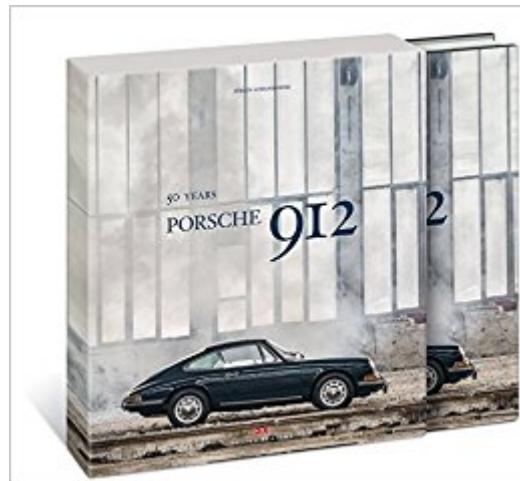


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Porsche 912: 50 Years



Synopsis

When the Porsche 912 was introduced in the spring of 1965, some members of the staff were not quite happy with the new model, for it still had the four-cylinder engine of the 356 that was no longer in production, while the 911 already had the new six-cylinder, and had become a legend. However, the 911 was so expensive that many Porsche devotees in Germany could not, or did not want to, afford to buy it. For this reason, Porsche quickly needed a new, less expensive model so the 912 came into being, and from 1966 to 1969 about 32,000 vehicles were built. Apart from the Porsche 912 Coupé (1965 to 1969) this book also presents the Porsche 912 Targa (1966 to 1969). Less well-known, but all the more intriguing, is the story of the Porsche 912E, built in 1976 just for the US market, and of which only 2099 specimens exist.

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Customer Reviews

A new book from Germany's Delius Klasing finally sets the record straight and shows the 912 to be an iconic sports coupé in its own right. (Jared Paul Stern Airows, July 25 2016) The author conveys a large amount of technical information in telling the 912's story, but by design it is in an extremely accessible manner, so it seemingly disappears into the overarching thoughtfully presented historical narrative. More importantly for a book that has never been written as in-depth about the subject, the author uncovers and reveals a treasure trove of previously unknown information, revelations, and scoops on the model's development including that the 912 was developed in tandem with the 911, instead of as an afterthought as previously believed. |

Without a doubt, an absolute must for any 912 owner. (Petrolicious)A new book from Germany's Delius Klasing finally sets the record straight and shows the 912 to be an iconic sports coupé in its own right. (Airrows)After years in the shadow of its big brother, the Porsche 912 gets its due with an in-depth look at its history and development in this gorgeous and lovingly compiled, 176-page ode to the four-cylinder, would-be 911. (Automobile Magazine) --This text refers to an alternate Hardcover edition.

Exceptional production standards with heavy stock and excellent reproduction. Lewandowski sheds some new light on what we all assume was a well-known story of the 912's genesis. I was surprised to learn that fitting a 356 engine in the 912 engine bay was not as easy as thought. Of course, the whole project was driven by the bean counters but even that was not as straight-forward as others (myself included) have described in print. Having owned three of these it was nice to see the 912 get some well deserved love with a high-class book all its own.

This is the first Porsche book I've read that didn't basically say "Oh yeah, they also made the 912E for 1976." This book is definitely at a premium price point but the 912 and 912E group is pretty small so it would have to be. The only book I'd compare it to would be The 911 Story by Paul Frere. Few books dive this deep into the developmental history of a Porsche car.

Gift for my brother who said he loved it.

Great book, arrived very well packed and in mint condition. The detail and all the photos on the unsung hero that is the Porsche 912. Great coffee table and reference book, definitely a must have for the Porsche lover

excellent, comprehensive book on the history of the Porsche 912. I highly recommend it for anyone interested in the 912!!!!

If you have or want a Porsche 912 this book should be in your library

Well written; clearly captures the significance of the 912 to the Porsche marque. Great pictures.

The website description for this book does not do it justice. After 50 years, here's a book devoted

entirely to Porsche 912 & 912E history, providing insights for owners, and perspective for enthusiasts. At 175 pages, that's about 170 more pages than other Porsche history books allot to the 912. Lewandowski searched the factory archives, dispelled some old myths, reintroduces forgotten facts. For example, prototypes for both the 912 and the 912E generations were envisioned and developed years ahead of release, rather than being afterthought models as some authors have suggested. Dr. Wolfgang Porsche provides the foreword; his first car was the second 912 [902] prototype. And the 912 has a place in Porsche racing history; while the factory racing department considered the 912's four-cylinder Type 616 engine old technology, a privateer took his 1967 912 to win the European Rally Championship for its class. Overall, the book combines lots of information with quality graphics and format. Is the book a perfect, benchmark 912 all-inclusive source for purists? No; however it presents Porsche enthusiasts a view of this Porsche model in a deservedly appreciative light, and hopefully it will motivate other authors to attempt their version of the ultimate 912/912E book. BTW: If you need originality data to win a concours, for 1965-1969 912 years consider "911 & 912 Porsche: A Restorer's Guide to Authenticity" by Dr. Bruce Johnson, 1989; for the 1976 model year 912E look at "1974-1989 911, 912E and 930 Porsche", by Mark S. Haab, 1995. If you want to purchase, maintain, and enhance performance of the 1965-1969 912, track down a copy of "The Complete Porsche 912 Guide" by Duane Spencer, 2002.

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