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Restored 911 combines heritage and fashion

Teddy Santis, founder and creative director of the popular New York fashion label Aimé Leon Dore (ALD), has collaborated with Porsche in restoring a 911 Carrera 4 (type 964). The unique car is the product of months of primary design research, including Santis' visits to the Porsche Museum and 911 assembly line in Stuttgart.



The centerpiece of the vehicle restoration is a fully custom interior, featuring Schott sunflower leather and Loro Piana houndstooth, the same materials highlighted in Aimé Leon Dore's Fall/Winter 2020 collection. Rich top-grain leather wraps the dashboard, steering wheel and door panels, while the reverse suede side of the leather covers the headliner and sunroof.

A rear ducktail pays homage to the classic design of the 911 Carrera RS 2.7. The Cup 2 wheels are a nod to Porsche in the 1990s. A graphic Pegasus detail above the front wheel, designed specifically for this project, references logos from historic Porsche racing cars. "Working together with Porsche on this project has been a dream come true. It has been a deeply humbling experience to be entrusted with a project of such importance to the Porsche community and to work together on a design that has been so instrumental in shaping my own outlook and aspirations," says Teddy Santis.

Finally, a custom-designed grille badge sits on the vehicle's rear grille, referencing the distinctive memorabilia created and collected by fans from the Porsche clubs. The technical restoration and reassembly of the vehicle were completed using period-correct original Porsche parts and with support from Porsche Classic.

"Teddy Santis is as much a Porsche fan as we are, and we are delighted to see his inspiration and creativity applied to the 911. His interpretation is visually stunning and also shows unique features for a 964 – it's a true one-of-a kind," says Kjell Gruner, Vice President Marketing at Porsche AG.

Aimé Leon Dore is a fashion and lifestyle brand founded in 2014 and based in Queens, New York. The focus is on streetwear in a simple yet powerful design.

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