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1979 INDIANAPOLIS 500 PACE CAR



For the first time since 1964, the Mustang had been selected to pace the Indianapolis 500 and it did it wearing a special themed livery and an assorment of exclusive parts. The popularity of the car sparked the creation of a limited run of replicas that minicked the three original examples. Avaliable with exclusive options like Recaro buckets and the metric sized TRX wheels this rare fox was highly desirable and saw a total production of 10,478 examples in the 1979 model year.

1980-81 MUSTANG COBRA

1980 saw another Mustang rocking a wild livery and special options transferring many of the exclusive 1979 pace car styling and performance cues to the new year model. Equipped with the 2.3 Turbo in 1980 this car made 132 hp and 142 lb-ft of torque all while sporting a wild graphics package complete with a blazing Cobra on the hood. This car was a part of Ford's push to try and make their smaller displacement engines a driving force in the insustry, but the 302 inevitably returned in 1982



Celebrating 20 years of the Mustang brought about another limited edition that payed tribute to the classic Mustang G.T. 350 of 1964. These cars, which were all based off of a standard 1984 Mustang (Hatchback or Convertible), were built in just 35 days and featured an Oxford White exterior with red trim and a red interior. Of the 5,260 anniversary Mustangs made available, only 104 Turbo GT350 convertible models were created, each featuring the 2.3L cars, both hatchback and convertible, featured the turbo engine.

1985-86 SAGE GREEN SVO "4E"

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With only 47 SVO Mustangs Rolling out of Dearborn with Sage Green paint, between 1985 and 86, this is possibly one of the rarest Fox Body Mustangs on the road today. 20 Models made were produced and marketed as $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Hertz}}$ rental cars making the original examples even more desirable amongst Fox purists and SVO fanatics. If you find an SVO rocking the paint code 4E you're truly standing in rare company, so snag a picture or make the purchase, because there's no telling when or if you'll see one again!



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ROUSH 25th ANNIVERSARY CONCEPT



Even rarer than the Sage Green SVO is this wild Fox straight from the mind of Ford Racing legend, Jack Roush! Dubbed the "Performance Leader Mustang" this one-off special edition proposal featured a Twin-Turbo 351c.i. engine that pushed 400hp with only 8psi pushing through the turbos. Often thought of

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e grandfather of the 93 Cobra this car featured tasteful styling upgrades that eventually inspired the SVT produced vehicle. Ahead of it's time and axed by the hand of a recession we got only one example of this car which can be seen today at the Roush Museum in Livonia, Michigan.

1990 7-UP MUSTANG CONVERTIBL

After a failed Marketing contest idea by 7-Up Bottling Company, Ford was left with a concept, a car, and nothing special to do for the Mustang's 25th Anniversary which in turn birthed the 1990 Special Edition Convertible! Dubbed the 7-Up Edition by enthusiasts, this LX convertible featured GT Turbine Wheels, White top/interior, and coated in a beautiful shade of Emerald Green Paint. Ford only produced 4,103 "7-Up" models in 1990, but it was enough to stimulate sales and carry the Mustang through the Anniversary year with ease!

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1992 MUSTANG "SUMMERTIME"

Another Ford "Feature Car" (the Vibrant Red 1992 "Summer Special") was produced with the same purpose of the "7-Up" and was released during a time of struggling sales to boost sales numbers. Offered with a special appearance package, this car featured body color trim, white top, white pony wheels, sport style spoiler, and a white/black interior combo to attract young buyers and bring customers into Ford Showrooms. Only 2,193 units were produced in 1992 which only adds value to it's tasteful appearance and makes it highly sought after!

1993 MUSTANG COBRA R

The icing on the 14 year fox body cake was the limited production of the 1993 Mustang Cobra R. Built to showcase the full power of Ford's newly formed Special Vehicle Team (SVT) this Cobra R was built with a race car mentality! The R model's track-inspired handling came from heavy-duty MacPherson struts, Koni shocks on all four corners and the use of a front-strut tower brace. You could have one in any color you wanted, as long as it was red, and production of the 1993 SVT Mustang Cobra R was limited to just 107 vehicles.



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