,600rpm
4.9sec
177mph
4,491mm
1,852mm
1,430kg
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#### 991.1 Carrera 4S 2012-2015



Same wider body styling as Carrera 4, coupled to 3.8-litre 400bhp engine Also features six-piston brake calipers at front, as opposed to four. PTV spread torque more evenly.

Production numbers:	Unknow
Issue featured:	11
Engine capacity:	3,800c
Compression ratio:	12.5
Maximum power:400	hp@7,400rpr
Maximum torque:_4401	Vm@5,600rpr
0-62mph:	4.5se
Top speed:	185mp
Length:	4,491mr
Width:	1,852mr
Weight:	1,445k
Brakes:	
Front: 340mm discs	
Rear: 330mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8.5x20-inch; 245/3	35/ZR20

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#### 991 GT3 2013-



used for the first time. Mezger engine from previous GT3s replaced with revamped DFI version of Carrera S engine. PDK only.

Production number	rs:Currently in
	production
Issue featured:	124
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	12.9:1
Maximum power:	475hp@8,250rpm
Maximum torque:	440Nm@6,250rpm
0-62mph:	3.5sec
Top speed:	196mph
Length:	4,545mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	1,430kg
Brakes:	
Front: 380mm discs	
Rear: 380mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 9x20-inch; 24	5/35/ZR20

Rear: 12x20-inch; 305/30/ZR20 \*\*\*\*



#### 991 Turbo 2013-



The new Turbo marks the introduction of rear axle steering, plus PDK-only transmission to forced induction 991 models. Rear fenders 28mm wider than C4

Production numbers:	Currently i
	productio
Issue featured:	10
Engine capacity:	3,800c
Compression ratio:	9.8
Maximum power: 520hp@60	000-6,500rpr
Maximum torque:	
@1,95	0-5,000rpr
0-62mph:	3.4se
Top speed:	195mp
Length:	4,506mr
Width:	1,880mr
Weight:	1,595k
Brakes:	
Front & Rear: 380mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8.5x20-inch; 245/35/2	ZR20
Rear: 11x20-inch; 305/30/ZF	R20

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#### 991 Turbo S 2013-



Same dimensions as 991 Turbo, but with a tweaked map to provide an extra 40bhp. Usual Turbo options as standard, including centre-lock wheels, PCCB, PDCC and Bose sound.

Production numbers:	Currently in
	production
Issue featured:	115
Engine capacity:	3,800cc
Compression ratio:	9.8:1
Maximum power: 560hp@6,	500-6,750rpm
Maximum torque: 700Nm	2,100-4,250
0-62mph:	3.1sec
Top speed:	197mph
Length:	4,506mm
Width:	1,880mm
Weight:	1,605kg
Brakes:	
Front: 410mm discs	
Rear: 390mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 9x20-inch; 245/35/ZI	R20
Rear:11x20-inch, 305/30/Z	R20

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#### 991 GT3 RS 2015-



of rear axle steering, plus PDK-only transmission to forced induction 991 models. Rear fenders 28mm wider

Production number	ers:42 (UK
Issue featured:	128
Engine capacity:	3,996cc
Compression ratio	12.9:
Maximum power:	500hp@8,250rpm
Maximum torque:	_460Nm@6,250rpm
0-62mph:	3.3sec
Top speed:	193mpl
Length:	4,545mm
Width:	1,880mm
Weight:	1,420kg
Brakes:	
Front: 380mm discs	S
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Front: 9.5x20-inch; 265/35/ZR20 Rear: 12.5x21-inch: 325/30/ZR21

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#### 991.2 Carrera 2015-

Wheels & tyres: Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/40/ZR19

Rear: 11x19-inch;305/35/ZR19



Facelift model is substantially changed underneath with pow coming from completely new 3.0-litre 9A2 turbocharged engine. PASM now standard.

Production number	rs:Currently ir	
	production	
Issue featured:	132	
Engine capacity:	2,981cc	
Compression ratio	10.0:1	
Maximum power:	_370hp@6,500rpm	
Maximum torque:	450Nm	
	@1,700-5,000rpm	
0-62mph:	4.2sec	
Top speed:	183mph	
Length:	4,499mm	
Width:	1,808mm	
Weight:	1,430kg	
Brakes:		
Front & Rear: 330mr	n discs;	
Wheels & tyres:		
Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/40/ZR19		
Rear: 11.5x19-inch; 29	95/35/ZR19	

Not yet tested

#### 991.2 Carrera S 2015-

Rear: 11x20-inch; 305/30/ZR20



es same 3.0-litre turbocharged 9A2 engine as Carrera, with revised turbos, exhaust and engine management to produce an extra 50hp. Rear axle steering now an option.

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	production
Issue featured:	132
Engine capacity:	2,981cc
Compression ratio	10.0:1
Maximum power:	420hp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque;50	0Nm@1,700-5,000rpm
0-62mph:	3.9sec
Top speed:	191mph
Length:	4,499mm
Width:	1,808mm
Weight:	1,440kg
Brakes:	
Front: 350mm discs	
Rear: 330mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8.5x20-inch; 2	45/35/ZR20
Rear: 11.5x20-inch; 3	05/30/ZR20

Not yet tested

#### 991.2 Carrera 4 2016-



New 9A2 turbocharged engine fused with all-wheel-drive running gear, now electro-hydraulically controlled. Distinguishable by wider body and full-width rear brake light.

Production number	s:Currently in
	production
Issue featured:	133
Engine capacity:	2,981cc
Compression ratio:	10.0:1
Maximum power:	_370hp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque:	450Nm
	@1,700-5,000rpm
0-62mph:	4.1sec
Top speed:	not tested
Length:	4,499mm
Width:	
Weight:	undisclosed
Brakes:	
Front & Rear: 330mm discs;	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8.5x19-inch; 235/40/ZR19	
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Not yet tested

#### 991.2 Carrera 4S 2016-



As per the Carrera 4 but utilising revised turbos, exhaust and engine management from the C2S to produce an extra 50hp. Faster 0-62mph than C2S for first time.

Production number	rs:Currently in
	production
Issue featured:	133
Engine capacity:	2,981cc
Compression ratio:	10.0:1
Maximum power:	420hp@6,500rpm
Maximum torque: 50	0Nm@1,700-5,000rpm
0-62mph:	3.8sec
Top speed:	not tested
Length:	4,499mm
Width:	1,852mm
Weight:	undisclosed
Brakes:	
Front: 350mm discs	
Rear: 330mm discs	
Wheels & tyres:	
Front: 8 5y20-inch: 2	45/35/7R20

Rear: 11.5x20-inch; 305/30/ZR20

Not yet tested





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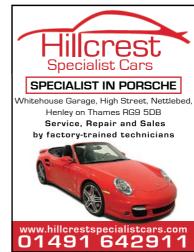
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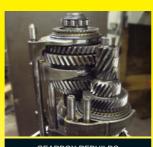
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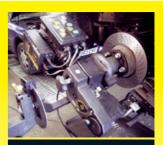
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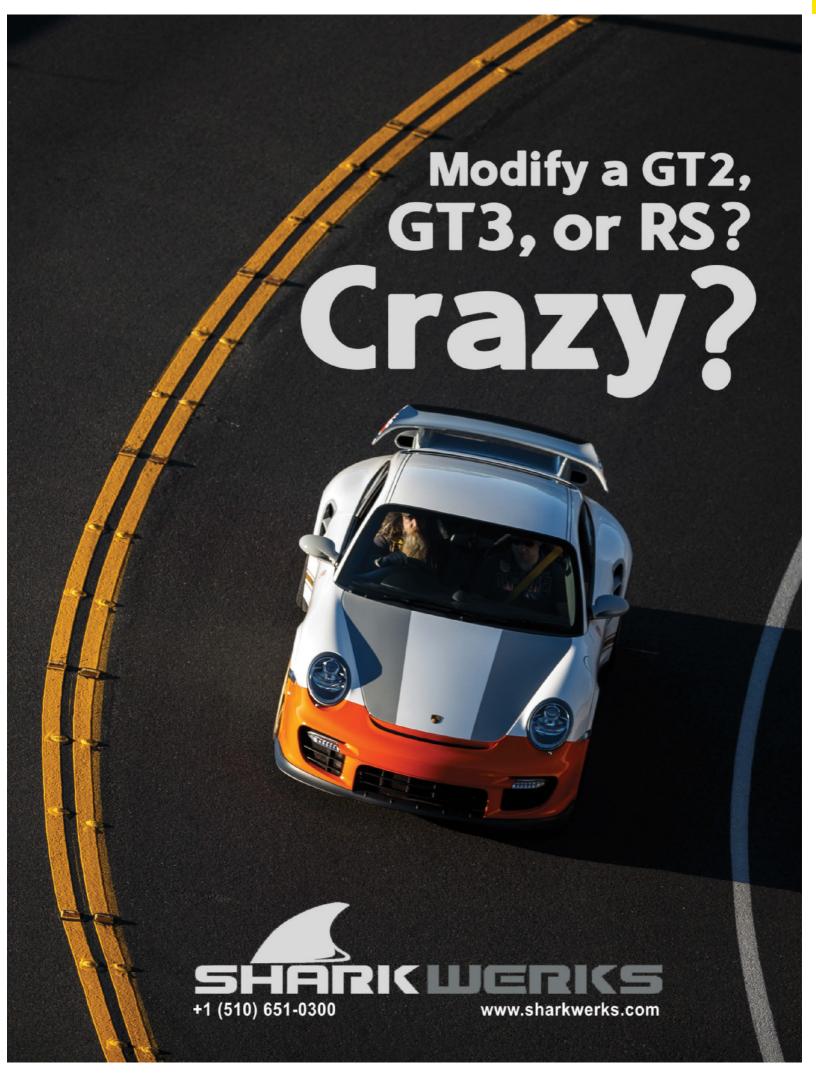
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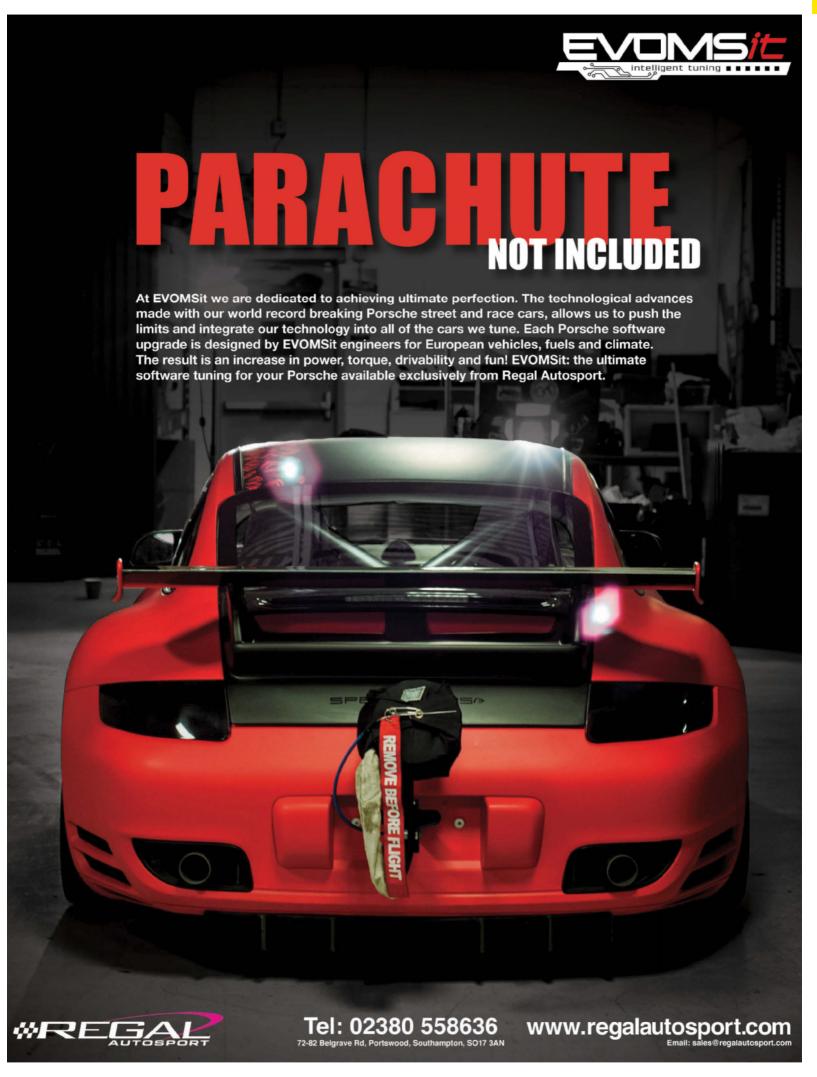


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there's a real mix of tight hairpins and faster, sweeping turns, which require a much smoother driving style and higher speeds – perfect for a well-sorted sports car like a 911. Although the Swiss' approach to speeding is similar to David Attenborough's propensity for animal cruelty, in October the roads are empty and progress can be swift.

As the climb continues, a few short tunnels allow the road to cut through areas of rock that simply couldn't be worked around. In places, these tunnels are open to the valleys' glare with sectional gaps reminiscent of the nearby Furka Pass, famous for that scene of the DB5/Mustang chase in James Bond's Goldfinger. Stopping in one of the numerous laybys allows you to fully appreciate the vista and revel in

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