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THE STORY OF A. W. MICHIELS

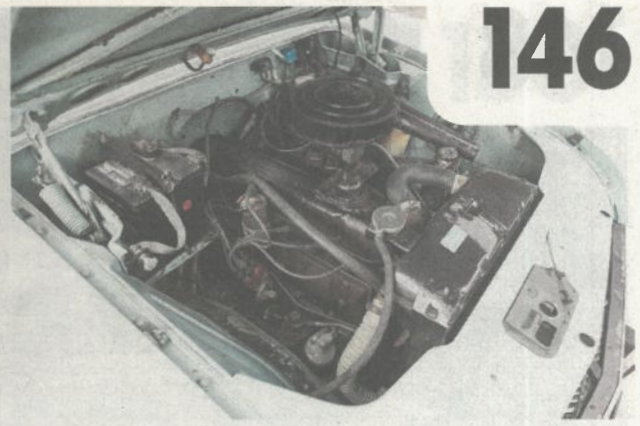
Willy Michiels (1937–2020) was a visionary Belgian entrepreneur and respected civic leader who rose from modest beginnings in Haaltert to become a pioneer of the national amusement industry. He established leading gaming and real estate enterprises while serving his community as municipal councillor, alderman, and mayor. A devoted connoisseur of engineering and heritage, Michiels assembled a remarkable collection of historic carriages, classic tractors, and vintage automobiles, alongside one of Belgium's most distinguished private wine cellars. He is remembered for his ambition, innovative spirit, and refined sense of taste.



A CENTURY OF MOTORING

The Willy Michiels Collection brings together a remarkably diverse selection of over 100 motor cars and motorcycles, spanning nearly 100 years of automotive history across 28 marques. Offered entirely online and incredibly all without reserve, the sale represents a rare opportunity to acquire cars across an unusually broad range of eras, styles, and categories. From European classics and sporting icons to luxury automobiles and modern performance cars, the collection traces nearly a century of motoring in its many forms.







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1959 OPEL KAPITÄN

ESTIMATE: **€4.000 – €6.000**
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CHASSIS NO. **220957933**

An example of the P2-generation Kapitän produced by Opel between 1959 and 1963

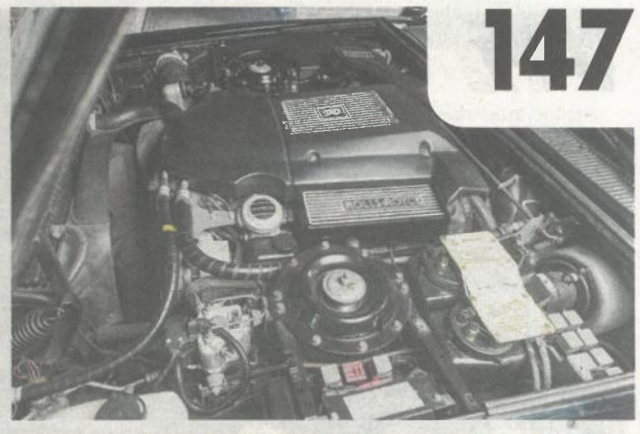
Houses a 2.6-litre straight-six engine; rated for a top speed of 150 km/h

Presents in a pale green-blue hue over an interior trimmed with ivory upholstery

Features charming Art Deco fascia, horizontal speedometer, and rear-centre armrest

Believed to have been owned in northern Portugal during the mid-2010s, prior to joining The Willy Michiels Collection in Belgium







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1997 ROLLS-ROYCE SILVER SPUR IV

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CHASSIS NO. **SCAZN20C5VCX59920**

Series IV edition of the Silver Spur, the extended-wheelbase Silver Spirit variant

Left-hand-drive example completed in February 1997

Delivered new to Japan via official Rolls-Royce importer Cornes & Co Ltd

Factory-finished wearing Black Emerald paintwork; complemented by beige leather

Garrett-turbocharged 6.75-litre V-8 is paired with a four-speed automatic transmission

Odometer displays 150,587 kilometres at the time of cataloguing