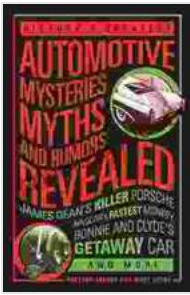


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The Mystery of the Missing Duesenberg

One of the most enduring automotive mysteries is the disappearance of the Duesenberg Model J, chassis number J588. This car was one of only two Duesenbergs ever built with a supercharged engine. It was owned by film star Clark Gable and was last seen in 1938. Despite numerous attempts to locate the car, it has never been found.





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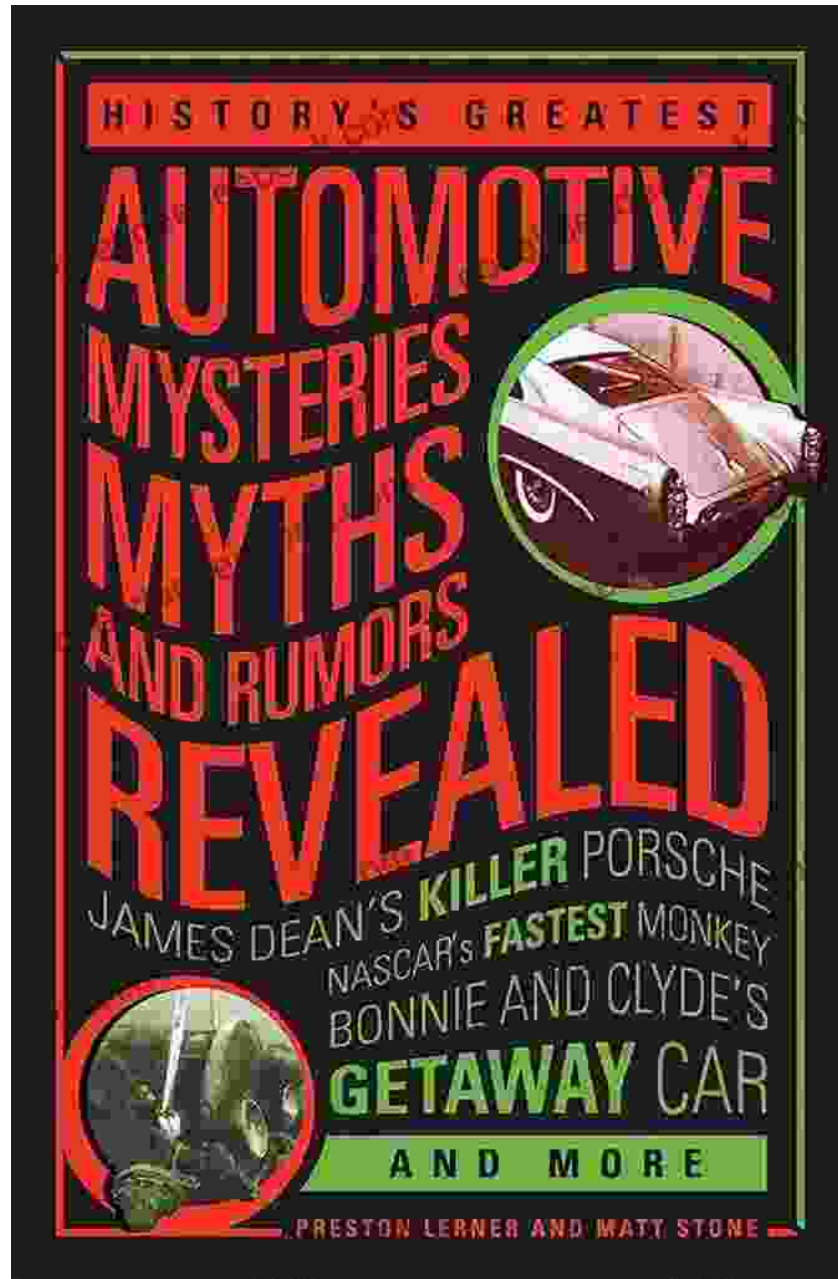
The Tucker Torpedo was a revolutionary car designed by Preston Tucker in the 1940s. The car was said to be capable of speeds up to 120 mph and had a number of advanced features, including a rear-mounted engine and a futuristic design. However, only 51 Tucker Torpedos were ever built before the company went bankrupt. The car became the subject of much speculation and myth, with many people believing that it was a hoax or that it was capable of much more than it actually was.



A 1948 Tucker Torpedo.

The Rumor of the Ford Pinto's Exploding Gas Tank

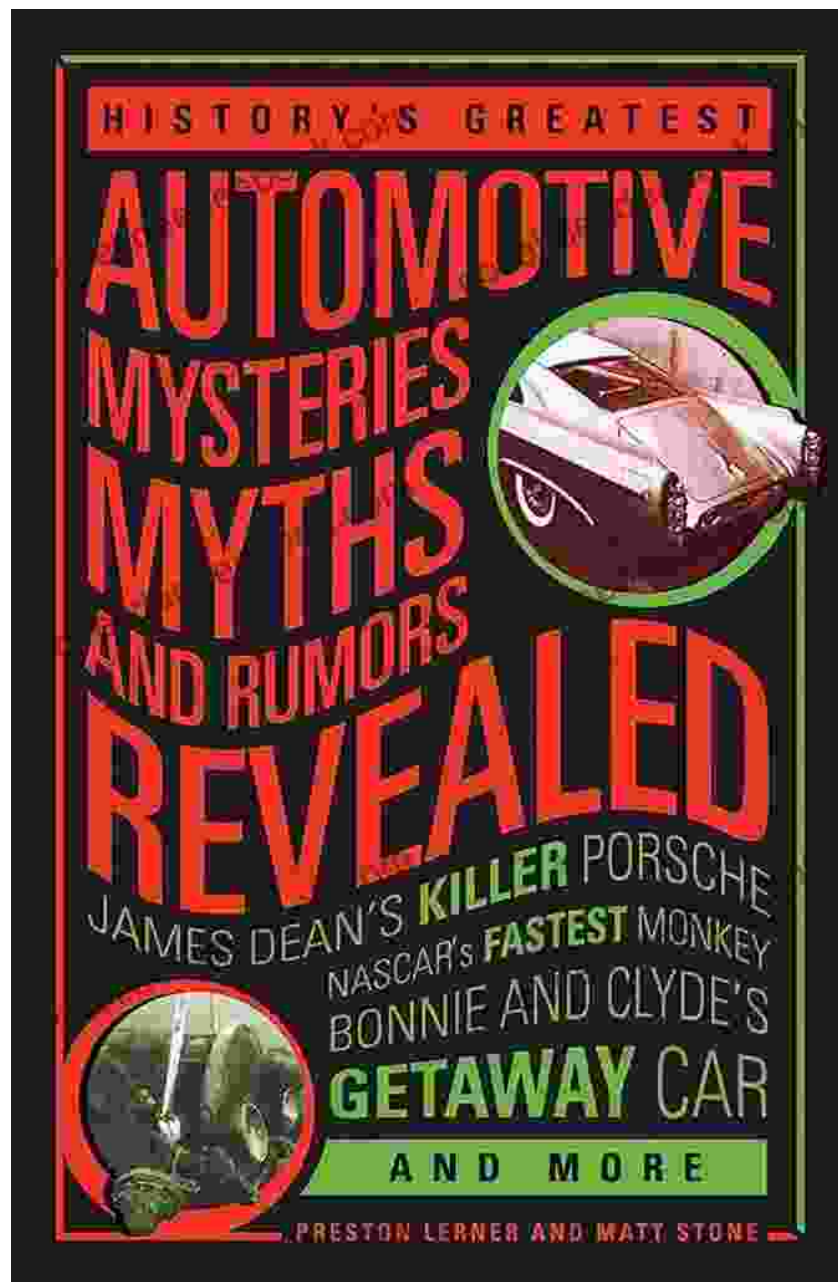
In the 1970s, there was a rumor that the Ford Pinto's gas tank was prone to exploding in rear-end collisions. This rumor was based on a few isolated incidents, but it quickly spread and became a major scandal. Ford recalled over 1 million Pintos and eventually paid out millions of dollars in damages. However, the company has always maintained that the Pinto's gas tank was not inherently defective.



The Mystery of the GM EV1

The GM EV1 was an electric car produced by General Motors from 1996 to 1999. The car was leased to customers in California and Arizona, but it was never sold outright. In 2003, GM recalled all of the EV1s and crushed them. The company claimed that it was doing this because the cars were not

profitable, but many people believe that GM was actually trying to suppress the development of electric vehicles.



A 1996 GM EV1.

The Myth of the Volkswagen Beetle's Nazi Origins

The Volkswagen Beetle is one of the most popular cars in history. It was designed by Ferdinand Porsche in the 1930s and was originally intended to be a "people's car" for Nazi Germany. However, the Beetle was not actually produced until after the war, and it was not designed with the Nazis in mind. The myth of the Beetle's Nazi origins is based on the fact that it was designed by Porsche, who was a member of the Nazi Party. However, there is no evidence that the Beetle was ever used for any military purposes.



The Rumor of the Audi 5000's Unintended Acceleration

In the 1980s, there was a rumor that the Audi 5000 was prone to unintended acceleration. This rumor was based on a few isolated incidents, but it quickly spread and became a major scandal. Audi recalled over

500,000 5000s and eventually paid out millions of dollars in damages. However, the company has always maintained that the 5000's acceleration system was not defective.

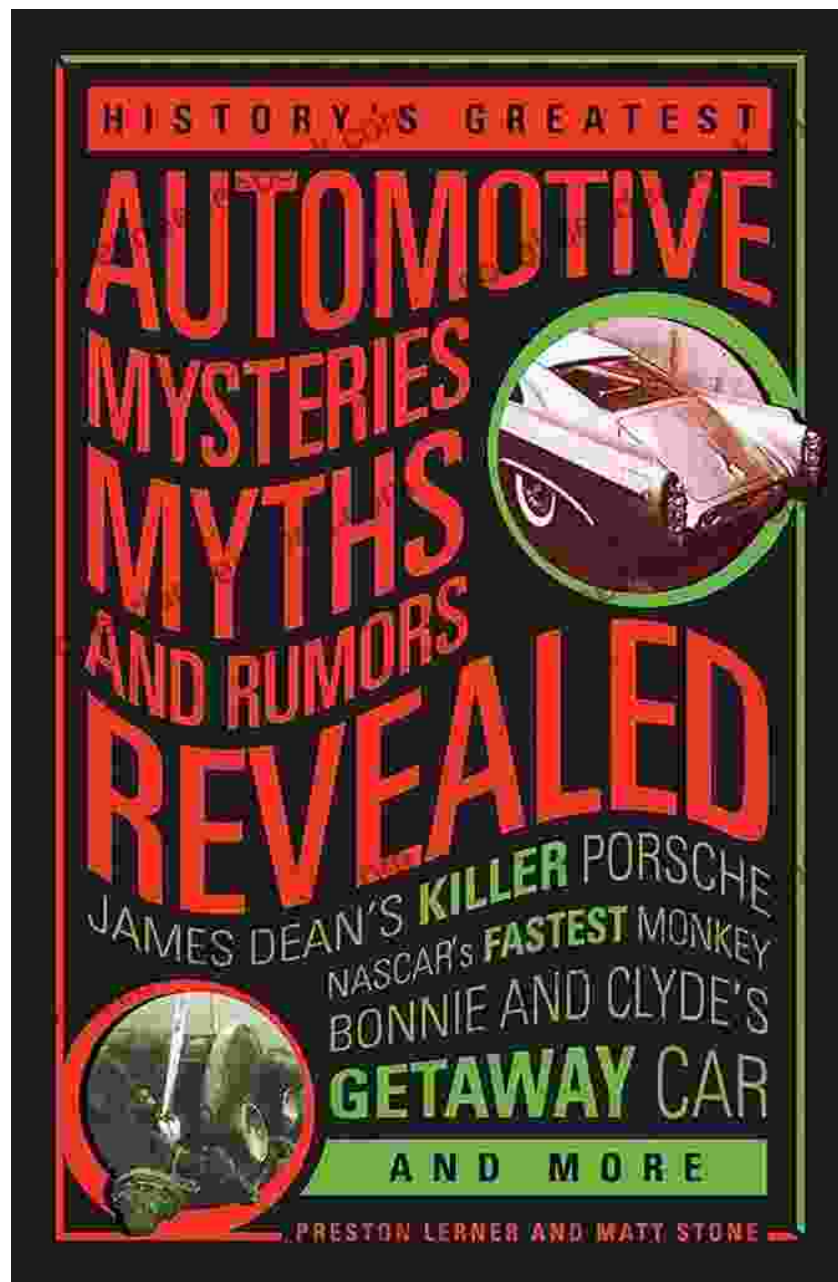


A 1983 Audi 5000.

The Mystery of the DeLorean DMC-12

The DeLorean DMC-12 is a sports car that was produced by the DeLorean Motor Company in the 1980s. The car was designed by Giorgetto Giugiaro and was intended to be a futuristic and stylish vehicle. However, the DeLorean DMC-12 was plagued with problems from the start. The company went bankrupt in 1982, and only about 9,000 cars were ever

produced. The DeLorean DMC-12 has become a cult classic, but it is also one of the most mysterious cars in history.



The Myth of the Tesla Model S Plaid's Insanely Fast Acceleration

The Tesla Model S Plaid is an electric car that is known for its incredibly fast acceleration. The car can go from 0 to 60 mph in under 2 seconds. However, there is a myth that the Model S Plaid's acceleration is not

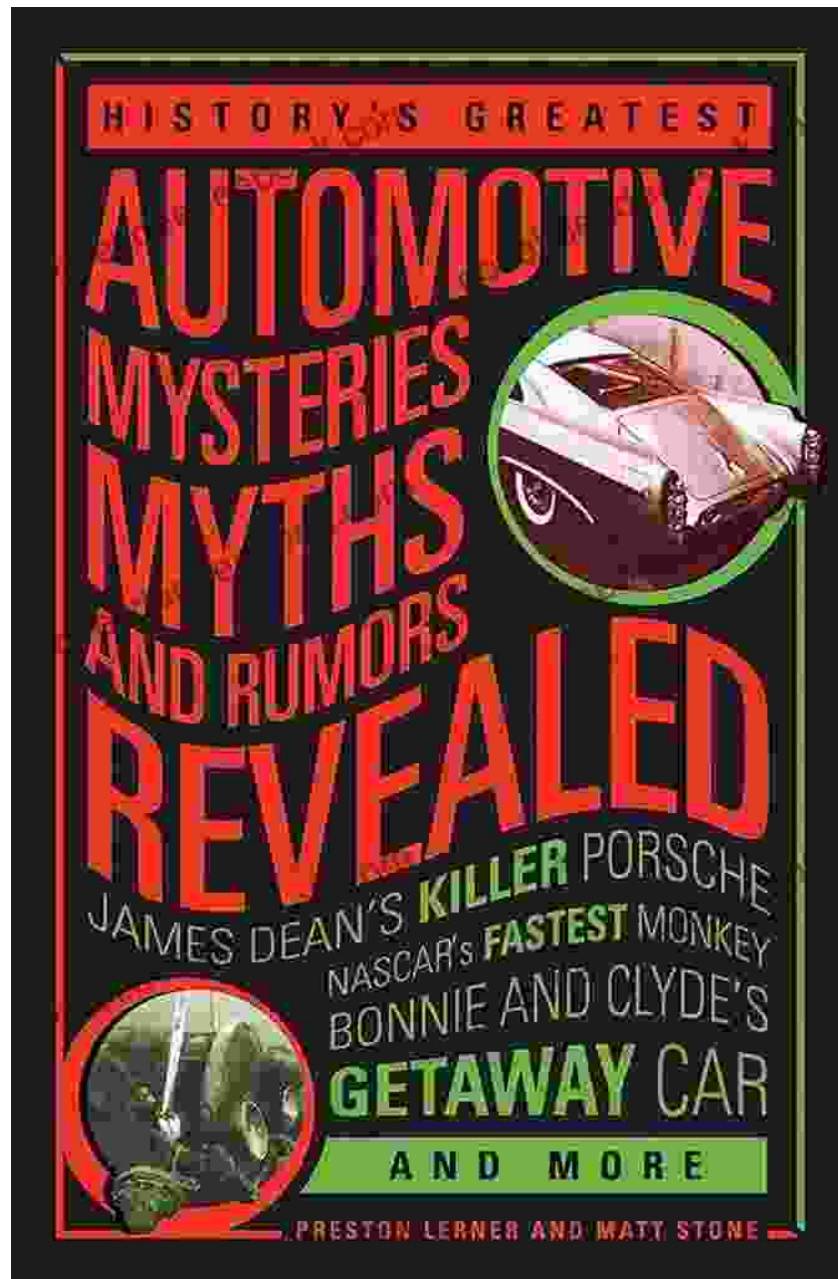
actually as fast as it seems. This myth is based on the fact that the car's acceleration is not linear. The Model S Plaid's acceleration is very fast at low speeds, but it gradually tapers off at higher speeds. As a result, the car's 0-60 mph time is not as impressive as it seems when you look at the car's overall acceleration curve.



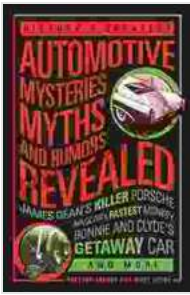
A 2021 Tesla Model S Plaid.

The Rumor of the Toyota Camry's Unreliable Transmission

The Toyota Camry is one of the most popular cars in the United States. It is known for its reliability and durability. However, there is a rumor that the Camry's transmission is unreliable. This rumor is based on a few isolated incidents, but it has quickly spread and become a major concern for some consumers. Toyota has denied that there is a problem with the Camry's transmission, but the rumor has persisted.



These are just a few of the many automotive mysteries, myths, and rumors that have captivated car enthusiasts for generations. Some of these stories are true, while others are based on superstition or misinformation. Regardless of their veracity, these stories are a testament to the enduring fascination that



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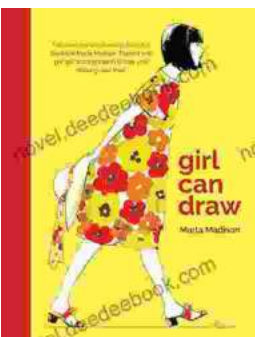
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