

2010 Pebble Beach Concours
D'Elegance Best in Show winner:
1933 Delage D8S De Villars Roadster



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A Passion for the Classics

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Each August, California's

Monterey Peninsula shifts into high gear as the world's most exquisite automobiles arrive for the **PEBBLE BEACH CONOURS D'ELEGANCE** (www.pebblebeachconcours.net). The distinguished show, an annual staple since 1950, caps off an assortment of exhibits, auctions and events that pack the seven preceding days. This year's main feature takes place on Aug. 21 — and here's the inside track on related high-octane happenings:

FOR THE CASUAL ENTHUSIAST

With no entrance fee and nearly 200 pristine Porsche, Ferrari and multimarque gems lining pretty Ocean Avenue, the **CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA CONOURS ON THE AVENUE** is a fan favorite. Aug. 16, www.carmelconcours.com

FOR THE CONNOISSEUR THE QUAIL, A MOTORSPORTS GATHERING, transforms the traditional auto exhibition into an exclusive lifestyle affair. Expect jewelry, fine cuisine and cocktails in addition to stunning vehicles and auto memorabilia. Aug. 19, www.quailodgeevents.com

FOR THE COLLECTOR A spectacular selection of cars, including a 1935 Bugatti Type 57 Roadster by Worb-laufen , awaits bidders at the **2011 RM MONTEREY AUCTION**. Aug. 19–20, www.rmauctions.com

FOR THE CLASSIC RACE FAN

Some 550 vintage race vehicles tackle the turns at legendary Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca during the three-day **ROLEX MONTEREY MOTORSPORTS REUNION**. This year's gathering honors the Jaguar E-Type. Aug. 19–21, www.mazdaraceway.com

