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1953 Motto-bodied MG TD Sport Speciale

You can be forgiven for glancing at this yellow racer and thinking 'Ferrari', because two Italians originally built it. Rocco Motto of Carrozzeria Motto Coachworks and Gilberto Columbo of Gilco Design turned an American's idea into reality. The idea came from Dave Ash of New York-based Inskip Motors, who was convinced a lightweight bodied MG TD could beat OSCA's MT4 and Porsche's 550 Spyder. He was right too – one of the three Motto MGs finished fifth in class, ahead of both rivals, at the 1954 Sebring 12-hours.

Jason Wenig and his team at The Creative Workshop has just finished restoring this Motto MG. See photos of the restoration at www.thecreativeworkshop.com