



LUKE BYRNE'S • 2000 PORSCHE CARRERA

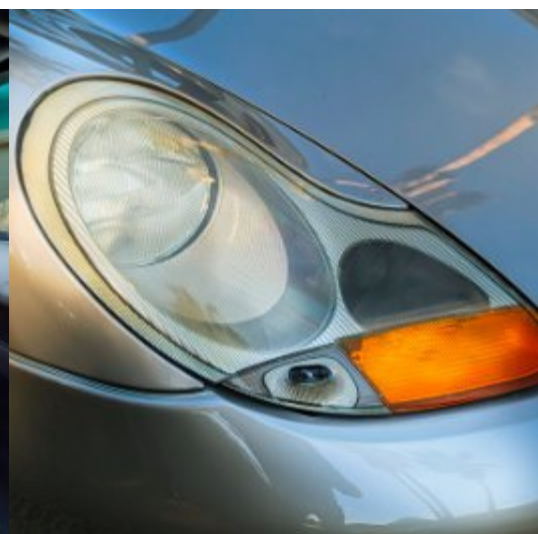
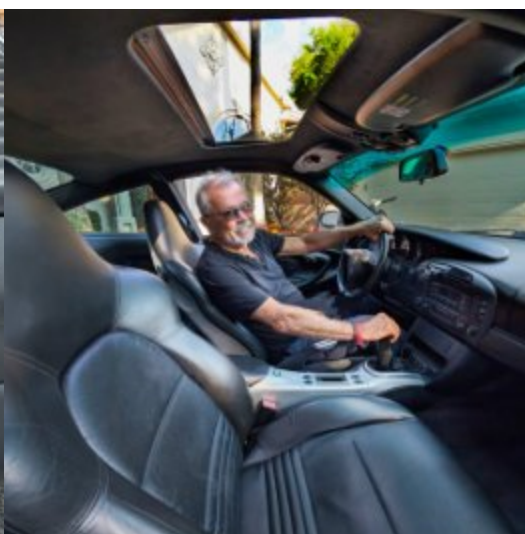
What year and make is your car, and what attracted you to it? It's a 2000 Porsche Carrera C2 996. I was attracted by the classic lines of a now Vintage Porsche, its performance and the ability to corner.

Can you tell us about the history and original use of your car? I bought some 20 years ago, then let it sit with little use for some five years having lost 2nd gear and needing additional work! I finally sent it in for some major work and it came back like new and a *fun ride*. The down side was you could buy a new compact car with that shop bill!

out on my own to experience out of the way golf courses. Nothing like rolling up on an out of the way muni in a classic 911!

What do you do to maintain it and keep it running well? Porsches are not easy to drive but they can be a boat load of fun! Having six speeds gives you lots of options.

Do you participate in any classic car clubs or organizations, any events or shows? I belong to a Porsche 996 group which helps with advice, etc. No events, as that's not my bag. One friend came by with



How did you acquire it? From a guy in Miami who'd tracked the car, blew the engine and replaced it.

Have you restored or customized the car, and if so, can you tell us about the process? Lots of mechanical restoration: rebuilding the transmission, clutch, differential, suspension, plugs, seals, oil, filters (there are seven) plus a ton of other stuff!

How often do you drive your classic, and where do you take it for drives? As often as possible especially when playing golf with MP groups at golf courses throughout the area. Sometimes I just put the clubs in the car with a weekend bag and head

his new mid-engine Corvette only to comment, 'What a classic shape!' and 'Like a piece of art!'

Are there any unique features or quirks about the car that you enjoy? And ones you don't? The best experience is driving it on a controlled track at high speed, knowing the car can handle it!

What is your favorite memory or experience with your car, and what do you love most about owning it? The Porsche is one of eight ways I have of going to have coffee and a bagel at the best coffee shop in our town, Spring Park Coffee. The owner has more than once said leave the old Vespa out front it attracts people...my **other** classic ride!

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