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2019: REARVIEW MIRROR

\$400+ Million in Total Auction Sales | 90% Sell-through Rate | \$75 Million + in Private Sales
26 Total Auctions | 15 Live Auctions | 11 Online Auctions | 2022 Cars Sold | 5261 Lots Sold
48% New Bidders | Bidders from 78 Countries | Consignors from 40 Countries



JANUARY

RM Sotheby's kicks off its 2019 auction calendar with \$37 million and 85 percent of all lots sold in **Arizona**. Perhaps the most exciting moment of the auction comes when a pair of **1993 Vector Avtech WX-3 Prototypes**, the first all-American supercar, incite extended bidding competitions, with the [original coupe](#) bringing \$615,500, and the [WX-3R Roadster](#) version selling for \$500,000.



FEBRUARY

RM Sotheby's hosts its best-ever **Paris** sale at a total €32.4 million, with sales led by a **1987 Ferrari F40 LM**, which incites spirited bidding in the room and over the phones before achieving €4,842,500 to set a new world record for the model.

The company's Paris sale also sees the first offering from the highly anticipated **Youngtimer Collection**, a single-owner group of more than 140 modern classics, with a **1989 Mercedes-Benz 560 SEC AMG 6.0 'Wide-Body'** selling for a final €297,500, doubling its pre-sale low estimate and setting a new auction record for the model.

MARCH

RM Sotheby's achieves \$38.1 million with 84 percent of all lots sold at its 21st annual **Amelia Island** sale – the best auction house performance during the 2019 Amelia Island Concours week. A **1965 Ferrari 275 GTB** is the star of the auction, selling for \$2,205,000. Leading the Classic Era motor car offering, a **1930 Duesenberg Model J 'Sweep Panel' Dual-Cowl Phaeton**, featuring a concours-quality restoration by the renowned Fran Roxas, brings \$1,650,000.

Additional cars from the **Youngtimer Collection** are offered in Amelia Island, led by a highly original, low-mileage **1994 Toyota Supra Twin Turbo Targa** which soars to \$173,600 to cement the Supra as a staple of the next generation of collector cars.



Later in the month, the auction house achieves best-ever results at its 17th annual **South Florida** sale with over \$23.2 million across the two-day auction and more than 80 percent of all lots finding new homes. Leading the sale is a 600-mile **2015 Ferrari LaFerrari** at \$3,080,000.



At the Formula 1 Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix 2019, RM Sotheby's and Formula One Group announce a global auction partnership to culminate at the season-ending **Formula 1 Etihad Airways Abu Dhabi Grand Prix 2019**, with a sale of significant motor cars and memorabilia to form the region's first ever major international collector car auction.



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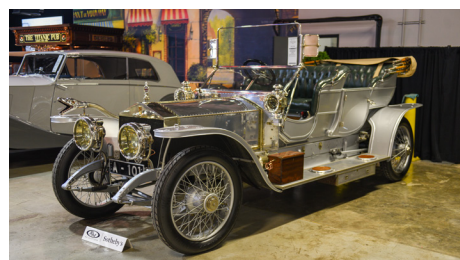
APRIL

At Messe Essen, RM Sotheby's presents its first-ever sale in Germany, held during the renowned **Techno Classica Essen** fair and reaching total sales of €18.7 million with an 86 percent sell-through rate. A trio of legendary Lancia rally greats steals the headlines, each exceeding pre-sale high estimates. Leading the group is a [1985 Lancia Delta S4 Stradale](#), shattering the model record at €1,040,000.

RM Sotheby's also offers the largest group of cars from the **Youngtimer Collection** in Essen, highlighted by the buzzed about [1979 Mercedes-Benz 500 TE AMG](#), which sees more than ten bidders raise their paddles to a final €143,750, establishing a world record price for the model.

MAY

RM Sotheby's exceeds expectations with its offering of **The Guyton Collection**, comprising the remarkable automobiles and collectibles of the late Mr. Fred Guyton. Held at the collection site in St. Louis, Missouri, the two-day sale achieves \$11.7 million. Collection is led by a [1909 Rolls-Royce 40/50 HP Silver Ghost Roi des Belges in the style of Barker](#), bringing \$1,325,000.



RM Sotheby's, the official auction house of the esteemed Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este, concludes its fifth, successful **Villa Erba** sale on the shores of Lake Como, Italy, grossing €19.8 million. Highlights include two incredible sports racing machines from the 1950s, a matching-numbers [1954 Ferrari 500 Mondial Spider](#) selling for €3,717,500, and a [1957 Porsche 550A Spyder](#), achieving €3,380,000.

RM Sotheby's and Sotheby's announce a new series of **online-only collector car auctions** hosted on Sotheby's newly developed digital auction platform, kicking it off with a beautifully restored [1967 Austin-Healey 3000 Mk III BJ8](#), which achieves a final \$92,000.



JUNE

RM Sotheby's & RM Auto Restoration, in partnership with the Municipality of Chatham-Kent and RetroFest, host the highly anticipated **RM 40th Anniversary** celebrations in the company's hometown region of Chatham-Kent, Ontario, gathering tens of thousands of attendees from across the region and around the world, and raising \$250,000 for three important local charitable organizations.

AUGUST

RM Sotheby's leads another **Monterey Car Week**, reporting more than \$107 million in total sales across the company's three-night auction with 74 percent of all lots finding new homes. Top lot of the auction, and the most valuable car sold during 2019 Monterey Car Week, is the revered [1994 McLaren F1 "LM-Specification"](#), achieving \$19,805,000 and setting a new auction record for the marque. Another record-setting moment comes when "the most famous car in the world," a [1965 James Bond Aston Martin DB5](#), sells for a final \$6,385,000, during the dedicated Evening of Aston Martin on Thursday.



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SEPTEMBER

RM Sotheby's Group returns to the historic Auburn Auction Park for the 49th annual **Auburn Fall** auction, bringing in \$16.6 million with 90 percent of all lots sold. Private collections shine, led by the renowned **Ed Meurer Collection** of Detroit, Michigan, comprised of more than 90 motor cars and 250 lots of memorabilia, and achieving a total of nearly \$4 million in sales.



RM Sotheby's presents **the single-owner Sáragga Collection** at its first-ever sale in Portugal, featuring 127 cars representing a range of segments and price points. A packed venue sees the sale gross €10.2 million, with bidders from 38 countries.

RM Sotheby's races to Dayton, Ohio for the presentation of the **Taj Ma Garaj Collection** auction, featuring 32 rare and eclectic Porsche and Volkswagen motor vehicles, as well as 356 lots of memorabilia from late prominent collector, Mr. John Dixon. Grossing a total \$5.7 million, the single-day auction draws spirited bidding activity from 20 countries, with the top seller being the desirable "Four-Cam" **1957 Porsche 356 A Carrera GT Speedster by Reutter**, at \$1,380,000.



OCTOBER

RM Sotheby's Group announces the company's annual **South Florida** sale will move to the iconic Palm Beach International Raceway for 2020, taking place 20-21 March.



RM Sotheby's Group hosts its 13th annual **Hershey** sale, totaling \$15.6 million with 97 percent of all lots sold. Leading the sale is a **1930 Cadillac V-16 Sport Phaeton by Fleetwood**, arguably the most famous, well-known surviving V-16 sport phaeton, securing a final \$1,221,000.



RM Sotheby's returns to the United Kingdom for its 13th annual **London** sale, totaling £9.4 million with 72 percent of all lots sold. Top lot is the **1969 Lamborghini Miura P400 S**, offered from 45 years in single-family ownership and thought to be one of the last remaining examples preserved in largely original and unrestored condition, fetching a stunning £1.24 million after a bidding frenzy.



RM Sotheby's hosts its first-ever Online Only auction on rmsothebys.com, **Ornamental Online: Mascots, Part I**, featuring 32 unique automotive mascots. The one-week, online-only auction brings a final \$96,414, nearly doubling its overall high estimate.

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NOVEMBER

RM Sotheby's hosts its first **Abu Dhabi auction in partnership with Formula 1® at the Formula 1 Etihad Airways Abu Dhabi Grand Prix**, which makes history as the first-ever international collector car auction to be hosted in the Emirate and the first auction to ever take place at an F1® Grand Prix™. Presenting an exceptional lineup of 40 blue-chip collector cars, the auction generates total sales of \$31.3 million. The auction night is led by the [devilish 2017 Pagani Zonda Aether](#) at \$6,812,000, setting a new record for the model at auction, and Michael Schumacher's much-buzzed-about championship-winning [2002 Ferrari F2002](#) at \$6,643,750, making it the second most valuable Formula 1 car ever sold at auction.

DECEMBER

RM Sotheby's presents its final sale of the year, **Online Only: Drive into the Holidays**, featuring an eclectic gathering of seven unique motor car lots offered on [rmsothebys.com](#) and representing the company's first motor car offering on its new online platform.



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