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FERRARI 250 GTO

Thanks to its peerless combination of competition success, beauty and rarity, the Ferrari 250 GTO has become the jewel in the crown of any collection. Seeing one up close is always a thrill for any enthusiast. Introduced in 1962, the GTO was the ultimate development of Ferrari's 250 GT Berlinetta series, which stretched back to 1956 and helped to lay the foundation of the Ferrari legend. The 250 GT Berlinettas dominated motorsport's GT class and were particularly successful in the Tour de France, winning this most gruelling of events no fewer than nine years in a row. Ahead of the 1964 season, 4399GT was one of four existing GTOs to receive the revised bodywork that Ferrari had developed for that year – three more were built with the 1964 bodywork from new. Its shape may have changed, but its form hadn't. Graham Hill took 4399GT to victory at Goodwood and Silverstone, Mike Parkes did likewise in the Spa 500km, and Innes Ireland and Tony Maggs took it to sixth overall, and second in class, at the Le Mans 24 Hours.

