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Whatever Easter means to you, Free Car Mag hopes that vou get lots of lovely chocolate eggs.

Easter suggests that it is pretty much springtime which is why we put Pixie Lott on the cover. She is a positive breath of fresh air, with a sunny smile and a bright white Citroen DS that she likes putting in her music videos. Well that's our excuse anyway.

Easter bunnys pop up at this time of the year and in a moment of madness we speculated as to just what cars he might drive. We also do the serious car buying stuff, so Free Car Mag pick out the best used city cars that your money can buy in association with Motors.co.uk.

Then we go a bit silly again by offering you the chance to win an old Corgi toy which is shaped like a Cadbury's Crème egg. We worried that a real egg might get broken or could melt in the post. Instead, we thought the toy, which could well become a collector's item, as it is mint and boxed, could be something you thank Free Car Mag for in a few years time.

Thanks again to Halfords and Autogylm for offering prizes. Your very last chance to enter the Britax competition to win a Range Rover Evoque.



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BROSNAN AT THE SUPERBOWL IN A SORENTO

Pierce Brosnan, known worldwide for his sophisticated movie hero roles and one of the better James Bonds, made the "Perfect Getaway" in Kia Motors America's 60-second commercial for the all-new Kia Sorento, during the third quarter of Super Bowl XLIX. "Along with the two leading teams, at one of America's greatest sporting events, the Super Bowl commercials are the centrepiece of the day," said Brosnan. "I've enjoyed being a part of the Kia team, which traditionally has one of the most memorable commercials in the game."

Stella McCartney and Jaguar join Fashion Forces

Ahead of Stella McCartnev's Paris Fashion Week Show, Jaguar joined forces with the leading British designer for the FEEL XE campaign draped in her distinctive Superhero print from her Spring 2015 collection.





1 Citroen DS3 from £12.850 citroen.co.uk

2 Leather biker jacket, £220 topshop.co.uk topshop.co.uk topshop.co.uk

3 Petite Moto black ripped jeans, £45

4 Jovonna crop top, £40

5 Clarks patent leather shoes, £45 clarks.co.uk 6 Snake effect bracelet. £7.50 topshop.co.uk

7 Black quilted crossbody bag, £18 topshop.co.uk







Bunny Carrier

Lets face it, bunny rabbits are famous for only one thing and that's making lots more smaller ones. Consequently Derrick The Easter Bunny needs plenty of seats. That explains why he drives a California. This is an especially cool type of baby bunny shifter and could cost up to £30,000.



Bunny BMW

You may not know this but that's a BMW Isetta right there at a Bavarian funfair. Unofficially known as a Bubble Car, Derrick rather convincingly argues that this is actually much more of an Egg (shaped) Car. This he uses when he goes undercover, hiding eggs. From about £12,000.



Bunny Bike

It is not generally known that Derrick has a motorcycle licence, but when he needs to get that Swiss Chocolate egg to someone special, then he dodges the traffic jams on board a Honda Gold Wing 20th Anniversary Model. That's around £16,500. .



Bunny Mobile

Cadburys Crème Egg car. Of course this is a car that Derrick the Easter Bunny was born to drive, possibly because it was designed for him. Here it is pictured with the Hon Ralph Montagu at his Beaulieu Motor Museum and a Crème Egg that may not be entirely real. Basically this is priceless. Win a collector's item Crème Egg Car, still in its box, p.25



f you've never heard of Nismo, now is the time to start learning. Nissan have supplied a useful chart so we don't have to make their exciting thirty-year history seem boring. The truth is that there is nothing

remotely boring about any Nissan that earns the Nismo badge.

The Nissan GT-R NISMO features exclusive styling that embraces their longstanding racing philosophy. It has numerous motorsports-inspired technologies to enhance the car's performance through optimised aerodynamics, suspension and powertrain, creating a well-balanced machine.

GT-R NISMO has a phenomenal engine, delivering truly unbelievable performance. The 3.8 litre V6 benefits from NISMO's unrivalled expertise for unbeatable speed. Its Spec-V, high diameter turbochargers, are also used for GT3 racing. The smart aerodynamics provide 100kg of additional downforce at 186 mph allowing you to master both track and road at incredible speeds.

From the signature red stitching to the NISMO exclusive carbon bucket seats, everything inside a Nissan GT-R NISMO expresses attitude and performance with all the special logos and red details.

From £125.000

If that's a tad too much then the 370Z Nismo is still pretty astounding. The revised 370Z NISMO also features new 19inch Rays alloy wheels finished in black and silver. 3.7-litre six-cylinder engine that delivers a raw and unforgettable driving experience. With exceptional pulling power at low revs and a broad performance range, the 370Z NISMO can sprint from 0-62mph in just 5.2 seconds. Breathing through a NISMO dual exhaust system, the 370Z NISMO also delivers the perfect sporting soundtrack.

From £37.575









HERITAGE'57

PADDOCK SHIRT
The Heritage '57 paddock shirt offers a contemporary interpretation of Jaguar's racing history, which is £40.

HERITAGE'57 RACING HOLDALL

Also crafted by the Somerset-based Pittards, this Heritage leather race bag takes inspiration from the bold white No. 3 roundel from the vehicle itself and features buckle detail based on the D-Type's bonnet straps. It costs £195.



HERITAGE '57 T-SHIRT 24 HEURES

A high quality t-shirt, printed with a vintage graphic of the D-Type and the Jaguar Heritage lozenge on the sleeve all for £25

ack in the '80s you could buy yourself a plastic sports bag with a leaping cat on it and some equally naff bits of daywear. Thank goodness that Jaguar has introduced the

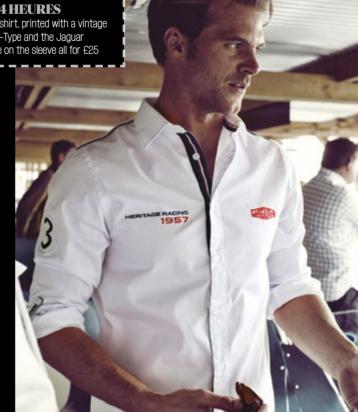
Heritage '57 Collection, a range of branded goods celebrating 60 years of the iconic Jaguar D-Type. Jaguar's Design team have created the

range to commemorate Jaguar's most successful period at Le Mans, using the winning No. 3 'Ecurie Ecosse' team car from 1957 as inspiration.

Ian Callum, Director of Design at Jaguar, said: "Occasionally it's great fun to celebrate the past, especially something as momentous as a winning Ecurie Ecosse D-Type. The collection is distinguished by the blue flag and draws on signature cues from the winning No.3 car."

It doesn't end there of course as a further

range of Heritage '57 canvas branded goods are available including a holdall, wash bag, iPad case and leather wallet each featuring iconic imagery printed onto the outer material of each piece. Smaller items such as keyrings, cufflinks and a racing Children's Bear are also available and you can find them at www.jaguar.co.uk/shop





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Rise of the robots

Why Free Car Magazine is for (and against) the driverless car

ust a year ago I believed that driverless cars were simply an elaborate tax dodge for Google. However, it seems they really are going to happen. European governments have announced plans to introduce laws about who will be deemed at fault when the cars crash.

Reflecting our different cultures, our Government hasn't bothered with laws instead announcing more optimistically that we are going to test them in Milton Kevnes (and inexplicably Coventry).

The car enthusiast in me is instinctively against the driverless car: automatics lessen the skill of driving, electric steering lessens the sensation of driving, and driverless cars, well they lessen the, you know, the driver in the driving.

The alpha male in me is a bit scared of it too; what if Google can drive a Renault Megane down the M4 better than I can? That would be embarrassing.

And the Luddite in me is against this on principle; Coventry should remain a challenging place to drive.

But mainly I am against driverless cars because

it is clearly stupidly dangerous.

Google is advertising right now that we can search by talking to its App. I asked it for a street view of a road in Yorkshire and it gave me the address of a window cleaner in Wolverhampton.

If driverless tech is that good then we are going to need some German laws in Milton Keynes pretty urgently.

But the thing is, if I could work while my car drove me home. I could get out of work an hour earlier...

So despite all I have said, I am absolutely for driverless cars and if Google not paying tax helps pay to make happen quicker, then that's fine too.

What if Google can drive a Megane down the M4 better than I can?





QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"Crash, Bang and Very **Expensive Wallop**"

PAGANI ZONDA OWNER GJ HEARD AFTER HE CRASHED IT INTO AN INDUSTRIAL ESTATE IN NORTH LONDON



"Although the signs will not stop those intent on using Lovelands Lane, the type of sign will stand out to those who do not use the area regularly. As such, those who rely on 'sat navs' for directions are more likely to seek an alternative route."

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUE STATEMENT FOLLOWING A POLICE CAR BECOMING THE 23RD VEHICLE TO BE STUCK IN WATER UP ITS WHEEL ARCHES IN CHOBHAM FORD

"Cycling is his hobby and he understands how dangerous it was. It was a windy day and he was coming down the hill. He did realise at the time he was going above 20mph but did not have a speedometer."

CYCLIST FINED AFTER BEING CLOCKED RIDING 41MPH IN RICHMOND PARK



nveiled rather appropriately on the 007 stage at Pinewood Studios, Aston Martin The luxury British sports car brand was delighted to confirm that James Bond will once again drive one of their cars in Spectre. This won't be any old Aston, this model has been developed specifically for the film and built in-house by the brand's design and engineering teams.

Led by Aston Martin Chief

Creative Officer, Marek Reichman, the design team worked closely with the film's director, Sam Mendes, to create the ultimate car for the world's most famous spy.

Celebrating the great British brand's half century with Bond, which started with the iconic DB5, the DB10 gives a glimpse to the future design direction for the next generation of Aston Martins.

Dr Andy Palmer, CEO of Aston Martin, said: "In the same year that we celebrate our 50-year relationship with 007, it seems

> doubly fitting that today we unveiled this wonderful new sports car created

especially for James Bond.

"To be partnering once again with EON Productions is great news for this company and for everyone around the world that loves to see Bond at the wheel of an Aston Martin.

"I'm incredibly proud of everyone

in the team at Gaydon who have brought this special project from concept to reality."

People who aren't called James Bond will also have the chance to buy a DBIO, but it will be furiously expensive and just ten will be built. Start saving.





BMW X5 VS CHEVROLET **CAPTIVA**

Off-road or soft-road. green lane or fast lane, whatever your reason for going 4x4 there are bargains a-plenty to be had if you're looking in the right place, like here...

f your building society book is burning a hole in your pocket, and you have been looking around for a 4x4 or SUV then the BMW X5 must surely be on your list of possible buys.

It's been around (in several generations) for long enough now that there is one for every budget. Plus, it's a BMW, so it's very well made. The MOT stats back it up, a 12 year old BMW 5-Series only fail just over half the time. Whereas the Chevrolet Captiva (the what?) fails 48% of the time when its half that age.

But here's the thing. BMW can't stop customers racing away at the lights, or whacking every curb in the multi-storey. Nor can they make servicing mandatory. Which means that most 12 year old cars are compromised and if you take a look at the brake discs next time you are next to an X5 at the lights, you see that they are enormous. And big chunks of metal like that cost big chunks of your wallet at service time.

So if your budget is just £7,000 (the Uk's average used car budget) and you want a 4x4, instead of buying the stylish head turner, buy the Lidl version that no one has heard of. They won't think less of vou because they haven't seen one before.



You can point out that they use Captivas in hit Channel 4 series Homeland (don't mention that they also use Ford Mavericks and Jeeps), and that Chevrolet sponsor Man Utd. And while it might fail the MOT almost as much, it will always be cheaper to fix and because it is half the age and mileage, it has been abused about half as much, so is less likely to break down and call upon your 'Liquid Gold' savings book (other brands of saving account are available).

Next week: Audi A3 vs Renault Megane





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"Cylinder Head £1500" - Source: Warranty Direct data, 2012

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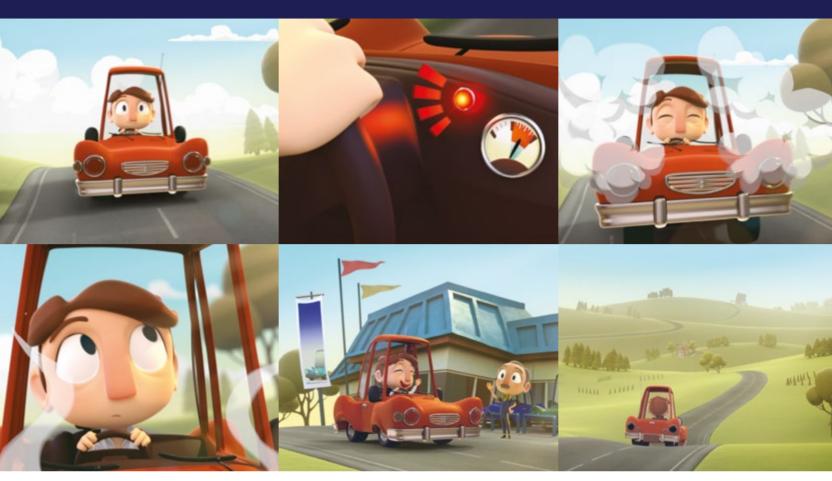
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s there such a thing as a City Car? I mean, a parking space is a set size these and you can't just can't squeeze in anywhere. However, residents' parking bays can be a challenge. Indeed, parking right outside your own house is an issue, so a teeny tiny car makes sense.

Easily the best reason for having a small city car in your life is that it will be a lot less hassle. Cheap to run and insure, if all you plan on doing is bouncing around town picking up shopping, kids and doing short commutes, what could be better?

The choice of town centre assault vehicles has never been wider. There is everything from pure budget buys, to really quite luxurious little limousines. Surfing through what's on offer at Motors.co.uk is, as always a jolly good start. So lets start looking for a City Car that will fit right into your lifestyle.

FUNKY CITY DWELLER



Smart For Two Coupe (10) £4995

If you want to take up the bare minimum of space then the Smart is the one to have. It is also a classy package, which has always looked like the future. Driving it does take a bit of getting used to and it does bounce in and out of potholes, but hey that's part of the fun.

One we found Smart For Two Coupe Passion CDI at Trust Ford Dagenham 0203 733 4841. The Passion is well equipped and has extra power projector headlamps and exterior temperature gauge and frost alarm. So when it is dark and cold the buver will be fine. Two former keepers.

CITY WORKER



Fiat Panda (10) £4500

Fiat invented the City Car and they do of course have the chic 500, but sometimes you really do need four doors and folding seats to get people, boxes and goodness knows what inside. Here is a little van, which will swallow whatever you can throw at it.

One we found A Fiat Panda 1.3 Dynamic at McCarthy Cars UK 020 3131 5075. This had covered 40,000 miles from new and had just the one owner, described as being a 'Lady'. We think that's good. Full service history and £30 a vear to tax.



CITY SLICKER



Toyota iQ (10) £4988

Like the Smart the iQ was pricey when new, which means once used this is something of a bargain. Here is an upmarket and really rather tiny vehicle which is perfect for the city environment, but even when you take it on long trips it feels super comfy. This is a class act. One we found a Toyota IQ WT-I at Arnold Clark 01224 426248 had covered just 26,000 miles and only the one previous owner. Road tax is zero so it seems like a very clean and tidy car that should be super cheap to run. Nice shade of blue too.

CITY VALUE PACK

available for long.



Kia Picanto (12) £5995

Two doors are all very well, but an extra two make a big difference. It looks very sharp and is fantastically practical. It feels like a proper grown up hatchback which is a great achievement. Superb value as a new buy which just gets better once used. One we found a Kia Picanto 1.0 at WJ King KIA Sidcup 1 Air. Here is a main dealer car that has 32,634 miles under its wheels. Zero road tax is a big attraction, but as it is freshly listed it may not stay

SEX IN THE CITY



Volkswagen Up (12) £5999 This is still quite new and fresh, but it is a lovely little car.

Not only does it look great, every element of this car has been thought through. The Up is effectively a miniature Golf, which is a very good thing indeed. Here is a City Car that you can't help falling in love with.

One we found A Volkswagen Up! 1.0 at Car Craft Enfield 020 3733 4067. Here is a neat red three door model that had covered 29,458 miles and had one previous owner. Annual road tax is £20 and is rightly described as the perfect first car.



e don't know what a Super Sports Utility is either, but that's what we are calling a 4 x 4 that's quicker than many performance cars. 'GTS' has stood for enhanced levels of dynamics, performance and driver involvement. This GTS comes with a 3.6-litre V6 petrol engine. However, all you need to know is that this model is quicker than the old one and accelerates from 0 to 62 mph in 5.2 seconds and a top speed of 162 mph. As standard it has a sports exhaust system, which provides the familiarly deep GTS soundtrack, so it sounds great.

The GTS looks special too, never mind the 20-inch wheels in the RS Spyder design, there's a new feature on the front doors: striking GTS lettering. In that price customers will be able to explore the potential of their new Cayenne, and further develop their own skills behind the wheel, by participating in a complimentary course at the Porsche Experience Centre, Silverstone.









RENAULT ZOE

Renault UK is has introduced new ownership packages for customers, who will be able to order a new ZOE which is supplied 'Full Purchase'. This means that there is now the choice between full ownership of the vehicle and the battery, or buy-the-car/hire-the-battery schemes. Potential Renault electric-vehicle customers can therefore tailor an ownership package to their exact requirements. There's also good news for those who prefer the peace of mind and lower purchase cost of battery hire, with a special offer of lower monthly rates for the ZOE.



OLKSWAGEN GOLF R-LINE

The R-Line is a Golf GT but with some really nice sporty designer bits and bobs. For an extra £995 there is a rear spoiler, side skirts and radiator grille, bespoke air intakes, R-Line front bumpers and fog lights, R-Line rear bumper and diffuser, and 17-inch Singapore alloy wheels. Under the bonnet two engines are available: one petrol a 1.4

and one diesel the 2.0TDl.

In keeping with the sporty theme, the interior receives stainless steel pedals and front door sills, black lead grey inlays and door trims, Sports Race design front seats with R-Line logo, black rooflining, leather gear knob and gear lever gaiter and R-Line leather multifunction sports steering wheel.



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WIN A RANGE ROVER EVOQUE WITH BRITAX

Britax has launched the nationwide competition to promote its innovative range of ISOFIX child seats, ranging from Group 1 seats suitable for precious infants through to high-backed boosters designed to keep older children safe while on the move.

All of the products in the promotion can be safely and simply installed using the click-and-go ISOFIX latch system, which secures the child seat directly to the vehicle's chassis, drastically reducing the risk of mis-fitting and ensuring a safer and happier ride for families.

To enter the competition, all you have to do is purchase your very own ISOFIX child seat like the brilliant ADVANSAFIX. So go to www.britax.co.uk and choose a product then enter your details at

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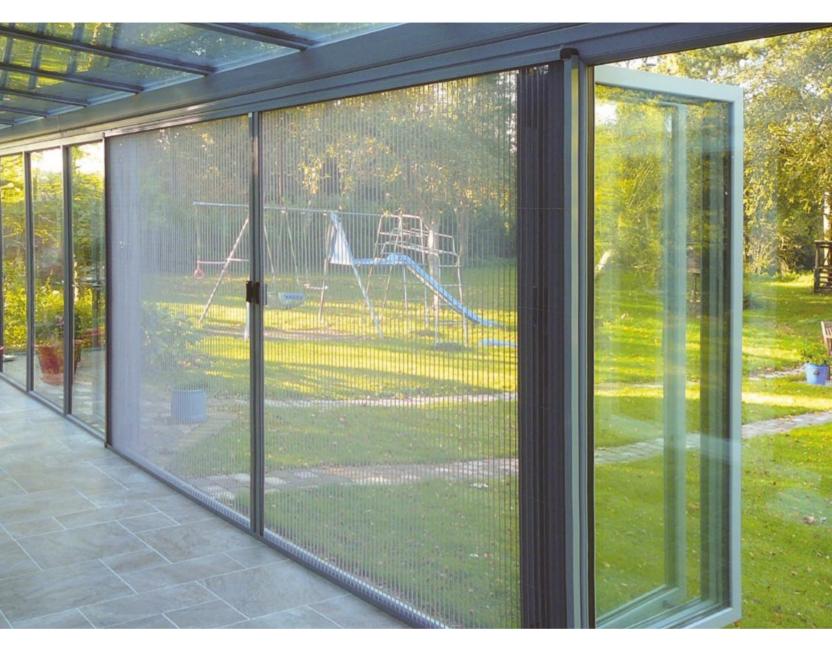




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