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Paris Previews



Lamborghini Veneno Roadster

RM Sotheby's opens the bidding in Paris on 5 February at the first of three auctions taking place during Rétromobile week. A 1955 Jaguar D-Type heads their 79-car roster with an estimate of €5,900,000 – 6,400,000. Chassis XKD 520 was delivered new to the four-time Australian Drivers' Champion Bob Stillwell who campaigned it throughout 1956, notably winning the Bathurst Road Racing Championship before parting with it in 1957.



Jaguar D-Type

Other big-ticket entries include a 450-km one-of-nine 2015 Lamborghini Veneno Roadster (estimate €4,500,000 – 5,500,000); a left-hand drive European-spec 1972 Ferrari 365 GTS/4 'Daytona' Spider with less than 28,000km (estimate €2,400,000 – 2,600,000); and a recently restored 1958 BMW 507 (estimate €1,750,000 – 2,250,000).

Following on from RM Sotheby's successful Youngtimer sales in 2019, a further tranche of 11 cars from the collection are set to go under the hammer in Paris. Highlights include a trio of Alpina BMWs, with a three-owner 1982 B7S listed at €130,000 – 150,000, a 1982 B7S Coupe – one of only 30 built – estimated to fetch €175,000 – 225,000, and a 9,000-km 1993 B12 5.7 Coupe at €300,000 – 350,000.

[RM Sotheby's Paris Sale – auction listing here](#)

Seven pre-war Bugattis are among the line up at Bonhams' Grand Palais sale on 6 February, led by a 1931 Type 55 Supersport (estimate €4,000,000 – 7,000,000). Chassis 55221 was rebodied by Figoni following its appearance at the 1932 Le Mans 24 Hours in the hands of Guy Bouriat and Louis Chiron, and has remained in single-family ownership for the past 56 years.

Another significant Bugatti with competition history is an ex-Works 1925 Type 39, driven to a 3rd place finish by Giulio Foresti on its debut at the Grand Prix de Tourisme in Montlhéry (estimate €1,050,000 – 1,400,000). Exported to Australia by 1926, chassis 4607 was regularly exercised at numerous events, culminating in an outright win for Carl Junker at the 1931 Australian GP.

The first example of MAT's New Stratos to be offered at auction is guided at €700,000 – 900,000. Built in 2019 using a 30,000-km 2009 Ferrari 430 Scuderia as a base, it's Number 1 of a planned production run of 25, and features a 37hp power increase over the Scuderia plus a weight saving of some 50kg.

[Bonhams Paris Sale – auction listing here](#)

A 1929 Mercedes-Benz 710 SS 27/140/200hp Sport Tourer is the star attraction at Artcurial's Rétromobile auction on 7 February, with a pre-sale estimate of €6,000,000 – 8,000,000. The stats for the mighty 7,065 cc Mercedes make impressive reading, 140hp on tap, rising to a heady 200hp with the supercharger engaged and a top speed approaching 200km/h.



Ferrari 275 GTB/6C

Notable top-tier machinery also includes a 1965 Ferrari 275 GTB/6C that carried off class honours at the 1966 Monza 1000 km (estimate €2,000,000 – 3,000,000); an ex-René Arnoux 1983 Ferrari 126 C3 that has resided at Charles Pozzi Ferrari and in Michel Hommell's collection since its F1 days ended (estimate €600,000 – 1,000,000); and a 1966 Porsche 906 Carrera 6 with known history from new (estimate €1,400,000 – 1,800,000).

[Artcurial Rétromobile Sale – auction listing here](#)