



**1955 PORSCHE TYPE 597 JAGDWAGEN  
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After car production normalized in Stuttgart in the early 1950s, Porsche began to search out additional volume opportunities. When the Bundeswehr announced it wanted to procure German-built "jeeps," Porsche launched the Jagdwagen project in December 1953. Its design had roots in the Porsche-designed WW II Kübelwagen and Schwimmwagen. The Jagdwagen had a Porsche-type chassis and motor and 4WD developed off earlier Porsche military designs and the Type 360 Cisitalia grand prix car. Only 71 were ever built as prototypes for military testing and a few civilian sales as sports/all-terrain vehicles.

This Jagdwagen was Ferry Porsche's personal car at his farm at Zell am See until he gave it to Wendell Fletcher, the American Porsche motor licensee and sponsor of the 1953-54 Carrera Panamericana 550 Spyders.

1582 cc            50 horsepower DIN    2130 pounds  
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