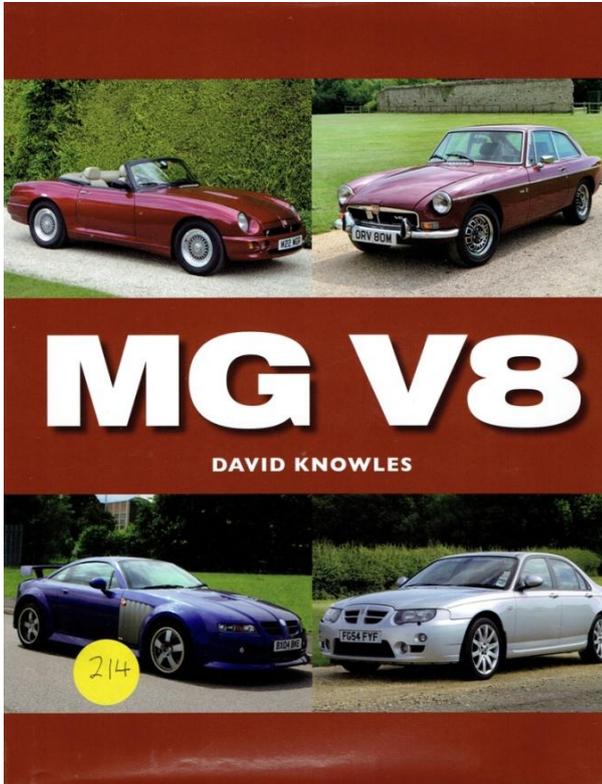


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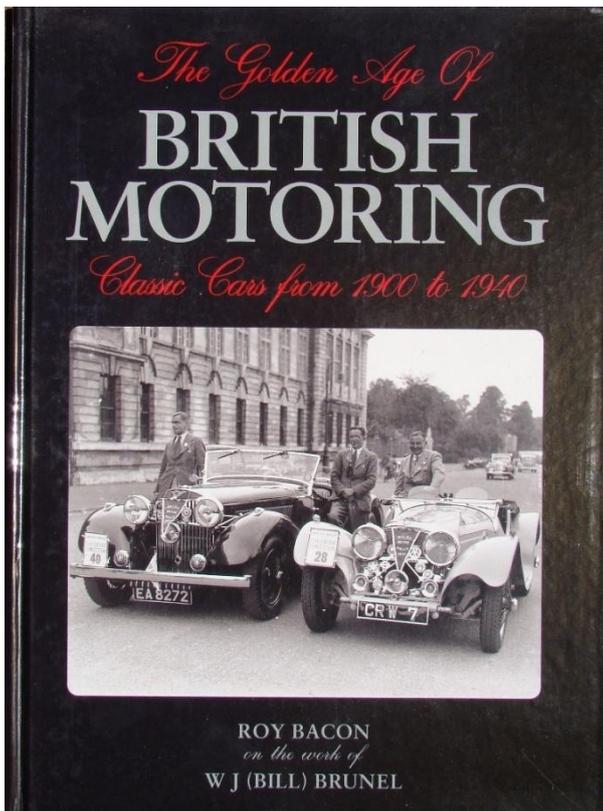
Written by **David Knowles**, one of the foremost MG historians of his generation, this information packed book tells the stories of some of the most exciting and powerful MG cars ever.

Springing from the combination of a standard MG sports car and an anglicized American Buick engine opportunisticly engineered by Ken Costello the MGB V8 was "adopted" by Abingdon's own engineers and went on to become one of the most potent cars of the MG marque.

An earlier book by **David Knowles** only covered the cars up to and including the launch of the MG RV8 (by the Rover Group), and the subsequent twenty years have seen some fascinating MG V8 developments.

The sale of the Rover Group in 2000 to a consortium of British businessmen started the most remarkable and exotic diversion in the MG V8 history with the creation and development of the Ford V8-powered MGZT and the supercar-chasing MG XPower SV family launched in 2002. This book tells for the first time the complete and in-depth story of these remarkable V8 powered MG's.

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The Golden Age of British Motoring is a fascinating photographic record of motoring in Britain and Europe in the first half of the 20th century, with particular emphasis on the years between the two world wars.

The pictures are the work of W.J. (Bill) Brunel a highly professional photographer as well as enthusiastic and successful rally driver of that era. His photographs perfectly capture the mood and spirit of the time.

The words of the author Roy Bacon together with Bill Brunel's pictures present an unashamedly nostalgic look at the motor cars of the period - the Austin Seven, MG, Talbot, Rolls-Royce among others, plus the people who drove them and the social and sporting events at which both the cars and their owners were important participants.

This book is a great addition to the club library.

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