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The Aston Workshop

Everything you need to know about the Aston Martin specialists. Established 1988.

The Aston Martin V8 Redefined V8 Evolution 6.0 unleashes the full potential of the AM V8



Remastering an icon isn't a task we take lightly. Decades of experience, years of research and development and countless hours of testing have led to this point; the V8 Evolution 6.0 is a complete redefinition of what the AM V8 is capable of. The most complete package of upgrades ever fitted to the Aston Martin V8, Evolution 6.0 represents the next advancement and is exclusive to Aston Workshop.

At the heart of the V8 Evolution 6.0 is our completely rebuilt engine, enlarged to 6.0 litre capacity and enhanced with our in-house developed electronic fuel injection system. Capable of producing power and torque that far exceeds the original production design, this ground-up re-imagining of the Tadek Marek V8 applies some 21st century thinking while retaining the iconic V8 character of the 1970s and 80s.

To make the most of the leap in performance our fuelinjected V8 produces, we fit a 6-speed manual gearbox taken from the modern Aston Martin range. Compared to both the factory-fit 5-speed manual and 4-speed automatic gearboxes, our modern upgrade offers better acceleration, improved fuel economy and a lower cruising engine speed while offering a more refined user experience.

Finally, a suite of in-house developed suspension, brake and chassis strength upgrades mean the V8 Evolution 6.0 goes, handles and stops far better than when it left the Aston Martin Newport Pagnell factory. All in all, the V8 Evolution 6.0 offers composure when cruising and performance when driven at the limit. And it's only available from Aston Workshop.

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Set amongst the rolling hills of County Durham our worldclass sales, service and restoration facility houses some of the rarest and most unique Aston Martins ever produced. Utilsing state-of-the-art equipment combined with time-tested traditional techniques, our team take on some of the most challenging and exciting Aston Martin projects each year.

Visit Aston Workshop and you'll initially be greeted by our showroom, hosting one of the most outstanding collections of Aston Martins in the UK. One of the busiest areas at Aston Workshop HQ is our modern servicing facility, caring for Astons ranging from the DB7 all the way to the current model range. At the heart of our business lies our restoration workshop where we breathe new life into the classic Aston Martins the world has come to love, incorporating a balance of traditional skills and cutting-edge modern technology.

Since our inception in 1988, Aston Workshop has remained consistently committed to innovation and evolution. Our 'Special Projects' program is tailored towards delivering the most unique Aston Martin restorations with a range of bespoke options available. Increasingly popular is our V8 Evolution 6.0, which redefines what the iconic AM V8 is capable of - see page 8 for more information. Other special projects include our DB4 GT Zagato recreations, highly accurate revivals of the 1960s race car, and our Ultimate DB5 program that combines a world-class restoration with a range of discreet modern upgrades

Over the following 32 pages, let us introduce you to everything Aston Workshop. Unique amongst Aston specialists, our "all under one roof" approach to Aston Martin sales, service and restoration ensures Aston Workshop remains the home of this iconic marque



BOB FOUNTAIN OWNER & FOUNDER

A lifelong obsession with everything Aston Martin is the driving force behind Bob Fountain, Aston Workshop's owner and founder. Buying the land that would become the Red Row Estate in the 1980s, Bob started the business after his restoration of a DB5 in the shed outside his home. Since then, the company has gone from strength to strength with Bob at the wheel; nearly 40 years later he remains at the head of the business, guiding Aston Workshop to take on fresh challenges and develop new and exciting enhancements and upgrades.



FRASER FOUNTAIN MANAGING DIRECTOR

As the son of Aston Workshop Founder and CEO Bob Fountain, Fraser started working for the company from a young age and Red Row has been his home his whole life. He cut his teeth restoring a Land Rover in a garden shed and then moved onto restoring Aston Martins for the company. Fraser spent some time away from Beamish, living in London and studying mechanical engineering. He then secured a job working in a prestigious supercar garage before moving back to Beamish to work at Aston Workshop. He worked both in the workshop and the marketing team before taking on the role

of Managing Director in 2023.

Steeped in history and tradition

Over 35 years ago the tiny hamlet of Red Row Beamish became the unlikely home of Aston Martin restoration in the North of England. In the outbuildings surrounding his stone farmhouse, Aston Workshop founder Bob Fountain's home restoration of his own DB5 was the first stage in a never-ending obsession with all things Aston Martin. In order to work on more cars simultaneously more space was constructed nearby; more staff were employed with the specialist skills needed to pursue the very best engineering

Aston Workshop has progressively extended that first newly built workshop and now occupies a comprehensive 45,000 square feet facility on its 37-acre site. The business employs a 45-strong workforce representing hundreds of years of Aston Martin experience, a number of whom were trained at Aston Martin's headquarters. Bob remains in the driver's seat, surrounded by dedicated staff who share his passion and enthusiasm, while his son Fraser handles the day-to-day running of the business. Aston Workshop offers everything from complete restorations of vintage, classic and heritage cars to servicing and diagnostics of the very latest models by our factory trained technicians. Our on-site facilities have grown to include two showrooms with 80 car capacity, service bays, comprehensive restoration workshop, trim shop, body shop, engine assembly room and dyno, state-of-the-art spray booths, parts manufacturing and parts distribution. After such a long time in the Beamish countryside, just a stone's throw from its world-famous open-air museum, it is hard to imagine the local area without the daily sight and sound of Aston Martins on its winding

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Our Facility

A hidden treasure for the Aston Martin enthusiast

Nestled within the rolling hills of Beamish, County Durham is our 45,000 sq ft headquarters. With dedicated facilities for every part of Aston Martin sales, service and restoration we can safely claim to be the home of the marque in the North of England. We are always happy to give behind-the-scenes tours to our visitors, but until then we present the virtual version of our facility where every aspect of the rebirth of an Aston Martin takes place.







Overlooking the home of our resident wildlife population, our peaceful sales reception is the first step on many owners' route into Aston Martin ownership.

Service Reception

Discuss your maintenance requirements and collect your customer courtesy car from our service department reception.



Heritage Workshop

With dedicated mechanical work bays for 12 cars, this central hub of our facility is always a busy area with cars at all stages of restoration and repair. Dedicated parts storage for all current restorations is made on the workshop mezzanine to ensure high levels of organisation and efficiency.



Trim Shop

All of the tools, materials and space required to make beautifully finished car interiors can be found here, ensuring our technicians provide the most exquisite finishing touches.



Paint Shop

Hand-finishing aluminium bodies requires both patience and space to be undertaken successfully, and this high level of preparation happens here prior to going into our state-of-the-art booth for painting.



Featuring dedicated booths for aluminium and steel fabrication, as well as for panel repairs and restoration, our panel-shaping tools located here ensure the exact fit for hand-built classics and their modern counterparts.



Showroom

Arranged around a central browsing aisle, our cars are presented as a timeline as you enter the showroom. Starting at the showroom entrance with cars from the 1930s visitors experience multiple models from each era for sale as they pass towards the selection of modern cars available.



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Car Barn Beamish

Also on site we have Car Barn Beamish, our sports, prestige, and classic car specialist offering sales and workshop services.



Valeting Bays

Every car entrusted to us is cared for by the full time valet team, who provide cleaning, machine polishing and general detailing services.



Modern Workshop

Equipped with the very latest Aston Martin diagnostic equipment, including AMDS2 diagnostic tools as found in the main dealer network, our factory trained technicians are kept up-to-date with online updates and support from the manufacturer, meaning we regularly see a vast array of modern Aston Martins for routine maintenance and repair each year across our 3 bays.

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Engine Building

In its own tidy enclosed environment is our engine assembly room and adjacent engine dyno area where new and reconditioned engines are tested to ensure they meet our stringent performance requirements.



Dynamometer

Our new engine dynamometer ensures our engine testing capabilities remain industry leading. The test rig provides our engine builders with all the required information, in real time, to tune the engines he produces for the smoothest and most enjoyable driving experience. While some customers may require the maximum possible power figures or need an engine for racing purposes, most of our engines are built for road-going cars and as such we aim to produce a tractable, drivable engine instead.



Engineering

6 cylinder, V8 or V12.

Our large engineering department is equipped with a vast array of machinery and tooling, both modern and traditional to provide the necessary reconditioning, repair and upgrade to all eras of Aston Martin engine whether

engineering section of our website





As well as sourcing parts for our restoration and service technicians, our team of parts advisors offer email, telephone and counter service from our well-For more details equipped stores.



call our Parts Team on 01207 268932



Manufacturing

Building bespoke cars brings with it the challenge of design and supply of components often in low volumes. By way of significant investment in modern technology our manufacturing department has state-of-the-art digital manufacturing machinery to make the bespoke parts we need, many of which are now manufactured in bulk and offered to trade and retail customers too.



THE ASTON WORKSHOP // ISSUE 6 Goodwood Revival 2024 A mainstay on the Aston Workshop calendar, Goodwood Revival remains the top historic race meeting in the UK. For 2024 we took things even further, with our traditional tipi full to the brim with project cars,

in-house produced parts and ongoing engineering projects. We also brought even more of our team with us to host the wonderful guests

Three cars made the journey to the South Coast; A DB4 GT Zagato recreation nearing completion, a DB5 full restoration that we have underway and a DB4 GT Zagato recreation right at the start of the project.

Also on display were examples of our in-house produced engine blocks and cylinder heads, parts produced by our machine shop and much more.

The action on track remained as exciting as ever, with Aston Martins

competing in the Fordwater Trophy, the Stirling Moss Memorial Trophy, the Richmond and Gordon Trophies and the Freddie March Memorial Trophy. Mathias Sielecki's DB3S narrowly missed out on a podium in the Freddie March Memorial Trophy, but the highlight of the weekend was Seven-time NASCAR Cup winner Jimmie Johnson and four-time IndyCar champion Dario Franchetti winning the Stirling Moss Memorial Trophy by some distance in their DB4GT.

The 2024 edition of Goodwood Revival will be remembered for both the quality of its racing and the technical advances made through the use of sustainable fuels. For the first time, the whole race meeting was run exclusively on sustainable fuels that deliver identical performance yet have a far reduced environmental impact.

Goodwood Revival also serves as the official launch event for our annual newspaper. A record number of copies were handed out to visiting guests this time round, and this is a tradition we'll be continuing in the future.











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Le Mans Classic 2025

A new event on the Aston Workshop calendar for 2025 was Le Mans Classic, taking place at the iconic Circuit de la Sarthe in northern France. The on-track action featured race cars from every era of the 24 hours of Le Mans, while around the circuit thousands of motorsport and vintage car enthusiasts displayed a huge selection of sports and

Neil, Workshop Manager, and Jack from the Aston Workshop marketing department made the 1,500-mile round trip to Le Mans Classic in two pre-war Lagondas. The first, a 1938 Lagonda LG6, was one of only six ever built

with a Drophead Coupe body while the second car, a 1934 Lagonda M45, was specifically designed with long-distance touring in mind. Commissioned by company founder Bob Fountain, our M45 was built using lessons learned during the 2007 Peking to Paris with the goal of being the ultimate rally competition vehicle.

Our two cars were on show to the nearly 250,000 visitors to Le Mans Classic 2025, taking pride of place amongst a display of over 30 pre-war Lagondas celebrating 90 years since the while the M45 has been given a marque won the 24 hours of Le Mans with an M45 Rapide. Other cars of

were a selection of pre-war race cars, 'The Muncher' DBS V8 and a brace of DBR9s competing in the Endurance Racing Legends category.

After a successful weekend including many admiring comments regarding our two cars, the LG6 and M45 made the journey home through northern France, across to Dover and then back to Beamish displaying perfect reliability. Our LG6 has now returned to the collection in our showroom thorough test and shakedown ahead of future long-distance trips.











The Hill 2025

For the third year running we hosted neighbours from the local area, North East car enthusiasts and Aston Martin owners from around the country at The Hill, our annual open day. Workshop tours, engine dynamometer demonstrations and drop-in expert Q&A sessions were just some of what was on offer at our open-all-areas event as we invited

goes on at one of the world's leading Aston Martin specialists.

The Black Horse Beamish pub were also on hand with a selection of hot food, drinks and freshly baked cakes. The Hill will return in Summer 2026, so keep an eye on our website and social media accounts for more details.















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Born from decades of Aston Martin restoration and enhancement, our V8 Evolution 6.0 upgrade redefines what the AM V8 is in the 21st century. Thoroughly upgraded and restored to a standard far exceeding the factory specification, the V8 Evolution 6.0 is everything the Aston Martin V8 was meant to be.

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The iconic 'brute-in-asuit' Aston Martin, the V8 represents a bygone era of power, style and grace.

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Put simply, the Aston Workshop V8 Evolution 6.0 is the most complete set of upgrades ever offered for the AM V8. A leap forward not seen since Aston Martin released the 'X-Pack' Vantage upgrade in 1986, our V8 Evolution 6.0 combines world-class restoration with cutting edge technology in one all-encompassing package.

At the heart of the V8 Evolution 6.0 is the iconic Aston Martin V8 engine. Enlarged to 6.0 litres in capacity and fitted with a bespoke Aston Workshopdeveloped electronic fuel injection system, the Evolution 6.0 engine represents the next natural progression in the Aston Martin V8's development.

In keeping with the Aston Workshop philosophy that as much work as possible should be undertaken by ourselves on site, the full engine build takes place at our County Durham HQ. The original AM V8 engine is first stripped and cleaned in our engineering facility, allowing for detailed inspection and repairs where necessary. The engine block, now returned to a factory-fresh condition, is machined to accept oversized liners and larger, low-friction pistons. The cylinder heads are also extensively overhauled, with reworked inlet and exhaust ports for better flow. Cooling capacity is vastly improved by the fitment of an aluminium radiator and high-flow water pump that help to keep up with the cooling demands of driving in modern traffic.

The final (and perhaps most important) ingredient that separates the V8 Evolution 6.0 engine from the rest of the pack is our in-house developed Electronic Fuel Injection system. The result of an extensive development process informed by decades of Aston Martin V8 restoration and engine building, our EFI kit is vastly superior to the originally available fuel-injection systems in terms of reliability and usability. Neatly packaged beneath the engine's factory airbox, Aston Workshop EFI allows for an increase to power, torque and fuel economy while eliminating the need for regular tuning or frustrating starts on cold mornings.

A modern 6-speed manual transmission is standard fitment on our V8 Evolution 6.0 projects, bringing with it levels of refinement, performance and fuel economy the original gearbox options fail to match. Matching the character of the newly uprated V8 while simultaneously improving cruising refinement and economy, our modern manual gearbox option is visually identical inside the car yet represents a generational shift in terms of spirited drivability and usability.



Whether utilising your own car or one that we have sourced and began upgrading, the Aston Workshop team are on hand to discuss your bespoke V8 Evolution 6.0. To enquire about the

V8 Evolution 6.0 package, please call +44 (0) 1207 233 525 or email workshop@aston.co.uk

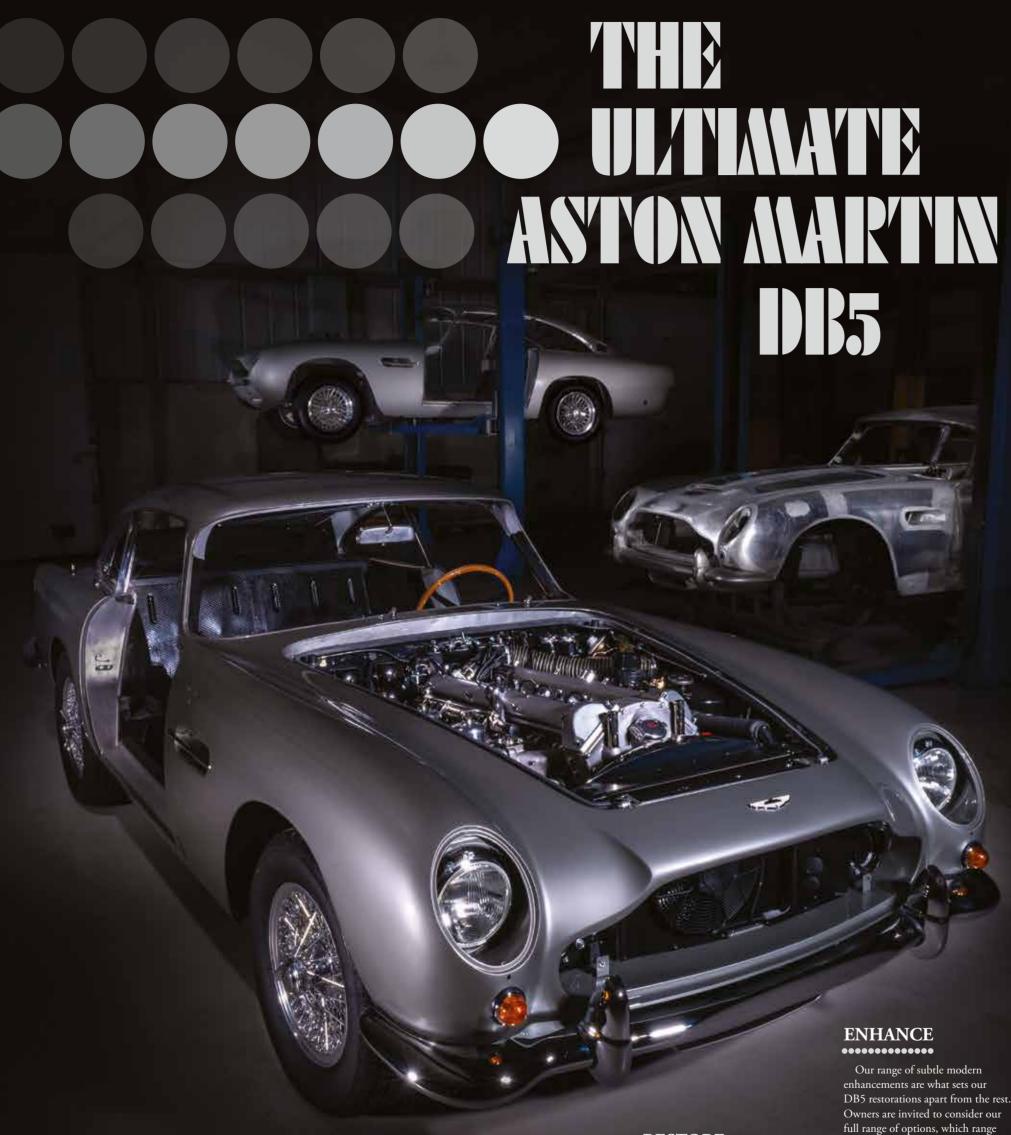
The increased power and torque produced by the fuel-injected 6.0L engine require strengthening to the differential cradle, and to help translate that performance to the tarmac wider, lower-profile 255 section tyres are fitted to 16-inch Ronal or 15-inch BBS wheels. Our Monte Carlo Plus handling kit, comprising of adjustable coilover front shock absorbers, adjustable telescopic rear shock absorbers with uprated springs, a stiffer front anti-roll bar and modern rigid mountings and bushes, transforms the AM V8 from a relaxed around-town cruiser to a refined yet punchy 1980s supercar.

Chassis modifications are finalised by the fitment of six-piston front brake calipers gripping 295mm ventilated discs with high-performance fast-road brake pads. A thoroughly modern upgrade to the braking performance, our fast-road brake setup is required to reign in the performance of the V8 Evolution 6.0.

The final step in the V8 Evolution 6.0 journey is the selection of bespoke options. The origin of the 'brute-in-a-suit' design aesthetic that continues to shape Aston Martin's current model range, the strongly defined muscle-car look made the V8 the icon that it is. A common choice made by owners when restoring their V8 to Evolution 6.0 specification is the fitment of a Vantage front air dam. Offering improved aerodynamics, the Vantage air dam serves to make the V8 front end even more imposing. Another popular option is a brace of Cibie Oscar driving lamps, as seen in period on Vantage-specification cars.

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The DB5 is widely known as the 'Most Famous Car in the World', but amongst Aston Martin enthusiasts it represents even more; the DB5 is perhaps the purest embodiment of

what an Aston Martin is.

PRESERVE

••••• The ultimate aim of the Aston Workshop restoration process is to return an original DB5 to factory-fresh condition, with only the subtlest modern enhancements as per the owner's request. Where useful we apply modern techniques and materials while remaining sympathetic to the automotive heritage these cars represent. high enough quality.

RESTORE ••••••

In a process totalling thousands of hours, utilising every one of our 45-strong team across our 45,000 sq ft facility, we return original DB5s to the finest possible condition. All the work is carried out on-site, and owners are invited to stay with us to periodically inspect the work. At every stage, our Workshop Manager has the final say on when a car can be considered of a

full range of options, which range from performance enhancements to cosmetic upgrades or improvements to reliability and drivability.

Ultimate DB5 restorations can be carried out on a car you already own, or alternatively we can source an original DB5 from out international off-market clients and partners. To make an enquiry, please contact the Aston Workshop team.



DB4 GT Zagato is one of the most sought after and valuable sports cars of all time, and today Aston Workshop is proud to offer an exact road-legal recreation of this celebrated and breathtakingly beautiful 1960s automotive icon.

For Aston Martin enthusiasts and collectors who dream of owning an automotive icon, the option of a high-quality DB4 GT Zagato recreation based on an original DB4 chassis is an enticing one.

Aston Workshop have decades of experience building road legal recreations of the original 19 DB4 GT Zagatos, with each one built bespoke to its owner's exact specification.

An exact representation of the iconic design first introduced at the 1960 London Motor Show, our DB4 GT Zagato recreations benefit from the engineering developments made over the last 60 years. Aston Workshop in-house developed engine blocks provide increased performance and reliability while modern suspension and braking componentry improve upon the already legendary driving

characteristics bestowed upon the DB4 GT. All of our DB4 GT Zagato recreations are built entirely to order around the chassis of an original Aston Martin DB4. Owners are involved with every step of the process from initial specification to final testing and delivery, with the end product rivalling the original 19 cars for beauty and performance.



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Parts and **Enhancements**

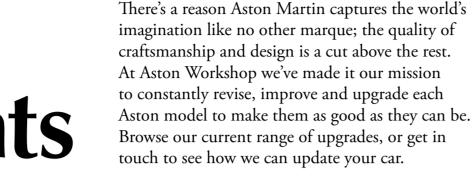
The ongoing care of any classic car requires a reliable source of high-quality parts, and Aston Martins are no exception. At Aston Workshop we have built up an ever-growing stock of spares and parts including rare items, good-condition used parts and even factory-fresh new old stock products. Where the supply of certain parts has dried up our manufacturing team have stepped in to continue production of items vital not only for our own projects, but for cars cared for by other specialists around the world. Crucially, our experience of looking after Aston Martins stretches back over 40 years; whatever parts you need, we're certain to stock, have previously sourced, or are currently manufacturing exactly what you need. Taking things one step further, our in-house developed upgrades and enhancements bring your Aston Martin into the 21st century while remaining totally discreet.

Meet the Team



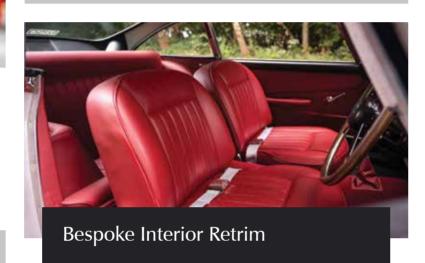
DARREN HAWKES PARTS MANAGER

Darren has been the Parts three years overseeing over 50,000 individual parts in stock. Originally from Dudley in the West Midlands, Darren moved to the North East as a teenager and after a stint as a qualified painter and decorator has worked in the motor trade for the majority of his career. He lives in Chester-le-Street, and has a keen interest in both motorbikes and cars; he's the Chairman of his bike club, and his car tastes range from Land Rovers to highperformance Japanese cars and everything in-between!



Air Conditioning

Our in-house developed air conditioning kits are designed to handle climates much hotter than the UK market these cars were originally designed for. All our air conditioning kits make use of an uprated modern compressor and condenser, which offer sizable improvements over their period counterparts, as well as modern blower motors, subtle cabin vents and a discreet control panel under the dash.



RHD/LHD Conversion

Big Brake Kit

For owners across Europe or in the US the benefits of Left Hand Drive are obvious, and the Aston Workshop conversion process is an ideal option that places a focus on originality. Changes to the car itself are sympathetic, and the final product is indistinguishable from an original LHD Aston. Care is given to ensure that the dash, lighting, wipers, pedals and handbrake are converted properly.

For any owner wanting to improve the performance of their car

in their own right, and crucial if engine upgrades are also being

you require. We have options for every classic Aston mode

consider upgrading to a DB5-spec dual-circuit system.

brake upgrades are an ideal first step. A huge performance upgrade

considered, our range of big brake kits provide the stopping power

usually including upgraded calipers with modern brake pads and

the option of larger vented discs. For the DB4, you could also

Modern Electronic Ignition

More reliable, easier to set up and beneficial to performance and emissions.

High Torque Starter Motor

Few upgrades offer such a noticeable immediate impact as our high torque modern starter motor. A direct fit for your original unit, our modern starter motor upgrade works with both positive and negative earth electrical setups. Starter motor failures are one of the leading causes of reliability issues we see on classic Astons, so the fitment of a modern starter motor represents a major improvement in this area.

High Output Alternator

Smaller, lighter, more reliable and giving an increased electrical output.

AW Low Inertia Crank

Designed to improve performance and efficiency while reducing the inherent weaknesses of the original crankshaft design, our modern low inertia crank is one of our most requested enhancements. Expect to see an increase in torque (and as a consequence, power), as well as improved reliability and refinement at higher engine speeds.

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AW Le Mans Brake Booster Kit

The Le Mans Brake Booster kit is a direct fit for the DB5 and DB6, as well as DB4s that have had our twin-circuit brake upgrade. A very popular enhancement at Aston Workshop, our Le Mans Brake Booster kit features an increased brake boost ratio that delivers more pressure to the calipers meaning stronger braking power with less effort through the pedal.



Following the success of an Aston Workshop prepared DB4 at the 1992 Monte Carlo Challenge we released our Monte Carlo handling kit, now considered a vital upgrade for all 1960s Aston Martins. Comprising of an uprated anti-roll bar, modern rigid mountings and bushes, and uprated Front and Rear springs, our Monte Carlo handling kit is one of the most popular enhancements we offer. By reducing body roll the driving experience is vastly improved, while the fast-road-tuned springs are an important part of optimising the setup for modern radial tyres. Fitment of the Monte Carlo handling kit will offer a sizeable improvement in the road-holding and handling characteristics of your car. For owners wanting even more performance, our Monte Carlo Plus kit adds adjustable front coilovers and adjustable rear dampers meaning the handling capabilities of your car can be more finely tuned to your preferences.



Telescopic Damper Conversion

A great improvement in handling performance can be made in the rear damping, replacing lever-arm shock absorbers with modern telescopic units. Our telescopic rear shock absorber kit vastly improves the handling characteristics of the car, and as more durable and reliable modern components are used the chance of suspension failure is greatly reduced.



Vantage Engine Upgrade

Aston Workshop offer upgrades to match the original Vantage specification offered as factory options in period. Despite the Tadek Marek Straight 6 engine being used across all models from DB4 to DBS, the Vantage specification for each model was different and as such we tailor our Vantage upgrades accordingly. As well as the fitment of additional or upgraded carburettors we carry out the necessary head modifications to give a higher compression ratio and improved valve sizing and performance We also offer Vantage upgrades for DB2-era cars and V8s; all of our engine enhancements can be fully tested on our engine dynamometer to allow for precise tuning, and to acquire accurate power and torque figures.

Manual Gearbox Upgrade

Whether your Aston was originally a manual or an automatic Aston Workshop have a range of upgraded manual gearbox options. For owners placing a supreme focus on originality we can supply rebuilt original gearboxes including rare options such as the 'dog-leg' 5-speed manual found on V8s. For the ultimate driving experience, our modern 5-speed and 6-speed transmissions offer the most driver enjoyment.

Electric Power Steering

We offer modern power steering kits for all classic Aston Martins.



Browse our full range of upgrades

Our full range of enhancements can be found on our website. We would also be happy to discuss bespoke options that would suit your car perfectly. Get in touch with our Workshop team today on +44 (0) 1207 233 525.

Newly Manufactured | Rare Parts at Aston Workshop

Aston Workshop's Engineering department is constantly improving upon period componentry, re-manufacturing parts to increase performance and reliability. Our machine shop, equipped with a range of traditional and CNC machining equipment, produces parts both for in-house use and for clients all around the world.

We often need to re-manufacture parts that are either no longer available, or are only available as poor-quality remakes, in which case an original part is carefully measured to the finest degrees of accuracy by our experienced engineering team. These measurements form the basis for a digital 3D model that in turn is fed into specialised software that controls our CNC computer-aided machines.

In some cases, for example when a new part is being produced that serves a new function, a 3D printed mockup is fabricated to for test-fit purposes. Prototypes are then produced to check that the new part is fit for its desired use, and to test which machining practices give the finest quality final finish. These prototypes are thoroughly tested, before the part is signed off allowing the production run to begin.





Used Parts

Occasionally, for reasons of originality or rarity of new items original parts are preferable which can often include the fitment of used parts. When offering an original part for sale it is always fully checked and sold with an accurate description of its condition. Where possible, reconditioning work is carried out that can often return the item to as-new condition. In the case of some parts, such as sub-frames for VH-era cars, the reconditioning process actually improves the condition of the item above and

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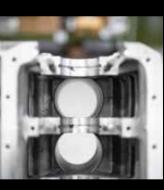






Due to the rare and special nature of these cars, as well as the passage of time making spares even harder to find, rarity of certain parts is becoming more of a consideration when carrying out upgrades, restoration and repairs. As part of our stock of over 50,000 Aston Martin parts we always keep a supply of particularly rare and special items. We're constantly on the lookout for hard-to-find components, and where the sources have fully dried up we take on the production of parts ourselves. A key example of this is our production of DB4 engine blocks; many cars have previously had to be restored using DB5 or DB6 blocks however Aston Workshop now supply upgraded newly-produced DB4 engine blocks to specialists around the world.









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New Old Stock Parts

While Aston Workshop has a worldwide reputation as a source of brand-new parts for heritage Aston Martins, we also keep a stock of original parts in as-new condition. The benefits of newly produced parts are obvious, but originality is just as important and as such we are constantly on the lookout for original parts for our stores. As an example, last year we were able to source the constituent parts of a V8 door for a customer in Japan, after his was damaged beyond repair. Each individual part was an as-new old stock part with its original factory labelling, and the car is now back on the road with no damage to the cars originality and character.

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World Class Paint & Body



The Aston Workshop Paint and Body Centre delivers the truly exceptional exterior finish a classic Aston Martin deserves. Our skilled team of panel beaters, fabricators and painters carry out the painstaking work required to produce body panels with the very best surface treatment; countless man-hours are spent in both preparation and polishing to get a mirror-like final finish.

Truly Bespoke



We've made it our mission to be the most innovative specialists for the Aston Martin marque, and with nearly 40 years of experience behind us we have developed a list of enhancements, upgrades and options to make your car totally personalised to you. If you want something even more bespoke, our team will develop the custom options to make your dream Aston come to life.

Meet the Team

YOUR DREAM ASTON MARTIN RESTORATION

As the Aston Martin restoration experts, Aston Workshop offer an unparalleled restoration service for owners around the world. With over 35 years' experience as an independent Aston Martin specialist, and over 400 years of collective experience in our dedicated and skilled restoration team, our award-winning rebuild and restoration projects bring the rarest and most sought-after classic Aston Martins back to life.

Specification and Build

The first step on your restoration journey is to commission your bespoke specification. The obvious choices to make, however the depth of our options list allows for more personalised restorations. Engine size and specification, gearbox choice, whether the car will be right- or left- hand drive and selections from our range of optional extras ensure the car is suited exactly to its intended use case. Once the bespoke specification has been completed the build of the car can commence in full. It is standard practice to use as many original body panels as possible, with renewed panels used as needed, all of which are finely shaped at Aston Workshop before going to be painted. Our paint process, often taking more than 400 hours, produces a flawless finish which far surpasses the original factory paint, before the car is then built up in our Heritage Workshop. It is common for owners to request a new in-house produced engine block for reliability and performance purposes as well as one of our modern gearbox options.





Testing and Delivery

After the build is complete an extensive testing program is carried out to ensure that every single aspect of your car is perfect. The engine is thoroughly tested before it goes into car on our dynamometer, allowing for verification of our work as well as the fine tuning of the engine to provide the desired performance characteristics, all of which is possible due to the state-of-the-art capabilities of our dyno test rig. Our workshop managers have the final say on when a car is ready for delivery after hundreds of miles of testing, based on decades of experience driving examples of these iconic cars. Throughout the bespoke build process you'll regularly be invited to view your car in build, but it isn't until the car is delivered that you'll see it complete for the first time. We invite owners to pick their car up from our facility, meeting the technicians that have restored their Aston. For customers in the UK delivery is completed by our own in-house transport service while overseas customers benefit from our network of trusted delivery partners. The relationship doesn't stop there; we remain on call for technical support after the car is delivered.







JOHN GRAY WORKSHOP SECRETARY

John was brought up in his family run workshop, carrying out mechanical work to all makes of cars and became fully employed in the business at 16. He worked through to managing the business and then stepped away to run his own personal workshop. After a brief detour into the pub and restaurant trade, John returned to the motor trade and was employed by the Aston Workshop as Workshop Manager, a position he has had for the last 15 years, more recently in a part-time role. Married since 1967 and with 12 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, John is Aston Martin through and through, and he is a long term member of the Aston Martin Owners Club.



NEIL CALVERT WORKSHOP MANAGER

Neil Calvert has worked at Aston Workshop for 15 years, having previously worked for BMW between 2001-2007, where he Having spent many years of his childhood in and around Aston Workshop as a result of his father working for the company between the late 1980's and the early 2000's, he joined us himself, and spent 10 years as a Technician, working on Gaydon era cars (having been factory trained at Aston Martin headquarters in Gaydon, Warwickshire). Neil then became Assistant Workshop Manager in 2017. He is married with two children and classes cars as a hobby, which gives him a real passion for his work.

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BUYING GUIDE

Prior to the 1990s Aston Martin had predominately used straight-6 and V8 engines, however in 1998 the marque set a new standard with their brand new 5.9L V12. Developed and manufactured with input from Cosworth and the financial backing of Ford, the Aston Martin V12 engine was in production for nearly two decades before being replaced by the current 5.2L twin-turbo V12 unit. This means it powered a wide range of Aston models, each with their own unique attributes that make them highly desirable cars to own.

This guide represents the metaphorical tip of the iceberg of knowledge we have of these cars. The technicians in our modern workshop were factory-trained during the production of these cars, and projects such as our V12 engine rebuilds and manual conversions for the V12 Vanquish (see page 24) have only served to deepen our knowledge. If you have specific questions, or would like to book a pre-purchase inspection of a V12 Aston Martin, our workshop management team are here to help.

RAPIDE

The reason to buy a Rapide is obvious; Aston have rarely made four-door cars, meaning this is one of the only ways to get that experience. Based on the VH architecture like so many cars on this list, the Rapide features a stretched version of the DB9 chassis. You'll get DB9-like performance, be able to carry four adults in absolute luxury, and have one of the best cars produced during the trend for four-door performance saloons. Our recommendation is to look out for the same things you would when buying a DB9, with the addition that dual-glazed windows

mean they can very occasionally delaminate. Prices are quite reasonable, and nothing else on the market offers the same experience. 'S' models are even better still, while the 'AMR' is the ultimate version of the Aston Martin Rapide.

07 2011-2012



VIRAGE

in the Aston Martin model range. Available for only one year, before effectively being rebadged to become the facelifted DB9, and taking its name from the V8-powered Virage of the 1980s and 90s, the Virage can combination of DB9 comfort and usability with DBS performance. As such, our advice for things to look out for is the same as those cars; look for a good service history, lack of cosmetic damage and corrosion, and the condition of the brakes (they're long-lasting, but ceramic brake replacement can be a costly job to carry out). A late DB9 is effectively the same car as the Virage, but with only 1,044 produced the Virage has the rarity to give it some extra kudos.

The Virage is somewhat of an oddity



05 2009-2012

DB7 VANTAGE

The first car to receive the AML V12 engine, this car revived the nameplate traditionally reserved for high-performance variants of a pre-existing Aston model. By replacing the Jaguar-sourced straight-6 with Aston Martin's bespoke V12, the DB7 transformed from sports car to cross-continental GT overnight. Offering a more traditional experience than later V12 Aston Martins, the DB7 Vantage represents is a fantastic entry into Aston ownership due to its affordable purchase price. Due to the high number of DB7s produced, and the way Aston Martin made use of Ford's extensive parts production, DB7 Vantages can also be very reasonable to run. Look for cars with a good service history, and check for chassis corrosion or excessive cosmetic damage as these can be costly to repair.

DBS

of the late 1960s and the V12 Vanquish, the DBS was first unveiled in the 2006 James Bond film 'Casino Royale' and as such has cemented its place as an iconic 007 Aston Martin. Featuring more performance and a more aggressive look than the DB9, the DBS is another model destined to be a future collector's car. Look out for the rarer manual transmission, and if possible find a car that's already had the expensive carbon brakes replaced. Otherwise, our advice is to buy and enjoy what is certainly going to be remembered as a landmark Aston Martin model that combines GT sensibilities with Supercar performance.





03 2004-2012

V12 VANQUISH

While the DB7 Vantage was the first

was the car it was always designed to

almost certainly go down as one of

the most important Aston Martin models ever produced; as the last car to be hand-built at the Newport

Pagnell factory the V12 Vanquish

bookends a massively important era

of Aston Martins history while also

featuring cutting edge technology such as an F1-style automated manual

aluminium composite chassis with a carbon fibre backbone. Parts can be a little more costly than other cars on this page, and it's worth checking

transmission and a bonded

the clutch history as the ASM transmission requires some finesse

to use properly.

go into. The V12 Vanquish will

production car to receive the new AML V12 engine, the V12 Vanquish

> The DB9 kickstarted the 'VH' era of Aston Martin production, where Ford's extensive backing and a desire to sell a lot more cars meant cars used a shared platform with more interchangeable parts. Widely regarded as one of the best cars of its era, as well as one of the prettiest, the DB9 offers a more modern experience than the DB7 Vantage and as production numbers are so high they are affordable to buy with a wide range of specs available. Oil starvation caused issues on some DB9s, especially early cars which had a smaller oil capacity. A good service history should be a good indicator of a car that had oil levels checked regularly. Ultimately, these are very reliable cars and offer a true Aston Martin experience for not a great deal of money.

02 2001-2007

DB9





VANQUISH

Following on from the DBS, and the V12 Vanquish before it, the carbonfibre bodied Vanquish was released in 2012 with an 'S' variant coming in 2016. The Vanquish marked the end of the 5.9L V12, with a new 5.2L twin-turbo unit taking over beginning with the DB11. As such the Vanquish can be seen as the pinnacle of the first era of Aston Martin V12 cars, benefitting from everything learned during VH-era production. This will be one of the more expensive models to get into in this buying guide, and the carbon fibre body makes extensive body repairs more costly than earlier aluminium- and composite-bodied Astons, but as a V12 Aston Martin to use and enjoy the Vanquish absolutely sets the standard.

V12 VANTAGE

When Aston shoehorned the V12 engine

into the popular Vantage chassis they

created one of the highest-performing

Aston Martins ever put into production. The initial V12 Vantage was capable of

190mph and was available with a 6-speed

incredible Aston to drive. Later 'S' cars were initially only available with the Sportshift automated-manual transmission

although a 7-speed dog-leg manual was

offered later, and are capable of hitting

certainly a good purchase for owners

wanting a real driver's car.

205mph. V12 Vantages can be expensive to acquire, and with a lot of carbon parts on the car repair bills can get costly, but these cars should be seen as highly desirable and

manual transmission, making it an



Straddling the line between supercar fastest and most advanced Aston Martin ever produced. Based around the Aston Martin V12 engine (enlarged to 7.3L capacity) and utilising a carbon fibre monocoque clothed in handrolled aluminium body panels, the One-77 was limited to 77 units costing in excess of £1 million each. Expect to pay at least that much to acquire one today, as their reputation as a landmark Aston Martin continues to grow. As with many cars as rare as the One-77, specifications are very unique meaning it's unlikely two cars are the same.

TARAF

In 2014 the Lagonda name was ultra-exclusive super-saloons. Based upon the Rapide but positioned as being one of the most luxurious cars around, the Taraf drew inspiration from the William Towns Lagonda of the 1970s and 80s with a perhaps more conventionally attractive design. The Taraf was initially designed for the lucrative Middle Eastern market, although eventually sales were opened up to the UK and Europe. If you want one, expect to be searching for a while; these cars are very rare and demand large price tags.

ZAGATO BODIED

The partnership between Aston Martin DB4 GT Zagato race cars of the 1960s, but in Astons V12 era the Italian coachbuilders have been particularly prolific. Of the V12-powered Astons on this page, almost all of them were used as the basis for a Zagato-bodied special run of cars. As collector's cars these are likely to be sought-after in the future, meaning the considerable premiums they command over their standardproduction counterparts are likely to further grow in the long term. Zagatobodied V12 Astons were always made in limited numbers, maintaining scarcity.

A spiritual successor to both the DBS





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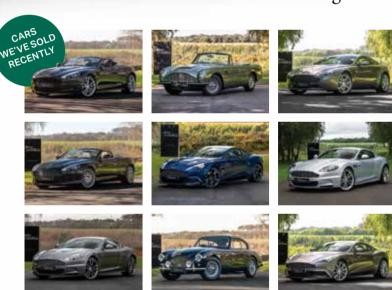
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at any one moment, Aston Workshop is a trusted name to depend on when buying or selling your Aston Martin. We charge no fees; sales are made only in line with the seller's agreed price, and we are experts in consigning vehicles internationally. And while Aston Workshop offers all eras of Aston Martin for sale we deal only with the very finest examples, all of which are meticulously inspected and prepared in-house. Few specialists go as far to make the buying and selling processes more convenient or more reassuring.

With more than 35 years' experience specialising in the marque, an

international client base and over 30 Aston Martins offered for sale



Visit our website for more details or call 01207 233525

CAR FINDER SERVICE

Potential buyers are invited to register their interest for specific models via Aston Workshop's online car-finder system. You can specify vehicle model, left or right-hand drive and body style, or simply receive details on all our cars. It is simple to unsubscribe at any time.

CARS WANTED

Due to consistently high demand, we are currently looking for Aston Martin DB9s, V8 Vantages, DBS models and all post-2007 Aston Martins. We have customers ready and waiting with specific

Meet the Team



ALEX HENDERSON SALES MANAGER

With over 40 years' experience, sales manager Alex Henderson has previously enjoyed comparable roles at Aston Martin, Mercedes-Benz, VW, Audi and BMW. The Chester-le-Street native has sold some of the rarest and most luxurious Aston Martins ever produced during his time with Aston Workshop, and remains dedicated to customer satisfaction. Alex is also devoted to his wife, two children and three grandchildren - and wakes up at 5am to walk his Cairn Terriers!

THE BENEFITS OF SELLING WITH US

Industry **Experts** With over 30 cars for

sale at any one time Aston Workshop is considered one of the largest Aston Martin dealers in the country. With a collective experience of over 400 years, the Aston Workshop team prides itself on leading the way in selling, buying, and restoring vehicles from the British brand.

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Professional Marketing

We provide a multitude of marketing opportunities including a professional listing on our site and in a selection of globally recognised modern and classic car third-party sites. Each car features. in a monthly email marketing campaign as well as being photographed expertly to stand out from the crowd.



No Fees

At Aston Workshop there are no fees involved with selling your car and a sale is only made in contingence with your agreed price.



Warranty

We provide a noobligation warranty with your vehicle to help achieve the sale and we are dedicated to making the buying process as smooth as possible.



Transport with Peace of Mind

Our dedicated Aston Transport division prides itself on making the selling and buying process as stress-free and safe as possible. With one simple phone call to our team, we car have your vehicle

collected, transported,

and insured from A to B.



Customer **Database**

nowledgeable about the

Aston Martin range and

always looking to buy a

modern or classic Aston

With over 30 years of experience, Aston Workshop has an eclectic range of customers from all over the world. These customers are passionate and



Complimentary Pre-Sale Inspection

Before any Aston Martin is sold from Aston Workshop, we will offer a complimentary pre-sale inspection. This ensures the Astons are showroom ready and correctly optimised to meet the customer's demands.



Finance

For people buying an Aston Martin from Aston Workshop, they have the ability to utilise the finance packages we have available. This increases the potential audience that can buy your vehicle, aiding in a faster time to sell.

Introducing the 5.0L Engine

Aston Workshop is pushing the boundaries of Aston Martin engine development with the first 5.0-litre version of the iconic Tadek Marek straight-six. This remarkable step forward has been made possible by decades of engineering expertise and the advanced manufacturing techniques behind our in-house engine blocks and cylinder heads.

Few powerplants are as celebrated as the 1960s Aston Martin straight-six. Found in DB4, DB5, DB6, DBS and AM Vantage, and in competition machinery such as the DB4 GT and DBR2, it has long been admired for its character, performance, and engineering integrity. Originally launched with 3.7 litres, Marek designed the engine with future capacity increases in mind. Over the years we've built 4.2- and 4.7-litre versions, but this 5.0L development represents the most ambitious step in its history.

Although still in the final stages of development, the 5.0L engine reflects a project where reliability has been as important as performance. Our goal has been to deliver an engine that produces unprecedented power and torque while retaining the drivability and longevity expected from an Aston Workshop build.

The Art of Equal Measures

The original DB4 engine was a "square" design, with equal bore and stroke, offering an ideal balance of power and torque. Our new 5.0L returns to this philosophy but at a much larger scale, promising the same flexible, responsive nature of the original while delivering significantly more performance across the rev range. In engineering terms, this is geometry of power, a design where 'proportioned for performance' is not just a phrase, but a measurable reality. The result is an engine that is perfectly balanced and naturally powerful.

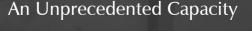
Weight Down, Response Up

Simply increasing capacity has never been enough for us. For the 5.0L we have engineered bespoke lightweight pistons and connecting rods to minimise reciprocating mass. Every gramme counts, so rotational mass has been reduced through a smaller big-end journal size and a forged low-

We've paired these with titanium valve spring retainers, cutting significant weight from the valvetrain to improve high-RPM stability and reduce the risk of valve float. The cylinder head is CNC ported to a specific design optimised for the 5.0L's airflow requirements, ensuring the engine breathes freely across the rev range. This is precision in motion, a carefully orchestrated balance of lightness, strength, and responsiveness.

Diamond-Like Durability

The 5.0L specification is only possible thanks to the additional strength and precision of our in-house castings and machining. We employ DLC (diamond-like carbon) coatings wherever possible, ultra-tight tolerances, and advanced bore finishing to reduce friction and maximise longevity. From the crankshaft to the combustion chamber, it's strength in every detail; a philosophy of engineering that lasts.



Our previous engine developments have followed Marek's philosophy of evolution, with 4.2L and 4.7L versions already available. The 5.0L takes this further than ever before, offering the largest commercially available Aston Martin straight-six to date. The increase in capacity delivers dramatic gains in power and torque throughout the rev range, whether for racing applications or refined grand touring. This is where innovation meets tradition; the heritage of a classic Aston Martin heart, elevated to entirely new performance heights.

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Engineering

Our in-house engineering team are tirelessly developing and redeveloping classic Aston Martins, finding 21st century solutions to the engineering questions of the 1950s, 60s and 70s.

In-House Cylinder Heads

New high-quality cylinder heads for Aston Martin straight-6 engines have historically proven hard to source, which is why Aston Workshop initiated a research and development program to re-start production in-house. Now, with that R&D process complete, we are delighted to be supplying brand-new cylinder heads for the DB4, DB5, DB6 and DBS.

Available in both 'standard' 6-spark-plug and 'GT' 12-spark plug specification, our cylinder heads are a direct fit, meaning every other original engine component can be used. We've also selected a more modern alloy for improved durability, and through the use of modern machining techniques and CNC porting our heads are built to better tolerances with a noticeable increase in performance.



In-House Engine Blocks

Despite being one of the finest engines produced during the 1960s, the Aston Martin straight-6 is still able to be developed further. Issues such as cracking, especially when those cracks reach the main bearings, have rendered many original engine blocks unusable. That's where our engine blocks come in. Externally identical to original units, yet featuring a range of internal upgrades to improve performance, durability and reliability, our blocks are designed to be interchangeable with original units with no other components needing to be changed. A new development for this year is our DB4 block, featuring all of the benefits of our upgraded engine block with the external design specific to DB4s. Previously, only DB5/6/S style blocks had been available, meaning Aston Workshop has once again re-introduced a previously unavailable component.







IN DEVELOPMENT

The new standard for Aston Martin engines,

improving reliability and durability. Bore and

Stroke are both increased to 102mm, meaning

this 'square' engine offers a similar feel to the

original 3.7L capacity. Read more about our

the Aston Workshop 5.0L engine produces

new levels of performance while also

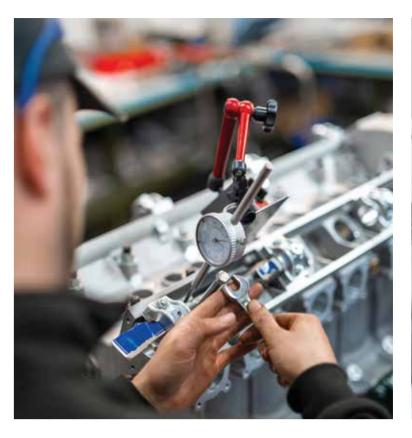
5.0L engine on Page 21.

Engine Building and **Testing**

Engine testing capabilities have been a part of the Aston Workshop set-up for decades, however in 2024 we initiated a project to upgrade to a brand-new engine dynamometer. Our new Superflow dyno is part of our state-of-the-art engine testing rig, and it allows for more in-depth engine development while saving time and effort for our engineering team.

When building engines, whether for one of our restoration projects, for other marque specialists or as a crate engine to be shipped around the world, it is first important to establish some clear goals. While some customers may require the maximum

possible power figures or need an engine for racing purposes, most of our engines are built for road-going cars and as such we aim to produce a tractable, driveable engine instead. A smooth power curve, with plenty of torque low down in the RPM range, makes for a fantastic engine for Grand Touring which is of course what the Astons of the 1950s, 60's and beyond were designed to do. Our new engine dyno provides our engine builders with all the required information, in real time, to tune the engines and test components for the smoothest and most enjoyable driving experience.





The Aston Martin Straight-6 The first of Tadek Marek's Aston Martin masterpieces, upgraded and enhanced with the benefit of decades of continuous engineering development. A range of capacities are available, each with their

ORIGINAL In 1958 Aston Martin set a new

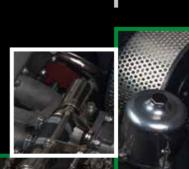
standard for Grand Tourers with the DB4, a brand-new design featuring a cutting edge 3.7L block cast in aluminium. While the desire for increased performance has led to larger capacities being available, our 3.7L engine builds are still popular with owners prioritising originality.

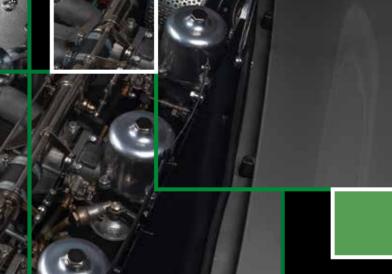


One of the most popular specifications chosen by our enginerebuild customers, a 4.2L capacity engine offers numerous benefits. In addition to the increased performance offered by a larger capacity engine, the 4.2L capacity also retains a 92mm stroke meaning the original crank can be used. Our low inertia crankshaft also fits this capacity.



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ORIGINAL

With the introduction of the DB5 the straight-6 design increased to 4.0L

through the use of a larger cylinder bore. The 4.0L specification continued

Astons it can be considered the correct original capacity. Again, this is a

specification that favours originality over increased performance.

through DB6, DB6 MK2, DBS and AM Vantage, meaning for most 1960s

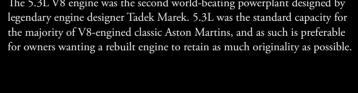
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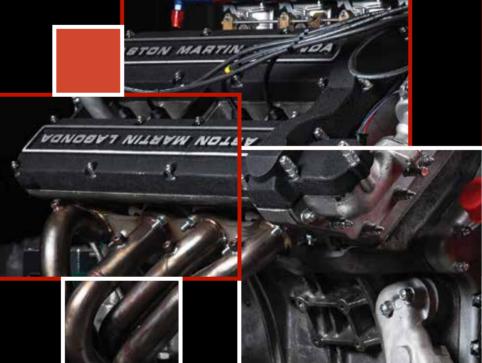
Until the introduction of our 5.0L engine, the 4.7L capacity was widely accepted as the ultimate Aston Martin straight-6 specification. Offering a huge increase in torque across the RPM range, 4.7L engines bring performance more in line with more modern sports-car engines.

The Aston Martin V8

ORIGINAL

The 5.3L V8 engine was the second world-beating powerplant designed by legendary engine designer Tadek Marek. 5.3L was the standard capacity for the majority of V8-engined classic Aston Martins, and as such is preferable







AW UPGRADE

By slightly increasing the bore size we are able to increase capacity to 5.7L while retaining the original cylinder liners, making this a cost-effective option for increased-performance V8 engines. We'd recommend this engine specification for owners wanting originality in combination with extra performance.

supercars of the 1970s and 80s. At Aston Workshop, we continue to push the envelope of what is possible.

AW UPGRADE

Aston's first V8 engine set a new standard, powering the pioneering

Our most popular specification for Aston Martin V8 engine rebuilds, the 6.0L capacity lies at the heart of our V8 Evolution 6.0 project. Achieved through larger liners machined to accept larger pistons, our 6.0L engines are available with traditional Weber carbs, period-correct fuel injection systems or our modern, in-house developed EFI kit.



IN DEVELOPMENT

In line with our focus on constant improvement

to Aston Martin engines, the next step is our

upcoming 6.5L engine. Offering even more

performance, our 6.5L engine will also place

a major focus on developments that improve

reliability and durability in the pursuit of

creating the ultimate grand-touring Aston



information visit the

engineering section

of our website



KELVIN AMBLER CHIEF ENGINEER

Heading up our Engineering department, Kelvin takes the lead on some of the most ambitious projects we've taken on. After a childhood on the South Coast Kelvin moved to Warrington, beginning his engineering career at an Aston Martin engine specialist where he stayed for over a decade. He then made the move to the North East to join the Aston Workshop team, becoming our Chief Engineer. He lives with his wife and three children, and spends his spare time enjoying adventure bikes as well as designing and fabricating bespoke parts for his own vehicles.

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Martin V8 engine.



V12 Vanquish Manual Conversion



Aston Workshop are delighted to bring to market our in-house developed manual conversion for the V12 Vanquish and V12 Vanquish S. The result of an extensive R&D program, the conversion process is carried out at our County Durham facility and can be completed within four weeks. Utilising the car's original Tremec T56 6-speed gearbox, which is stripped and rebuilt with modified internals giving a positive 'gated' feel, a traditional gear knob and linkage are fitted as well as a bespoke pedal assembly to give correct pedal spacing and adequate footwell space. An in-house manufactured gear knob combines Aston Martin aesthetics with the correct gear pattern, and a custom surround is fitted that ensures an OEM-style look can be achieved. The redundant shift paddles are removed and capped off, while the gear-select buttons on the dash can either be repurposed or deleted.



MORE

12-month warranty. For more information, please

The conversion is priced

from £19,995 + VAT and

is covered by an extensive

contact our Workshop on +44 (0) 1207 233525 or email workshop@aston.co.uk

Modern Paint and Body Centre

Aston Workshop has the facilities, tools and experience to handle all kinds of Aston Martin body repair. Our world-class paint and body centre is ideally suited to breathe new life into your modern Aston Martin. We have the skills on site to handle repairs on aluminium, composite and carbon-fibre bodied cars, while our Aston Martin paint shop specialises in perfect colour matching that matches (and even exceeds) the quality of finish the cars had when leaving the Aston Martin factory.

Handling every level of repair

Each Aston Martin is unique, and as such they need uniquely tailored body and paint repairs to keep them in the finest condition. Our services range from the rectification of small stone chips or corrosion marks to full bare metal resprays or colour changes. Our skilled staff are as experienced with the rectification of accident damage as they are with the repair of individual panels, no matter the model of Aston Martin they are working on.



Matching original colour shade is of supreme importance, with iconic colours such as Skyfall Silver and Meteorite Silver tricky to get right for anyone other than marque specialists such as Aston Workshop. Our paint and body centre places a focus on quality above all else, whether that means a perfect colour match to make a repair entirely invisible or repainting your car to suit your own personal bespoke specification.

Applying a world class finish

Aston Martin has produced some

of the most beautiful cars the world has seen, with a timeless design language pairing graceful performance with classic style. The key to showing off any iconic Aston design however lies in a beautifully applied paint finish. Our Aston Martin paint shop is staffed by experienced and highly qualified painters who work personally, one-on-one, with individual cars. Our highly skilled paint shop is dedicated to producing some of the finest classic Aston Martin finishes. Whether a traditional Aston colour such as Silver Birch, California Sage or Cumberland Grey, or more modern shades such as Tungsten Silver and Onyx Black, our paint quality puts the final touch on the iconic design Aston Martin is world famous for.

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Meet the Team



SHAUN MCMANNERS

One of our painters, Shaun handles every step of the 300+ hour paint process that converts Aston Martins from bare unpainted bodies to automotive works of art. Living just down the Al in Bishop Auckland Shaun's career has included both modern and classic car painting, with the last four years being spent in our paint and body centre. Outside of work he lives with his wife and two children, and spends his time performing, recording and producing music in his studio.



PAUL DONOHUE PANEL BEATER

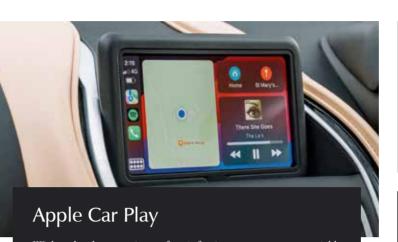
Paul is one of our talented panel beaters, fabricating and finely shaping Aston Martin chassis and bodies in our body shop. Born and raised in Hebburn, he moved straight into the profession after leaving college and has been with Aston Workshop nearly 20 years. Part of Paul's job is to carry out the delicate and time-intensive job of traditional automotive bodywork fabrication, still done the same way it was done in the Aston Maritn factory, while outside of work he spends his time modelmaking.

on our award-winning Aston Martin restorations. Whether a concours condition car or a barn find Aston Martin, the paint process is exactly he same. Scan to watch Shaun, one of the expert painters in our ourpose-built facility, as he explains exactly what goes into applying



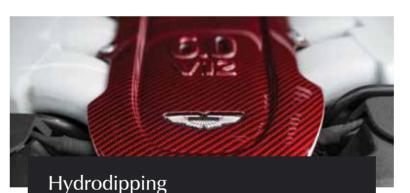
Enhancing your Modern **Aston Martin**

Aston Workshop has always kept a keen interest in the current model range, and since our inception we have continued to provide support for the most up-to-date Aston Martins. Our range of inhouse developed enhancements has grown to include options for your modern Aston, whether its a modern classic such as the V12 Vanquish or even a 'Second Century' car such as the DB11 and Vantage.



With technology moving so fast, infotainment systems can quickly become outdated. Fortunately for cars manufactured in 2004 or later we offer in car technology upgrades including Apple CarPlay and Android Auto which bring updated navigation, phone integration and music options to your fingertips. Aston Workshop are able to retrofit Apple Car Play and Android Auto to DB9, V8 and V12 Vantage, DBS, Rapide, Virage, Vanquish, DB11, DBS Superleggera and Vantage allowing for up-to-date phone

connectivity while retaining the OEM Aston Martin look. Our system can be used with a wired or wireless connection and allows for use of favourite apps such as Spotify and Waze. Crucially our Apple Car Play and Android auto system integrates perfectly with the systems in your Aston Martin ensuring that functionality isn't lost and impressive audio systems are fully utilised.





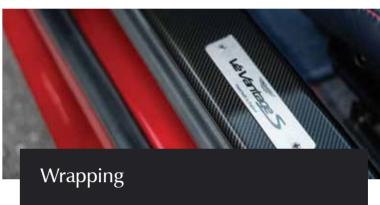
Our genuine AMR twin plate clutch upgrade is highly sought after among V8 Vantage owners looking for peace of mind as well as an enhanced driving experience. The twin plate clutch better stands up to wear and results in a lighter clutch pedal feel, with the lightweight flywheel delivering a quicker revving engine and a more precise gear change. Gaining access to the clutch is a lengthy procedure that requires the removal of the exhaust system left exhaust manifold, gearbox, torque tube and prop shaft. In total we plan for two days in the workshop for fitment of this very popular upgrade, and we offer a similar upgrade for Sportshift cars.

Exhaust Valve Repair

Over time exhaust valves (which control your Aston's exhaust note) can develop faults or cease to fully work, but we have a number of fixes. Ranging from gently freeing them off to repairing the actuator mechanism or even fully replacing the valves, we have a range of reasonably-priced options to have your Aston singing again.

Paint Protection Film

Keep your Aston in fantastic condition with OEM-spec PPF.



Corrosion Rectification

While the aluminium construction of modern Aston Martins mean they are naturally resistant to corrosion issues, it's not uncommon to see blemishes in certain areas of the car. Wing mirror stalks are a common area for corrosion to form, as is the are surrounding the door handles. Our repairs are carried out in our paint and body shop, and the results are identical to when the car left the factory. We even keep a stock of refurbished wing mirror stalks for exchange.

Meet the Team



Trim Upgrades and Repairs

Whether rectifying damage, returning leather to its former glory our carrying out full retrims, Aston Workshop can handle every level of trim repair and upgrade. Refurbishing existing leather can really lift an interior, while changing materials or colours help to personalise your Aston Martin.

Sub Frame Refurbishment

VH-era Aston Martins can occasionally suffer from corrosion to their sub-frames. Luckily, it's something we look out for on every modern Aston Martin we care for meaning we usually catch the issue early. The refurbishment process involves stripping the existing finish, repairing any damage and then fully powder-coating the part to ensure it can stand up to the elements going forwards.

Alloy Wheel Refurbishment

We handle everything from wheel-repairs to full colour changes.

CHRIS BATEMAN SERVICE MANAGER

Service Manager Chris Batemar has been in the motor trade for the entirety of his working life, starting out as a mechanic and ing through the ranks to be Workshop Manager for Mercedes-Benz (Passenger cars)

Chris spent 14 years with Mercedes- Benz before moving with his family to the Sultanate of Oman where he looked after the Sultan's personal vehicles, spending 7 years there. He was first introduced to the Aston Martin brand on his return to the UK and has worked with Aston Martin for 10 years on two separate occasions. Chris is married, and a father. He has a keen interest in motorcycles, football and golf and follows Middlesbrough Football Club.

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State-of-the-art servicing facilities and diagnostic equipment for every Aston Aston Workshop continues to raise the bar with our cost-effective and expert alternative to both main dealers and other Aston Martin specialists. More than anything, our reputation is built on providing a common-sense service our clients can trust, one that prides itself on being entirely transparent and practical.

Our experienced factory trained technicians, genuine AM diagnostic equipment including the new AMDS2 tools needed for all modern Astons and an expansive parts department mean we know exactly what your cherished Aston Martin requires, whatever its level of use. We aim to make your service booking as convenient as possible.

When it comes to annual servicing for Aston Martins, we're aware that keeping costs to reasonable levels is of the utmost importance to owners. That's why our servicing prices are published on our website, making it as easy as possible for owners to choose Aston Workshop for their servicing needs. Our service intervals follow the factory recommended servicing plans however we understand that no two Astons are alike. Contact our workshop team and we'll be happy to advise as to what would be a sensible, reasonably priced service plan that individually suits your car. While your car is with us, make use of our Service and Stay offer and enjoy the delights of the North East of England, or take one of our courtesy cars to allow you to continue your day with the minimal of interruptions.



Fixed Price Servicing available

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With the introduction of the DB11 in 2016, Aston Martin began to carry out what they called their 'Second Century' plan. Second Century cars, such as the DB11, Vantage, DBX, DB12 and now Vanquish benefitted from a totally new chassis and drivetrain architecture, which can only be serviced with the use of the brand-new AMDS2 diagnostic tools and software. Aston Workshop were the first independent specialist to purchase AMDS2, and as such are the premier choice for Aston Martin owners looking for a servicing offering outside the main dealer network.

Aston Workshop puts a focus on transparency and pragmatism when it comes to Second Century servicing, with the aim of supplying a cost-effective offering that maintains the highest level of quality. Our pricing structure is competitive not only with main dealers but with other independent specialists as well.

With an expansive parts department, an Aston Martin approved body and paint centre and world class engineering and restoration facilities, we pride ourselves on offering friendly and welcoming customer service backed up by specialist marque experience.



Service & Stay

Turn a service appointment for your Aston Martin into a luxurious short break and explore Durham, Northumberland and the stunning North East coastline from only £99*. While we ensure your treasured Aston Martin is ready to be enjoyed you can sample the fascinating history and breath-taking landscape on our doorstep, and all from the comfort of our Old Red Row luxury boutique accommodation. Situated just a short walk from the

Aston Workshop facility our accommodation is complemented by our beautiful 300-year-old gastropub, the Black Horse Beamish, with a restaurant that offers some of the finest dining in the area. Our base in the North East countryside is only half a mile from the world-famous Beamish Open Air Museum and is also within easy driving distance of some great countryside and coastal driving roads.

* Special offer available to all
Aston Workshop customers
using discount code 007.
Room and breakfast £99 per night
for two people midweek (£149
weekends). Book now to avoid
disappointment. Either book
online at blackhorsebeamish.co.uk
or call 01207 232 569.
Excludes cost of servicing. Offer
and dates subject to availability.



Meet the Team

AMDS 2

GRAEME WILSON
SERVICE TECHNICIAN

Graeme is one of the factory-trained technicians in our service department. He joined Aston Workshop as an apprentice, and has been with us ever since. Soon after Graeme joined the company we were given official Aston Martin Service Centre status, and as such he benefitted from a factory training programme at Gaydon giving him expertise in a huge range of modern Astons. Graeme is a sportsman through-and-through, playing basketball and football in his spare time as well as being a dedicated Newcastle United fan. He also spends plenty of time in the outdoors, camping, hiking and climbing.



TONY DICKINSON SERVICE TECHNICIAN

For almost his entire career Tony has been working on Aston Martins. Starting out at the old Aston Martin dealership at Houghton-le-Spring Tony was one of the few Astontrained technicians in the North East following the brand as they opened their new showroom in Newcastle before moving to Aston Workshop in 2022. His factory training has proved invaluable when carrying out the repairs of modern Astons, with their complicated electronic systems. Outside of work Tony can be found camping, fishing, cycling or doing any of his other outdoors hobbies, or practicing the drums.

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Worldwide Transport

Our global reputation as one of the leading Aston Martin specialists is one we have earned by delivering the finest examples of the marque to owners around the world. Whether based within the UK or farther afield, we have transport options available for every Aston Martin owner.

From cars leaving our showroom to restoration projects leaving our workshop, we always have our products leaving our site on the way to excited owners. Our in-house transport division handles the majority of UK-based collections and deliveries, while European journeys or those around the world are handled by our trusted transport partners.

We are uniquely suited to handle continental transport, with our local port offering an easy and cost-effective route right into the heart of Europe. With the American, Middle Eastern and Far-East markets becoming major destinations for classic Astons, we also have tried-andtested transport options for owners around the world.

Around the World

For owners prioritising quality and originality above all else, sending their car to the UK has always represented the best option for Aston Martin restorations. Our location in the North East of England has some unique advantages; firstly, our local port in Newcastle receives ships from Europe and around the world every day. Our in-house transport division handles the short trip from the port to our facility, while Newcastle airport represents a fantastic option for owners wishing to visit to see the progression of their dream Aston Martin project. Our proximity to the A1, a main length of the country, has us ideally

placed for collection at any other major port in the UK We also have a fantastic relationship with international transport companies such as CARS. With their help we can handle the tricky logistical side of international transport, including bringing the car into the country in the most financially sensible way while we carry out the work you require. In a world where moving cars in and out of countries is getting more and more complicated, the Aston Workshop team is dedicated to providing a stress-free and reasonably-priced around the world.

Within the **United Kingdom**

Aston Transport is our own car transportation division, offering door-to-door transport for customers nationwide. Working 7 days a week to ensure our transport is as convenient as possible, our fleet of covered transporters is on hand to provide a fully insured, reliable and professional transport service. Able to organise collection or delivery right to your door, including not only the car but any parts and loose items associated with it as well, we aim to provide the exact service appropriate to every customer. Between our two covered transporters, covered trailer and our smaller open transporter we are able to transfer five vehicles at once, ideal for anyone moving their garage collection or attending shows. Whether an Aston Martin or any other car, Aston Transport are available for one-way and return trips anywhere within the UK. Our pricing structure is clearly defined, with no hidden costs to worry about. From the tip of Cornwall to northernmost Scotland our door-to-door service covers the entire country, meaning you can relax while our transport division handles every mile of the journey between your location and our County Durham headquarters.



FREE **Collection from** our Local Port

The Newcastle-IImuiden ferry route represents a key part of the transportation of cars from the continent to the UK. Any car arriving to the Port of Tyne will be collected free of charge

£78.50/hr **Labour Rate**

Our labour rate is highly competitive with UK-based Aston Martin specialists, and represents a sizeable Europe and further afield.

£150.00 **One-way Trip** by Ferry*

to Newcastle represent a key part of our european transport offering.

£2.00/mile

Our UK transportation division offers competitively priced, fully insured covered transport. Our fleet of car move up to five cars at once, as well as any additional parts and accessories as needed.

Within Europe

Europe has never been closer, with our local port offering a direct ferry service to IJmuiden, Amsterdam. This well-established route represents a main transport artery for Aston Workshop; instead of travelling through the entirety of England to reach one of the southern ports, a short 20-minute drive is all that separates our County Durham facility from the heart of the continent. We have a number of suggested options for owners in Europe wanting to bring their car to Aston Workshop. Firstly, we invite you to drive your car to us making use of the IJmuiden-Newcastle route, and stay with us at our boutique country pub hotel.

If you'd prefer to drop the car off

with DFDS means you can simply leave the car with them for us to pick up when the ferry arrives. We're also happy to send a transportation driver to collect your car; we can send one of our transporters or simply pick the car up from yourself and drive it back to County Durham When considering what option works best for you, please consult our map to check your distance from the port of IJmuiden

















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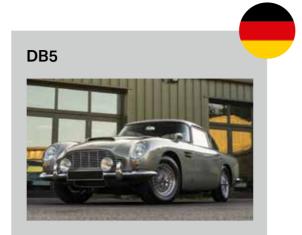
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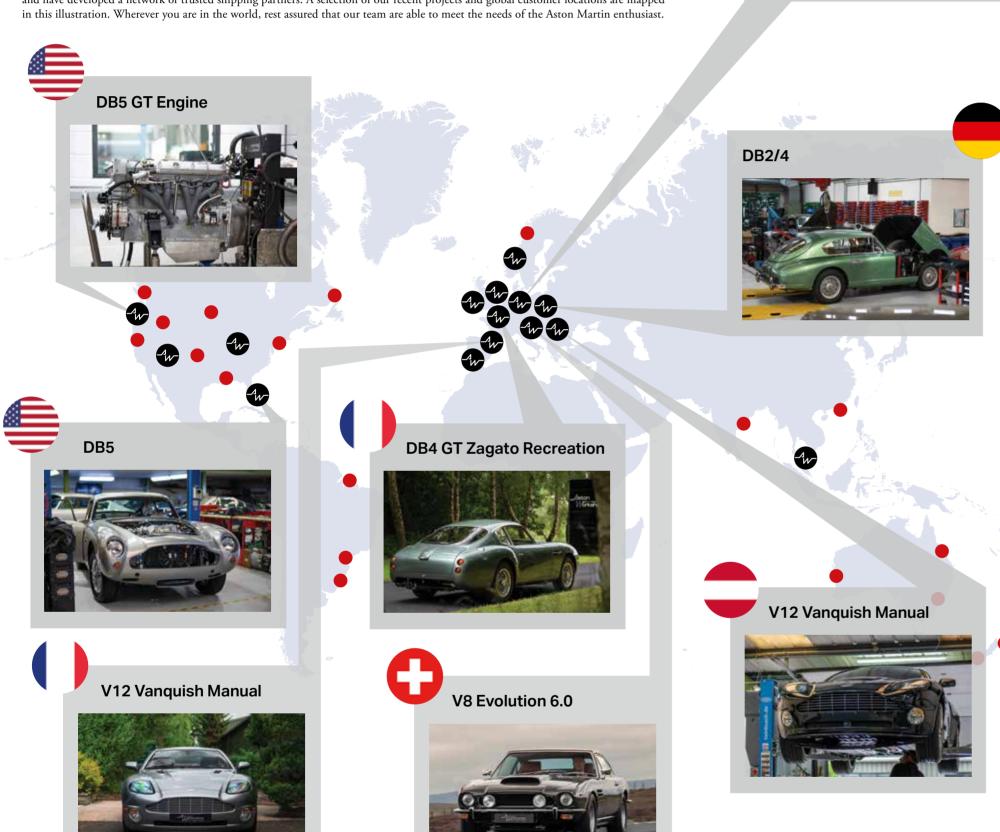


The Global Aston Martin Specialist

County Durham's finest exports

Aston Martin is a marque that is admired the world over. It is therefore unsurprising that we regularly receive enquiries and orders from all over the world for bespoke projects, new and used parts, engines, restorations and sales. Over the last four decades Aston Workshop has grown to offer a truly global service to meet our customers varying needs. We have significant experience in import/export procedures and have developed a network of trusted shipping partners. A selection of our recent projects and global customer locations are mapped





RHD TO LHD CONVERSIONS

With only 10 per cent of Aston Martins produced prior to the DB7 manufactured in left-hand drive, Aston Workshop is happy to meet demand for right/left-hand drive conversions upon customer request. The work is carried out on-site to the very highest standards, and we manufacture or acquire all the necessary components, including the

hand-crafted dashboards. The result is a flawless production-correct appearance to match or exceed that of an original LHD Aston Martin. Demand is such in the larger left hand-drive markets that vehicle values can actually increase, at the very least covering the cost of the work. Conversions from left- to right-hand drive are also available.

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business in these areas

How we make it easy for International Clients

With a global reputation for the highest quality of service, Aston Workshop are able to handle all aspects of selling, servicing, restoring and upgrading cars for customers around the world.

As one of the leading independent Aston Martin specialists, Aston Workshop is experienced with dealing with customers internationally. The often complex and confusing systems regarding car sales across borders are fully taken care of by our sales team, meaning the customer can relax and simply await delivery. International customers are always invited to see the car in person: Newcastle International Airport is

only 20 minutes away from the Aston Workshop site, and we're happy to provide transportation to and from the airport. A guided tour of our facilities provide a real-life demonstration of our high standards and quality of work, and a hotel stay can be organised at our 300-year-old gastropub and hotel, the Black Horse Beamish.

Once a car has been purchased by a customer our sales team handle all aspects of the work required to import the car into the destination country, meaning all that is left for the new owner is to take delivery of the car and enjoy their new Aston Martin.

That philosophy of making things as easy as possible for international clients carries over to the restoration, engineering and upgrade side of our business.

Our special projects programmes for

example are particularly popular with owners from around the world. Commission Aston Workshop to carry out a restoration on your car, and you'll be given a dedicated contact who handles every part of the transportation and restoration process. You'll be invited to visit us throughout the restoration process to check on the progress of your project, and the final delivery will be organised by our experienced team with support from our trusted international transport partners.

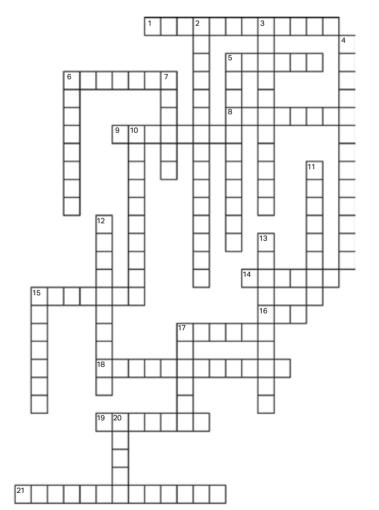


- 1. Race driver with two F1 podiums, and winner of the 1959 24 Hours of Le Mans. (3,9)
- 5. Surname of Aston Martin F1 driver, and company owner. (6)
- 6. Carrozzeria _____ Superleggera. (7) Range-topping super-GT now in it's
- third generation. (8) 9. Banbury-based engineering firm
- responsible for running Aston's race teams. (8)
- 14. Italian design house with multiple Aston Martin models. (6)
- 15. Nameplate given to high-performance Aston models, and their current sports car. (7)
- 16. Aston Martin's SUV. (3)
- 17. French word, and name of two Aston models, (6)
- 18. Business partner of Robert Bamford. (6.6) 19. 2015 film which the DB10 was designed exclusively for. (7)
- 21. Film producer behind the James Bond franchise. (5,8)

- 2. Formula One world champion who scored Aston Martin's only 2021 podium finish, (9.6)
- Race car designer behind the Valkyrie, and current Aston Martin employee (6,5)
- Body style of 1950s soft-top Aston Martins. (8,5)
- Home of the Aston Martin F1 team. and the British Grand Prix. (11)
- Newport Pagnell-based coachbuilder previously owned by Aston Martin. (8) Home of the current Aston factory. (6)
- 10. This actor drove a Bahama Yellow DBS in one of his major roles. (5,5) 11. Engine-builders behind the 6.5L
- Valkyrie V12. (8) 12. Aston Martin team manager during the successful 1959 Le Mans
- winning season. (3.7) Aston Martin designer behind cars such as the Atom. (6,4)
- 15. Track-focused Aston Martin designed with input from Fernando Alonso. (7) 17. Manual V12 supercar built to celebrate 110 years of Aston Martin. (6)
- 20. ____, Beauty and Soul. (5)

15. Valiant 17. Valour 20. Power 12. Reg Parnell 13. Claude Hill 10. Roger Moore 11. Cosworth 5. Silverstone 6. Tickford 7. Gaydon 3. Adrian Newey 4. Drophead Coupe Down - 2. Sebastian Vettel 21. Cubby Broccoli 18. Lionel Martin 19. Spectre 15. Vantage 16. DBX 17. Virage 8. Vanquish 9. Prodrive 14. Zagato 1. Roy Salvadori 5. Stroll 6. Touring - ssoup Crossword Answers -

Can you complete our Aston Martin themed crossword? Answers can be found at the bottom of this page.



WORDSEARCH

Try our Aston Martin themed wordsearch and see how many words you can find. Words can be horizontal, vertical or diagonal and may be backwards too. The words can also be found in the crossword answers.



Easy - 10 words. Good - 20 words. Full House - 25 words.



"Nice to see engineering a major part of the business, rare to see these days!" MR H WHITHAM

"As always, an excellent &

professional level of service. Thank you Chris and the team!" MR A OXENHAM

"This was my 4th service, we always stay over at the hotel.

MR K BROWN

experience in the business

Service is excellent!"

"You don't get better than this. If you want the best, go to Aston Workshop!"

MR A DODDS

CUSTOMER REVIEWS

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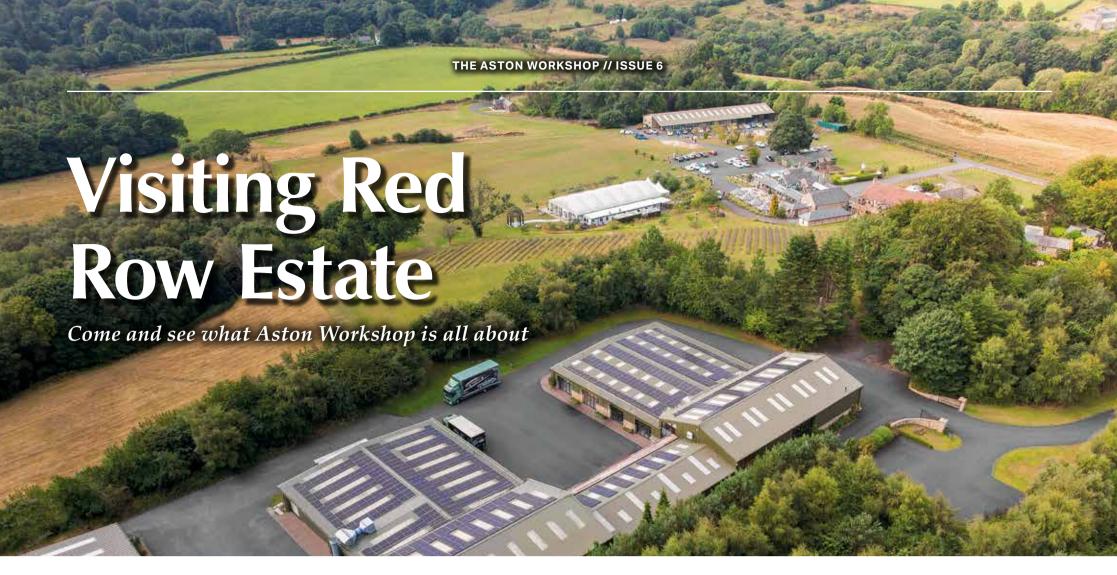
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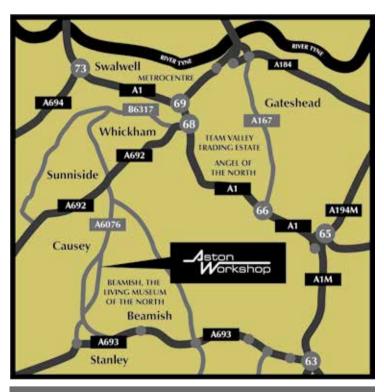
of our oldest staff employed employee at our facility



Located only 10 minutes from the A1(M), our County Durham HQ is easily travelled to by car from either the North or South. For visitors from the North West, the picturesque A69 from Carlisle to Newcastle is the most direct route, with various detours available through the Pennines. By train, the stations of Newcastle, Durham and Chesterle-Street are all close by and are

situated on the East Coast Main Line from London to Edinburgh. International guests often fly into Newcastle Airport, a short drive from our facility, or come across from continental Europe via the Ijmuiden-Newcastle ferry.

Contact us in advance and we will be able to organise a collection for potential clients from any of these local transport hubs.



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Car Barn Beamish

Car Barn Beamish is the newest of three companies situated on the Red Row Estate and has one from strength to strength since its inception. The premier independent sports, prestige and classic specialist in the North East of England, and an official Caterham dealer, the Car Barn was established just over a decade ago to offer sales, service, repair and upgrade services for car enthusiasts in the North. With the introduction of the Car Barn Drivers' Club in 2022 the Car Barn is also home to some of the most unique and eclectic car meets in the North East.



Scan for more about Car Barn Beamish



Black Horse Beamish

Dating back over 300 years, the Black Horse was one of 10 cottages originally built on the Red Row Estate. Our very own pub, restaurant and wedding venue, the Black Horse Beamish also offers accommodation including two cottages and a number of ensuite rooms. The Black Horse lies at the centre of the Red Row Estate and is a food and drink destination in its own right. As one of the sister companies of Aston Workshop it also offers hospitality to our clients and guests, with our Service and Stay offer proving popular for Aston owners travelling from further afar.



Scan for more about The Black Horse Beamish

Workshop Tours

Treat the Aston Martin fan in your life to a guided tour of Aston Workshop. You'll be shown every part of the business and see some of the finest craftsmen in the industry at work as you see the restoration process happen in real time. Start in our showroom, housing one of the largest collections of Aston Martins for sale in the UK, before moving on to our workshop, engineering facilities and body and paint centre. Finally, visit our Black Horse Beamish pub for an exquisite two-course meal.



Our tours have limited availability and can be booked now from £145 per person. Book today by visiting the website, **www.blackhorsebeamish.co.uk** scan below or call the Black Horse Beamish on 01207 232 569.



Scan to book your Workshop Tour

Things to see and do in the North East

Situated not far from where Northumberland, Tyne and Wear and County Durham meet, the Red Row Estate is only a stone's throw away from some of the best tourist destinations in the North of England. The award-winning and worldfamous Beamish Museum, a faithful open-air recreation of life in the North East during the industrial revolution, is located mere minutes away from our facility. Allowing visitors a true hands-on experience, the museum features a coal-fired fish and chip shop, 1920s Bakery and Sweet Shops, and other buildings moved brick by brick from the

surrounding villages to the museum. The cities of Durham and Newcastle are both situated within a 20-minute drive from our facility and offer their own unique blend of the famous North East hospitality. Durham Cathedral and Castle together form a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and Newcastle features sights including Hadrian's Wall, St James' Park and the Quayside and its bridges. Head further north and you'll reach picturesque Northumberland. Bamburgh Castle, Holy Island and the historic town of Alnwick are just some of the treats Northumberland has in store.





