

Touring Superleggera delivers Certificate of Authentic Restoration to enhance value of classic cars

Work in progress on gorgeous Maserati Frua is exhibited at Auto e Moto d'Epoca in Padua

At the Auto e Moto d'Epoca show in Padua Touring exhibits a restoration work in progress on the 1953 MASERATI A6G Gran Sport coupé coach built by Frua, VIN 2028, engine nr. 000161

This car was expressly built for the 1952 Torino Motor Show. The compact bodywork showcases Frua's penchant for curvaceous lines underlined by elegant ornaments, and features exquisite interior.

The owner was attracted by Touring Superleggera's reputation for accuracy and expertise in the construction techniques of the manufacturing period.

The car is exhibited as body-in-white with some trim elements in fitment trial stage. The whole project will last twelve months. The work started - as usual at Touring - with disassembly and pressurised water scouring. This highlighted the need for structural intervention on the rocker panels, cross members and floor panels.

After validation on the measurement platform, the body was totally removed and panels were inspected. In agreement with the owner, it was decided to preserve and repair as many panels as possible, including the accident-damaged right side.

The body was then re-assembled on its underpinnings and adjusted for interstice and surface alignment. Fitment trial of trim and brightwork is now under way.

The next steps to conclusion include refurbishment of cabin upholstery, wire harness and instruments, seals and chrome work, after re-spraying in the original, typical maroon shade. Painstakingly careful trim assembly, panel gapping, aesthetic and functional quality control will then lead to the final sign-off.

Touring Certificate of Authentic Restoration

The value of classic cars restored by Touring Superleggera is enhanced by the Certificate of Authentic Restoration. It states that the most accurate historical research has been performed, and that materials, parts and refurbishing techniques are authentic or compatible with the original.

If the restored car has Touring bodywork, the certification extends to the truthful respect of the authentic shapes and details.

The Maserati A6G Gran Sport

This is the sole Maserati known to be designed with road and track intention alike. After a number of successful races, the manufacturer modified the 2-litre A6GCS to be suitable for the road, aiming at increasing its production numbers. Luigi Orsini then christened it A6G54 2000 Sport.

The best Italian coach builders contended for the most creative design on a chassis bound to success for its outstanding mechanical qualities. After the 1952 Torino show introduction, this Frua coachwork won the Gran Premio d'Onore at Concorso d'Eleganza dei giardini del Pincio in Rome.



a prominent show at that time. It was awarded another victory in September at the Concorso d'Eleganza di Stresa.

After being shipped to the first owner in California the #2028 was traded and re-sprayed in bright red replacing the original maroon shade. The current owner required Touring a refurbishment to original conditions, with "concours" finish.

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