

Mercedes Benz 300sl

Introduce young readers to classic sports cars.

In 1952 Mercedes-Benz astonished the racing world with the successes it achieved with its 300SL, exploiting an advanced space-type frame and aerodynamic body with gullwing doors. Already the subject of a Ludvigsen Library Series book, the racing 300SL inspired the creation of a production version, which first took flight in 1954. The 300SL stunned critics and experts alike with its fabulous performance-more than 150 miles per hour-exotic looks and superb build quality. Not just a pretty face, the 300SL was also extremely successful in competition on both sides of the Atlantic. The original coupe was followed by a roadster version in 1957; in all, 3,258 were made. Drawing on his unmatched archive of Mercedes-Benz photos, including coverage by Rudy Mailander and Edward Eves of the 300SL production line, Karl Ludvigsen presents the 300SL in all its glory. He also draws on his own experience as an owner of one of these great cars.

This full-color gallery spans more than a century of Mercedes-Benz and includes pre-merger Daimler and Benz cars; models K, S, and SSK, 500K, 540K; 220 and 300 series, including the fantastic 300SL; 230, 250, 280, 350, 450 and 500SLs; new model prototypes, model history and evolution, specs, technical notes and more. Winner of the 1996 Moto Award Silver Medallion.

Gull-wing & Roadster, 3 Litre, 6 Cylinder

The Cobra in the Barn

vom Rennsport zur Legende

The Challenge

Mercedes-Benz 300 SL

The Restorer's Guide

Complete coverage of the classic 300SL through the 190SL to the 'Pagoda roof' SLs of the 1960s. Filled with valuable information on exactly what is 100% original and authentic for every model and year. Contains 200 specially commissioned color photos detailing bodywork, interior and mechanical details.

In 1952, Mercedes-Benz astonished the world with its 300SL sports-racing cars, sleek coupes with startling, gull-wing doors. Based on the 300S production model but installed in a radical, tubular space frame, the 300SL was a tour de force of lightweight aerodynamic design. The later production 300SL has been well chronicled, the 1952 racing model has not, until now. This book portrays the amazing achievements of these tough cars and their epic victories at Le Mans and in the Carrera Panamericana. Extensive, unpublished photography superbly and intimately captured by Rodolfo Mailander show the 300SL at the Mille Miglia, Berne, Nurburgring and Le Mans. Rare Daimler-Benz archive photos also show the prototype, designed and built for the 1953 season and never raced. Every fan of racing and Mercedes-Benz will relish the pictorial revelations of this book.

Its perfect synthesis of technology and design has made BMW one of the most influential brands in the world. This compelling illustrated volume gives the readers privileged insight into the unique development of this brand: fascinating motorcycles and automobiles, spectacular motor sports, impressive architecture, as well as visions for cars of the future.

Mercedes Benz SL

75 Years

Edition N. 3 "Final Edition" : Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Coupé

The Mercedes-Benz

MERCEDES-BENZ, the Early SL Cars

From the 300SL and 190SL to the 230SL - 280SL

The Mercedes 300SL was, is and always will be the one Mercedes icon, all other SL models will be judged against. This guide deals with the car's history, talks about a unique roadster and explains in detail chassis number and data card. It also comes with superb recent non-Daimler AG color photos; this includes pictures of the suspension.

The recovery of Mercedes-Benz in the early post-war years was remarkable and its first prestige model was the 300 saloon. Using this car's engine, transmission and suspension, Mercedes-Benz entered sports car racing. It proved successful, winning the 1952 Le Mans 24-hour race, the Carrera PanAmericana and many other events. The production model made its sensational debut in 1954. 1,400 Gullwing coupes were built between 1954 and 1957. The contents of this book provide a glorious review of these historic Mercedes-Benz sports cars.

This originality guide covers the Mercedes SL sports cars from the W113 'Pagoda' of 1963 to the R129 which ended production in 2003. Model-by-model, with hundreds of pictures, it gives you all the details of correct factory specifications and equipment, including body panels, external trim and badging, paint colours, interior trim and trim colours, dashboard, instruments and switches, under-bonnet components, engine and transmission, lamps, and all other features right down to the tool kit, from the beginning of production to the end. All this detailed information is vital to the buyer, owner and restorer.

Mercedes SL

Mercedes Benz

The Car of the Century

Mercedes-Benz 300 SLR

Accelerating the Mercedes-Benz Brand

Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Gullwing

Mercedes-Benz 300SL Gullwings and Roadsters 1954-1964 Enthusiast Books

That dream car of all dream cars, the Mercedes-Benz, is presented here in full glory through 285 images. What were the qualities that made them icons of all auto building? Beginning in the pioneer days with the 35 HP model of 1901 through the top-rank sports cars of the 1920s and 1930s, the gullwing-door 300 SL and the legendary "Uhlenhaut Coupe" of the 1950s, and the C 111, with its Wankel engine, of the late 1960s, the line goes on to the present-day SLS AMG. While history influenced changes in construction and design, they blend smoothly into a series yet retain distinctive variations. An exciting spectrum of 18 super sports cars is featured with text that is both entertaining and informative. For the sports car enthusiast and automotive history buff, this is a book you will refer to time and time again.

Born 1906 in London as the son of an English mother and a German father, Rudolf Uhlenhaut was an engineer and designer for Daimler-Benz. He became famous for his achievements regarding the Silver Arrows, the 300 SL with the famous gull wing doors, the legendary Mercedes-Benz 300 SLR, known as the "Uhlenhaut Coupé" and the various experimental C 111 versions well-known for several speed records. -- Uhlenhaut joined Daimler-Benz in 1931 after finishing his studies of mechanical engineering in Munich. In 1936 he took over as head of the racing department and conducted the Silver Arrows and Rudolf Caracciola to their 1937 European championship. Based upon the 300 SL "Gullwing", initially a thoroughbred racing sports car, he created the road versions W198 and the smaller open-topped W121, both launched at the International Motor Sports Show in New York 1954. Though Uhlenhaut never owned a car of his own, his official company car, a 300 SLR with a top speed of 290 km/h became famous as the Uhlenhaut Coupé "the fastest car of its day authorized for road use!" -- This first ever comprehensive biography of Rudolf Uhlenhaut, illustrated with many previously unpublished photographs, depicts his life and technical achievements, presenting a complete compilation of all the patents he filed and exploring their significance. It also draws a vivid picture of the person behind the technical innovations and tries to explore his character and motivation.

Mercedes SL Series

On Ice 300 SL Coupe 1956 (Photo 2008)

Mercedes-Benz, The SL Story, The 300SL: The Complete 300SL Story with Chassis Number/data Card Explanation and Superb New Color Photography

Gullwings and Roadsters 1954-1964

Gullwing - Mercedes Benz 300 SL Coupe ; Book of Cars : The Mercedes Benz 300 SL.

Milestones of Motor Sports

The 300 SL (W 194) is the first racing car with which Mercedes-Benz renewed its participation in international automobile racing in the postwar period. Top-ranking positions and triumphs, such as at the legendary twenty-four-hour endurance race in Le Mans and the Carrera Panamericana in Mexico, are not a long time in the coming and as early as 1952 secure a place for the Stuttgart-based car on the worldwide motor sports scene. The racing car achieved particular fame for its unusual gull-winged doors, which turn the production sports car 300 SL, introduced in 1954 and directly derived from the W 194, into one of the lasting icons in automotive history. The book provides exhaustive and authentic documentation of the technical development of the W 194 based on extensive research in the archives of Mercedes-Benz Classic: all of the races as well as the biography of each individual vehicle are presented with the aid of in part unpublished images and illustrations. Its high-quality design as well as its exquisite features make the book a collector's item. (English edition ISBN 978-3-7757-4003-6)

In 1955, Mercedes-Benz wins the sports car world championship with the racing car 300 SLR (W 196 S). In addition to the triumphs achieved that same year in the formula 1 world championship and the European touring car championship, this success is proof of the unprecedented dominance of a single manufacturer on the stage of international automobile racing. Stirling Moss and Juan Manuel Fangio, the most successful drivers of their era, celebrate impressive double victories in the 300 SLR at the most demanding races in the world, triumphs that continue to afford this unparalleled racing car lasting fame to this day. Based on extensive research in the archives of Mercedes-Benz Classic, this book provides exhaustive and authentic documentation of the technical development of the W 196 S. All of the races as well as the biography of each individual vehicle are presented with the aid of images and illustrations which have never before been published. Its high-quality design and exquisite features make the book a true collector's item. (English edition ISBN 978-3-7757-4000-5)

A photographic homage to one of the finest cars ever built, now in a small format edition.

Cars

The Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Racing Car

Return to Glory!

Mercedes-Benz SL W113 Series

Das Jahrhundertauto

Mercedes-Benz

A lavishly illustrated tribute to one of the most beloved European cars of all time. For nearly seventy years, no car has moved the lovers of classic cars more than the 300 SL. A legend since its launch in 1954 as a gullwing coupe, the 300 SL has been seen as the very model of what a sports car can be, its style and beauty perfectly matched to its power and handling. This beautifully illustrated tribute volume brings together Hans Kleissl, one of the world's leading experts on the 300 SL, and former Daimler historian and Mercedes-Benz archive manager Harry Niemann. The resulting book captures the magic and mystique of the car through history, photographs, insights into its technological breakthroughs, and firsthand accounts of its storied run. There's no better gift for the passionate fan of the 300 SL.

The W113 isn't just a visual treat; its combination of superb original design, peerless engineering and build quality has ensured that many of these cars can still be seen in regular use today, with reliability and practicality adding to the desirability of the series. Covering the SL's ever-changing specification, its competition record, and its presence in many of the world's major markets is a huge task, but it's all presented here in definitive detail, along with stunning contemporary photography, in a volume that will readily grace any reference library shelf or connoisseur's coffee table.

Ferrari—perhaps the most storied car manufacturer in existence—celebrates its 75th anniversary in 2022. Ferrari: 75 Years chronicles the company's legendary story with a special emphasis on the production and sporting cars from 1947 to today.

IconiCars Mercedes-Benz 300 SL

The originality guide to Mercedes-Benz SL models, 1963-2003

Mercedes-Benz 300SL

The Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Book

Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Rennsportwagen

1963-1971

... Register Mercedes-Benz 300 SL (198.040 & 198.043) of the 1400 cars built, included all the factory dates, original specification when delivered, pictures, present location and history, if known ...

Here are the true stories of people who found their dream cars in the most unlikely places.

- The completely revised bestseller by René Staud and Jürgen Lewandowski in a 70th Anniversary Edition- An inspiring and must-have treasure trove for all fans of the sports car of the century- Photographer René Staud and author Jürgen Lewandowski are synonymous with expertise of the highest caliber when it comes to automobiles. This iconic sports car, from the first Mercedes 300 SL to its latest successors, proves that technology can indeed evolve into art. And who better to showcase this procession of pioneering automobiles than René Staud, whose striking photographs will captivate any enthusiast. This book, based on Staud's successful calendars, is an ode to an extraordinary vehicle whose spell stars such as Grace Kelly, Frank Sinatra and Alfred Hitchcock have all fallen under. The elaborately orchestrated pictures show sleek curves and precision in every detail, conveying the passion for this breathtaking automobile. A photographic tribute to the "sports car of the century", covering the 70-year history of the 300 SL racing car models from 1952 to the latest SL generation. Text in English, German, and French.

Great Stories of Automotive Archaeology

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A Pop-up Book of Automobiles

Gullwing - The Mercedes Benz 300 SL Coupe

Rudolf Uhlenhaut: Engineer and Gentleman

Mercedes-Benz 190SL, 300SL, 300SLR

A limited edition of 1500 copies. This book chronicles the development and racing career of a car regarded as the ultimate example of the purebred sports car of the 20th century and the epitome of functional beauty and extraordinary performance: the 1952 Mercedes-Benz 300 SL. Taking second place at its 1952 Mille Miglia debut, it went on to win every one of its races that season. Dramatic photos, vivid descriptions, and dramatic recollections from the drivers ensures this book will be a joy to read and enjoy for years to come.

If you started to look in 2015 for a decent R129, you might have wondered, why quite a few of them are already fairly expensive. Like its predecessor, it was built in relatively large numbers for a luxury sports roadster and like its predecessor, good examples will become only more expensive over the next years. The V8 is naturally the most popular version, but why not also consider the more reasonably priced six-cylinder models. After all you don't plan to use this car anymore to get as fast as possible from A to B. Today you use it more like you enjoy a well aged wine, where you savour every sip. With the R129 you cherish every ride. A special case is the V12. To buy one that is less than perfect is a guarantee to ruin you. You have read this far, then this new book, which was already published as e-book, will interest you. It comes with a comprehensive buyer's guide and explains the VIN and data card in great detail, so that one has a better understanding, how these cars were originally equipped and to which market they have been shipped first.

Naturally it covers the development and history of the R129, but it also reveals the engines' strong and weak points and has a look at the cars' recent price development. The book ends with a detailed list of the cars' technical specifications and the annual production history of each model.

The 300SL, the 190SL and the pagoda SL were already legends, when still in production. That has not changed till today. Names like "Gullwing" or "Pagoda" are forever associated with the SL name. Both cars are the foundation on which every new SL still rests today. And the SLK traces its roots back to the 190SL, the car that convinced management in the 1950s that the SL story was worth to be developed further. This reference book covers the complete history of all three versions, discusses a one of a kind 300SL roadster and comes with recent non-Daimler AG color photography. If you want to know more about these iconic Mercedes cars, then this book is for you. FREE BONUS: When you have bought this book, you are eligible for a free pdf file of any Mercedes model (such as W108 or W198 or R107 for example) the author has covered in one of his books. Please contact the author through his website (inside the book) and stipulate, which free pdf file you want him to send to you. These three cars are also covered in Bernd S. Koehling's books about Mercedes cars of the 1950s and 1960s. It was suggested to have them covered in a separate book to accompany the other SL book of Bernd S. Koehling: MERCEDES-BENZ, The modern SL, available also here on Amazon.

300 SL Book

From 1901 to Today

From the 300sl to the SI73 AMG

110 Years of Excellence

Racing Cars 1952-1953

Ferrari

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Mercedes Benz has now been manufacturing SL sports cars for fifty years, and for all that time the cars adorned with those two

special letters have been admired and coveted by car lovers the world over. It all started in 1954, with the fabulous and iconic 300SL Gullwing, a road car developed directly from the stunning 300SLR racing car. Other models followed, including the more affordable 190SL, the 'Pagoda' car of the sixties and the stylish ranges of the seventies and eighties. Mercedes now use the SL tag before rather than after the numbers in the cars' designations, but the line is as strong as ever, with a magnificent new range and an SLR supercar developed with McLaren that takes the family right back to its roots.

When Mercedes-Benz created its 300SL in 1952, the famed German automaker so outpaced its competition from Ferrari, Porsche and Jaguar that its design and engineering standards became the hallmark by which sports cars the world over would be judged for more than a decade. Trace this fantastic car's development from the first racers of 1952, through the production Gullwing coupe of 1954, the roadster, the 300SLR, and the W196 racers. Rare Daimler-Benz archival photos detail the models from prototype, to production, to racetrack. Sftbd., 10 x 10, 160 pgs., 50 b&w and 150 color ill.

300SL Book

The Complete Story

With Retro Style, 2012 Photoprint

Meilensteine des Motorsports

Mercedes-Benz, the Modern SL Cars, the R129

Mercedes-Benz Supercars

This archival volume with a large-scale photoprint documents the evolution of one of the most exceptional cars ever. In René Staud's unique photographs, every carefully-engineered curve and detailed component can be seen in stunning and accurate representation. Both tribute and testimony, this book conveys the outstanding contributions this automotive legend has made from the fifties all the way to the present day. Text in English, German, French, Chinese, and Russian clamshell box, portfolio with one signed and numbered photoprint SELLING POINTS:

*Containing one of René Staud's most distinctive photographs as a signed and numbered print *A refined and finely crafted box will preserve this edition in mint condition 175 color and b/w photographs

Surveys the development history of this unique model. Unveiled in March 1952 it remains one of the most highly prized cars still in production.

Discusses the history of cars, from Cugnot's Steam Wagon and the Ford Model T to the Honda Civic and BMW Z4 Roadster.

Original Mercedes SL

Great Cars of Great Collections

Mercedes-Benz 300SL.