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Le Mans-winner in action

Sixteen years since it last raced at Silverstone, the iconic Porsche 911 GT1 '98 has returned to the world-renowned track in Northamptonshire.



The 911 GT1 '98: This particular Porsche holds a very special place in the heart of the Stuttgart sports car company and race fans around the world, as it is the actual winning car from the 1998 Le Mans 24 Hours – and scored the most recent of the unrivalled tally of 16 outright victories achieved by Porsche in the famous French endurance racing event.

Since the 1998 Le Mans race, the victorious GT1 '98 has been part of the Porsche Museum collection in Stuttgart. However, as part of the 'Rolling Museum' it spends little time dormant for it keeps active participating at events around the world such as the Goodwood Festival of Speed and Silverstone Classic. Here, Porsche works driver Brendon Hartley was now behind the wheel of the GT1 '98 in the '90s GT Legends' demonstration.



Brendon Hartley, 911 GT1 '98

Brendon (24) from New Zealand scored a podium finish at Silverstone on the debut of the Porsche Team in the World Endurance Championship (WEC) in April, when together with his teammates Mark Webber (AUS) and Timo Bernhard (D), he finished third in the Silverstone Six Hours race. Now, he came back – and had fun, as he commented on twitter: “Big thanks for bringing the GT1 98 all the way from the museum–Silverstone so I could have a play :)”

The coming months will see further Porsche highlights at various events including the ‘Classics at the Castle’ in Hedingham, Essex (7 September), Goodwood Revival (12 – 14 September) and the Brands Hatch Porsche Club Festival (20 September).

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