



## BRITISH MOTOR HERITAGE

- Building a Classic for the Future -

**An MG RV8, a classic British sportscar of the future, is being built on the British Motor Heritage stand in Hall 2 at the Techo Classica Show, Essen, Germany on February 22 - 25 1996.**

When completed, the car will be entered in the 1996 racing season in the U.K. by 'Team Cowley MG', an amateur racing car team of Rover employees based in the Cowley factory. With teams of experts drawn from both within Rover and from British Motor Heritage, the classic car division of Rover, this build demonstrates the close links between Heritage and the mainstream business.

The MG RV8 was based on the original MGB, the tooling and jigs for which were saved by British Motor Heritage in 1988 when they restarted making genuine MGB bodyshells. Heritage built the bodies for the RV8 and so have considerable experience of the car.

Brian Cameron, managing director of BMH, said, "Full production of the MG RV8 has now ceased at Rover's Cowley plant but this special racing version will demonstrate just what can be done with this car for the serious enthusiast".

The car being built at Essen will be finished to a very high specification. To complement a more powerful engine there is a modified exhaust system, lower profile tyres and special alloy wheels. A new sporting interior includes polished black dash facings, while from the outside the most obvious differences include air vents on the front wings and brake cooling ducts in the front bumper.

Painted in the classic red with white hardtop colour scheme, the car echoes the famous Le Mans MGB's of the 1960's. The build commenced at 11.00 am on February 22nd and will continue throughout the show. The completed car will be 'fired up' at 4.00 pm on the final day of the show, to provide a fitting climax to the event.

For more information on this MG RV8,  
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