

Reviews

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Key rings and tax disc holders Classic Capsule, www.classiccapsule.co.uk 0780 558 6906 **£4.99 plus postage**

West Midlands-based Classic Capsule specialises in accessories of a classic car nature – with obscurity being a focal point. Mass production is unheard of as everything is produced by hand and, should a manufacturer's badge be missed out in its extensive list, CC will be happy to make the artwork from scratch! Key rings are available in ten different fob colours and virtually



any car, van, truck or motorcycle artwork is available, from the early part of the 20th century to the Nineties – making it a one-stop online shop for all your key ring needs. If you want your fob to match the interior, tax disc holders are also available for £4.99 plus postage. Once again, these vinyl stick-on discs are handmade. Maybe you own an oddball such as a Bond Equipe GT, Gordon Keeble or Renault 5 Gordini? The manufacturer and model list is endless! Cufflink & tie bar sets, Zippo-style lighters, various wallets, oil cans, coasters, clocks, bins... Basically the range offers enough scope to turn your attire, house and belongings into a Vanden Plas (or whichever make you own) paradise!



Bug Me – VW maintenance DVDs VW-DIY, www.vw-diy.co.uk 07758 959387 **£15.00 - £20.00 each or £130 the set**

Not so much Watch With Mother as watch with a good ol' boy, then have a go yourself! Carrying out your own servicing and repair work is the best way to save money and the only way you'll learn how your car works and how to fix it when it doesn't. The problem is getting started - even popping the distributor cap off can be a daunting prospect for the first-timer.

Sure, you could read a manual, but it's not the same as watching someone with a lifetime of experience, like Rick Higgins and family, doing

it for real. And explaining each step in infinite detail. These 12 DVDs show everything a virgin VW tinkerer needs to know, from the tools required and the simplest routine maintenance, like oil changes, timing and adjusting valves. Other discs tackle tracing faults, pulling a motor, completely rebuilding an engine and carrying out body repairs. An invaluable guide for the novice and entertaining viewing for grizzled VW veterans, they're totally recommended. Buy the full set for £130, including p&p, for the aircooled anorak in your life now. Or there's currently free UK Christmas shipping and £5.00 off each extra DVD in the same shipment. But be quick!



Anglia Supervan Oxford Diecast, 1:43 scale www.oxforddiecast.co.uk 01792 643500 **£9.95**

Who says classics are too unreliable for everyday use? The late Brian Nelson owned the 'Monte Carlo' garage in Dublin, Ireland, and his Anglia 'Supervan' undertook two significant trips. The first attempt conquered Moscow and the next one, Timbuktu – possibly the most stereotypical distant location!

With help from Ford, Duckhams and Dunlop in 1972, co-driver Paddy McClintock and Brian did 14 countries and 12,000 miles in 26 days. Catching the boat to Helsinki, they drove through the Soviet Union into

Leningrad and then Moscow. The return trip took in the sights of the Ukraine, Poland, Romania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Greece, Yugoslavia, Italy and France.

One year later, Gerry Mooney co-drove on the Timbuktu trip in order to raise money for famine relief, and this time Brian drove through Spain, across to Morocco, carried on to Timbuktu and the Sahara Desert, before making the return trip to Dublin. Although this 1:43 scale model will never leave the mantelpiece, it will offer a reminder of the two amazing journeys that Brian Nelson and his co-drivers made. But whatever happened to the original Supervan? If you know, then please send an email to news@kelsey.co.uk



wax cleaner that only needs to be applied every six months and removes oxidation and cleans the paint in preparation for stage two. This penultimate part of the process involved sealer & glaze. It was far easier to apply and remove once the initial stage had been carried out and really brought the shine out on our tired panel. Stage three is a pure carnauba wax which gave a deep shine and came off effortlessly using a clean microfibre towel.

If your wheels are clogged with brake dust, Wheel Mist is incredibly simple to use. Just spray on, return two minutes later and hose off. However, we found stubborn areas needed brush encouragement. No detail is finished without a tyre and interior freshener up, Protectant diffuses a marzipan aroma that will make your interior smell great, because not only is it useable on rubber, it works on plastic and vinyl too.

So if your classic is crying out for some attention, contact Mothers or send a postcard with your name and address to: Mothers Prize Draw, Classic Car Weekly, Cudham Tithe Barn, Berry's Hill, Cudham, Kent, TN16 3AG. All entries must be received by 9th January 2007.



Mothers detailing kit www.motherswax.co.uk 01964 614 695 **Around £95.00**

Regular readers of this page are often informed about the latest detailing products, but this week there is a chance to reap the rewards without actually spending a penny. Actually, tell a lie, it will require a postage stamp.

We have teamed up with Mothers UK Limited to offer one lucky reader a Mothers detailing kit worth £95. Consisting of seven products, they should keep your classic looking pristine. The sweet-smelling pH balanced California Gold car wash provides lots of suds and kept our sponge lubricated yet, with hose encouragement, the water glided off.

With the paint washed, the clay bar paint saving system was employed to remove contaminants; using Showtime to assist the clay bar, we couldn't believe what was lifted from our Miami Blue test panel.

The Ultimate Wax System is made of three stages. Stage one is a pre-

Wheel clamp and 3/8-inch socket set Laser hand tools, www.lasertools.co.uk 01926 815000 **Around £41.00/£9.99**

Organised gangs steal cars to order and classics are no exception. A morning greeted by a pool of broken glass and a vacant space where your classic once stood is a heart-wrenching experience, so any theft-products are welcomed with open arms at CCW.

Laser Tools is always adding new products to its range and this latest wheel clamp was spurred by the growth of car crime. The compact device should keep an opportunist at bay, because the next car along with no security would obviously be the easier option. Priced around £41, it can be locked without using the key and clamps wheels of between 13 and 17 inches.



When you're working underneath a car and tools are strewn everywhere, identifying the

correct socket can be a frustrating process of elimination. Designed for the younger classic, Laser Tools has introduced a rail of easy-to-identify deep metric sockets. Each distinct marking should make finding that elusive 13mm less troublesome next time work commences. Supplied in 10-17mm sizes, each one is constructed from chrome vanadium and the asking price is around the £10 mark. To locate your nearest stockist, call the number above or visit Laser's website.



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