

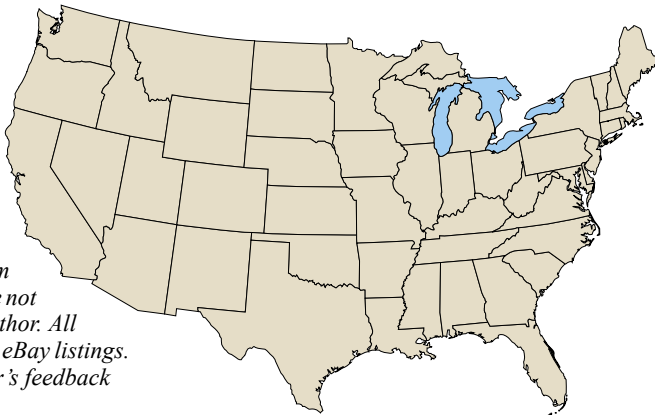
Porsches Around the Web

Your choice: Two stock (and appreciating) mid-year 911s, or a “Poseurs R US” wannabe Stroszek something-or-other

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Market opinions in italics

This month we bring you some of Porsche’s best from the ’70s, along with some that have received (or need) a little plastic surgery.

Condition inferred from seller’s descriptions; cars were not physically examined by the author. All quoted material taken from the eBay listings. sf=seller’s feedback; bf=buyer’s feedback



#140090262630-1973 PORSCHE 911S coupe. S/N 9113300161. Silver/black. Odo: 80,701 miles. 2 photos. Lansing, MI. Stored for ten years. Equipped with sunroof and Euro bumpers. “After-market installation of flared European rear wheel wells, so it has wide tires.” Solid, “body is mostly in good shape, but as you can see in the pictures, there are some small



#330095633236-1970 PORSCHE 911E coupe. S/N 9110200423. Ruby Red/black leather & cloth. Odo: 71,328 miles. Very nice hobby restoration by an airline mechanic (aka meticulous). “Bare-metal, glass-out repaint.” Oversized Minilites, 944 seats, and belts. New carpets, rubber, bushings, and tires. Rebuilt



2.4-liter engine and 5-speed. Seller is moving, and just had a kid. 1 “Buy-It-Now” bid, sf 113, bf 922. Cond: 2. **SOLD AT \$13,800.** *The underinformed selection of a terribly low “Buy-It-Now” price resulted in an immediate \$5k–\$10k loss for the seller. The buyer was quick, as he nabbed this deal before it even saw 200 page views. Ouch.*

#190087664897-1970 PORSCHE 911T coupe. S/N 9110123201. Gold/brown leather. Odo: 67,141 miles. 24 photos. Los Angeles, CA. 67k documented miles. Sold new (in Conda Green) in Spain. 5-speed, S brakes, 6-inch Fuchs, H1 lights, dealer-installed a/c. “You will not find a nicer example of an early 911T, the body is absolutely rust and accident free, with beautiful shut lines and all it’s original panels, the pans and floors are all original, undamaged and rust free.” Painted gold 20 years ago. No smoke, no leaks. 23 bids, sf 19, bf 35. Cond: 2. **SOLD AT \$18,599.** *It’s scary how well this seller summarized the offering: “These early 911 cars have to represent the absolute best value of any true Classic Car on*



the market today. They are high performance, low production cars, made by a Manufacturer dedicated to motor racing, have a build quality second to none, and even after all these years, a well kept example is pure joy to own and drive.” Well bought and sold at a market-correct price.

#140092943200-1970 PORSCHE 914-6 Roadster. S/N 9140432104. Irish Green/black vinyl/Black. Odo: 90,500 miles. 24 photos. Morro Bay, CA. 2,500 miles since \$12k engine upgrade with bigger 2.2-liter pistons & barrels. Brakes and suspension rebuilt. “It is



*in amazing condition. It starts easily and runs smoothly through all gears.” 26 bids, sf 182, bf 40. Cond: 2. **SOLD AT \$24,100.** 4-cyl 914s are still on the upswing, and great 914-6s have been changing hands in the low \$20s for most of the “W” presidency. Nice example, but not a remarkable price for either side—maybe that’s remarkable in itself.*

dents, paint chips and a tiny bit of rust.” Interior OK. Engine needs rebuild. 55 bids, sf 223, bf 14. Cond: 4+. **SOLD AT \$35,335.** *Much of the Q & A revolved around the incorrect “Carrera” badge on the engine cover. That, along with the flares and the repaint, seemed to be about a 30-year-old masquerade. Still, the S/N checked out as one of 1,430 final year “long hood” 911S coupes. Steep as it may seem, this is what a mildly molested, #4, ’73 911S coupe with a sunroof will bring these days.*

#270093398517-1974 PORSCHE 911 Carrera RS replica coupe. S/N 9114100702. White & black/black leather. 5 photos. Bethel, CT. “3.6L conversion by Dan Jacobs” using Patrick Motorsports Kit. Front-mounted oil cooler, fiberglass bumpers & tail. H5 headlights, aero mirrors. Two-piece 17-inch Fuchs replicas. Recent “professional” repaint. Fitted with Recaros, RS door pockets, and a roll bar. “Perfect for Street, Track or Drivers ED” 8



bids, sf 31, bf 4. Cond: 2. **SOLD AT \$29,000.** *Seller does not specify which 3.6L engine was used (248-hp 964, 270-hp 993, or 282-hp 993). Limited slip and the model of transmission (915 5-speed?) are also omitted. These expensive and important details should have affected the price for what is really just a German hot rod that will never be eligible for a serious “race.” A fair price assuming it had the 964 engine and 915 trans... a bargain if otherwise.*

Fresh Meat

Online sales of recent production cars.

2007 Aston Martin V8 Vantage



Date sold: 03/14/2007
eBay auction ID: 230101522077

Seller: Private party
Sale Type: Used car with 1,700 miles
Details: Mercury Silver with Kestral Tan interior, 19" wheels, premium AM sound with Bluetooth
Sale result: \$102,200, 11 bids, sf 35, bf 74
MSRP: \$113,200
Other current offering: Foreign Cars Italia, Charlotte, NC, www.foreigncarsitalia.com, asking \$121,980 for a black car with 408 miles.

2007 BMW Alpina B7



Date sold: 03/27/2007
eBay auction ID: 150103924701
Seller: BMW of Austin, Austin, TX, www.bmwofaustin.com
Sale Type: New car in stock.
Details: Black Sapphire over black leather with wood trim, supercharged V8, Harman-Kardon
Sale result: \$121,695, 1 bid, sf 281, bf 78
MSRP: \$125,000
Other current offering: DiFeo BMW, Tenafly, NJ, www.difeobmw.com, asking \$124,260 for a similar car.

2007 Mercedes-Benz CL600



Date sold: 01/18/2007
eBay auction ID: 120073087872
Seller: Mercedes-Benz of Bedford, Bedford, OH, www.bedford.mercedescenter.com
Sale Type: New car
Details: Black on black with black ash trim. Xenon, nav, Sirius, Distronic, active ventilated seats
Sale result: \$141,600, 2 bids, sf 14, bf 10
MSRP: \$147,575
Other current offering: Mercedes-Benz of Miami, Miami, FL, www.mercedesbenzofmiami.com, asking \$149,700 for a black/beige car with 25 miles. ♦

#290044890259-1974 **PORSCHE 911 Carrera coupe.** S/N 9114400016. Lime Green & black/black leather. Odo: 96,000 miles. 42 photos. Huntington, NY. One of 528 built. Actual Road & Track and Car & Driver cover car from 1974. #137 lime green paint is compromised by nasty rust bubbling through at base of A-pillar and lower half of both doors. Bumper rubber tired, seats splitting. "...currently registered,



and is in drive away condition." 16 bids, sf 218, bf private. Cond: 4+. **SOLD AT \$17,800.** Buyer Walter Dawydiak of carsauto.com already has several brightly-colored '74 Carrera coupes, but wants "the full roll of lifesavers." I emailed him the link, and were it not for that expensive-looking rust, I would be kicking myself. I'll probably soon be kicking myself anyway, as it's probably safe to drop \$20k-\$25k restoring this rare specimen.

#270069077974-1974 **PORSCHE 911 Carrera targa.** S/N 9114410079. Orange/black vinyl/black leather. Odo: 7,016 miles. 36 photos. St. Louis, MO. One of 246 made. Body and engine (not interior) restored 15 years ago at a cost of \$55,000, driven 50k since. "Targa top looks good and the weather stripping looks good overall but is older. There is one spot on the underside drivers floor that is showing some rust..." Also rusty under engine cover. 23



bids, sf 965, bf private. Cond: 4+. **SOLD AT \$15,750.** Seller "Motexotica" describes one ramification of their research: "After talking both to Mr. Rizzo and his wife, I came to the conclusion that she did not know what all this cost, and I apologize to Mr. Rizzo for the effect that this might have when she reads this." Rizzo's pain aside, this Targa was relisted a couple times before finding a home... one that hopefully won't spend more than \$10 cleaning it up.

#170057705485-1974 **PORSCHE 911 Strosek targa.** S/N 9114112402. Yellow/yellow fiberglass/black leather. 24 photos. Santa Maria, CA. Custom work on this Targa includes, "full Strosek style C2/4 Turbo kit with 993 style front lip intergrated into the front spoiler, rounded lower front door egdes, 993 windshield sprayers relocated to the front hood (a la Porsche 993), custom painted gauges with updated Porsche Boxster fonts and Strosek logos (not some cheesy, slap in face plates), 18" rims and tires fit perfectly." 2.7-liter base engine has 140k miles and a thorough



detailing. 40 bids, sf 299, bf 102. Cond: 2. **SOLD AT \$25,000.** For the price of two stock (and appreciating) mid-year 911s (one coupe and one Targa perhaps?), you too could roll in a block of Velveeta straight outta "Poseurs R Us." Well sold, if not well done.

#110099891578-1974 **PORSCHE 914 Roadster.** Ravena Green/black fiberglass/gray & black vinyl. Odo: 89,900 miles. 18 Photos. Dallas, TX. "Daily driver and stock restoration in progress." Typical one-inch rust hole in the battery box, other bubbling rust confined to opposite corner of engine compartment. Original California car. Needs targa rubber and recently



discovered oil leaks repaired. "Original L-Jet FI is solid and sorted." New Kumhos. 8 bids, sf 99, bf 1. Cond: 3. **SOLD AT \$3,951.** While many folks have been holding out for earlier chrome-bumper examples, the prices of all 4-cyl 914s have been rising to foil them. Even with a minor case of 914-typical rust, this solid car in a bilious but period color was a deal by \$1k-\$2k.

#320048109508-1975 **PORSCHE 911S Anniversary Edition coupe.** S/N 9115200160. Diamond Silver Metallic/black tweed. Odo: 8,491 miles. 9 Photos. Solon, OH. "8491 original miles." #21 of 750 Anniversary edition cars made. "The production number is on the original plaque on the dash signed by Dr. Porsche."



One owner. "This particular vehicle has been meticulously maintained." 22 bids, sf 2, bf 67. Cond: 2+. **SOLD AT \$26,700.** Mid-year ('74-'77) 911s are hot right now. Absurdly low miles and very desirable colors made for a very high price here, but one that is not over-the-top. ♦