

TVR 1946-1982: The Trevor Wilkinson and Martin Lilley Years

TVR is one of the most iconic British sports car manufacturers, with a rich history spanning over 70 years. The period from 1946 to 1982 was a particularly pivotal time for the company, as it saw the leadership of Trevor Wilkinson and Martin Lilley. During this time, TVR produced some of its most legendary models, including the Griffith, the Vixen, and the Tasmin.



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This book tells the story of TVR during this golden era, from its humble beginnings in a small workshop in Blackpool to its rise to prominence as one of the world's leading sports car manufacturers. The book is packed with rare photographs, interviews with key figures, and detailed technical specifications. It is the definitive work on TVR's history during this period.

The Trevor Wilkinson Years

Trevor Wilkinson founded TVR in 1946, and he remained at the helm of the company until 1962. During this time, TVR produced a number of successful models, including the Grantura and the Tuscan. Wilkinson was a gifted engineer, and he was responsible for many of TVR's innovative designs.

One of Wilkinson's most famous creations was the Grantura. The Grantura was a lightweight, aerodynamic sports car that was powered by a variety of engines, including Ford V8s and BMC B-Series engines. The Grantura was a successful racer, and it helped to establish TVR's reputation as a builder of fast and reliable sports cars.

Another one of Wilkinson's iconic designs was the Tuscan. The Tuscan was a larger and more luxurious sports car than the Grantura, and it was powered by a variety of V8 engines. The Tuscan was a popular choice among celebrities and racing drivers, and it helped to make TVR a household name.

The Martin Lilley Years

Martin Lilley took over as managing director of TVR in 1962, and he remained in this position until 1982. During this time, TVR continued to produce successful sports cars, including the Vixen, the Tasmin, and the Wedge. Lilley was a shrewd businessman, and he helped to expand TVR's international sales.

One of Lilley's most successful models was the Vixen. The Vixen was a sleek and stylish sports car that was powered by a variety of engines, including Ford V8s and Rover V8s. The Vixen was a popular choice among

British sports car enthusiasts, and it helped to make TVR one of the most popular sports car manufacturers in the UK.

Another one of Lilley's iconic designs was the Tasmin. The Tasmin was a more luxurious and refined sports car than the Vixen, and it was powered by a variety of V8 engines. The Tasmin was a popular choice among celebrities and wealthy enthusiasts, and it helped to make TVR a global brand.

The Wedge Years

In the late 1970s, TVR began to produce a new generation of sports cars known as the Wedge. The Wedge was a radical departure from TVR's previous designs, and it featured a sharp, angular design. The Wedge was powered by a variety of engines, including Ford V8s and Rover V8s.

The Wedge was a controversial car, but it was also a very successful one. The Wedge helped to establish TVR as a leader in the design and production of high-performance sports cars.

The Legacy of TVR

TVR is one of the most iconic British sports car manufacturers, and its cars have been driven by some of the world's most famous racing drivers and celebrities. The company's history is a testament to the passion and dedication of its founders and employees.

The Trevor Wilkinson and Martin Lilley years were a golden era for TVR, and the cars that were produced during this time are still highly sought-after by collectors and enthusiasts today.

This book is a must-have for any fan of TVR or British sports cars. It is a comprehensive and well-written account of one of the most important periods in the company's history.

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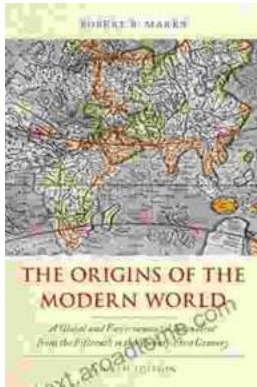
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