

# CLASSIC DRIVER

## [We would buy this Lancia 037 Stradale just for its corduroy seats](#)

### Lead

Of all the homologation cars of the Group B era, the Lancia 037 Stradale is probably the one we desire the most, especially if it comes with a set of chocolate brown corduroy seats that go oh-so-well with its trademark lipstick red paint.



What makes the Group B era so fascinating from today's point of view is not just the game-changing performance of its fire-spitting rally monsters, but also the styling – from the shades and sideburns of the drivers to the liveries and design details of the cars. Just take a closer look at [this 1982 Lancia 037 Stradale](#), certainly one of the greatest homologation specials of the time. Designed by Lancia, Abarth, and Pininfarina, the 350 hp lightweight wonder claimed the World Rally Championship title in 1983 as the last rear-driven car to do so. The Stradale version shared the aggressive silhouette, well-balanced mid-engine layout, and clamshell body with its WRC-winning brothers, but what strikes us even more is its interior: just look at those chocolate-coloured corduroy seats with their bright red piping that pair perfectly with the minimalist dashboard and Abarth steering wheel of the car.





Imagine taking this car around Milan or Turin in the early 1980s, causing a stir wherever you stop for a quick espresso and cigarette in your tailored Gucci suit, before heading off to put down the pedal on some twisted mountain roads. Unfortunately, there is still no time machine to send us back into the ultimate era of cool – but [this 1982 Lancia 037 Stradale for sale with Speedart Motorsports in Miami](#) comes pretty close.

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