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The Porsche 959, produced between 1986 and 1989 was known to be one of the most technologically advanced road cars of its time. Unmatched for speed and dynamic ability in its era, the car is revered by auto aficionados across the world even today

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### **PORSCHE 959 (1986-1989)**

The Porsche 959 took birth as a Group B Rally car and went into production to satisfy FIA's homologation rules. With technologies like the all-wheel-drive system, a first on any Porsche then, it carved out a name for itself in the history books. With its turbocharged 2.8-litre, 400 bhp engine, this Ferrari F40 competitor still remains unstoppable...

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## THE PORSCHE LINEAGE

### 1. PORSCHE 356 SPEEDSTER (1954)

With a low, naked and removable windscreen, a foldable yet small top, bucket seats and low price, the Speedster was Porsche's answer to the demand for a weekend racer in the American market. Its design and production was inspired by Max Hoffman, who was the sole importer of Porsches in the US and advised Ferdinand Porsche to build such a car.

### 2. PORSCHE 993 (1993 - 1998)

The Porsche 993 was a variant of the Porsche's 911 series between 1993 and 1998. What made the car significant was the fact that it was the last car from Porsche to have an air-cooled engine. Even with air-cooling, the car was capable of doing a top speed of upto 270 km/h.

### 3. PORSCHE GT1 (1995)

This 600 bhp, twin turbo, flat six engine Porsche was designed in 1995 to race at the 24 Hours of Le Mans'. Just like the Porsche 959, even the GT1 was later produced as a road going version for homologation purposes. It was called the 911 GT1 'Streckenversion' which stands for 'Street Version' in German.

### 4. PORSCHE CARRERA GT (2004 - 2006)

Porsche's street-legal Carrera GT Supercar is powered by a 600 hp V10 that catapults the car to a 100 kmph in less than 4 seconds and a top whack in excess of 330 kmph. Only 1500 production units were planned for this machine but changes in the DOT safety regulations made Porsche stop production. Only 1200 odd units exist on the road today.

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