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BIG MOMENTS

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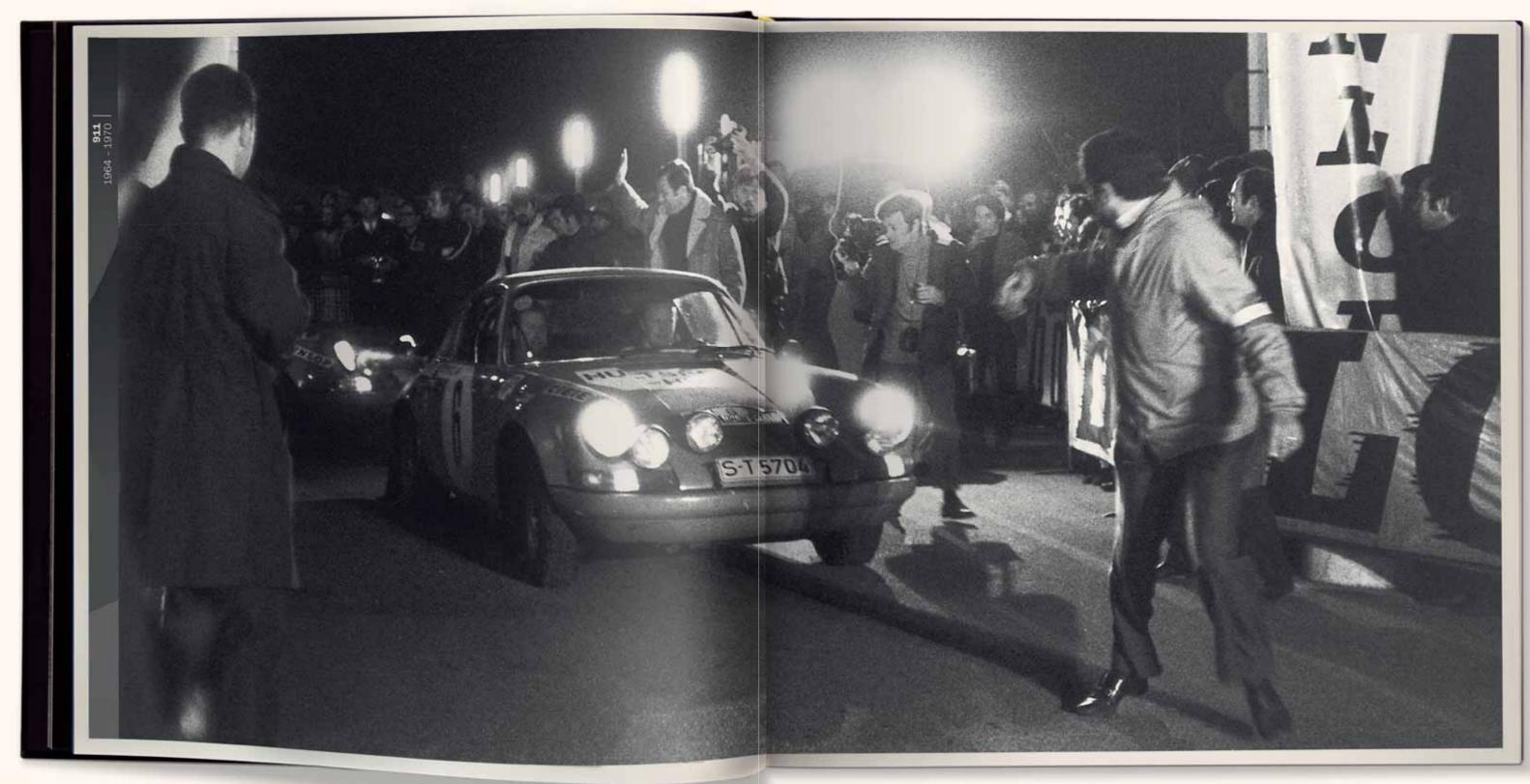
A Porsche seems made for big moments.

This imaginary almanac records big points and big moments in the 911's career over the years.

Moments never to be forgotten. Living history.

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Always on the go: in 1967, Vic Elford and David Stone masterfully steer their 911 S to victory at the Franco-German Lyon/Charbonnières— Stuttgart/Solitude Rally. ▲ CHRISTOPHORUS | **352** CHRISTOPHORUS | **352** ▲





Hands up, trophies up:
Swedish driver Björn Waldegaard
celebrates his first Monte Carlo
Rally victory in 1969, four years
after the first Porsche started in
the Maritime Alps.

1970

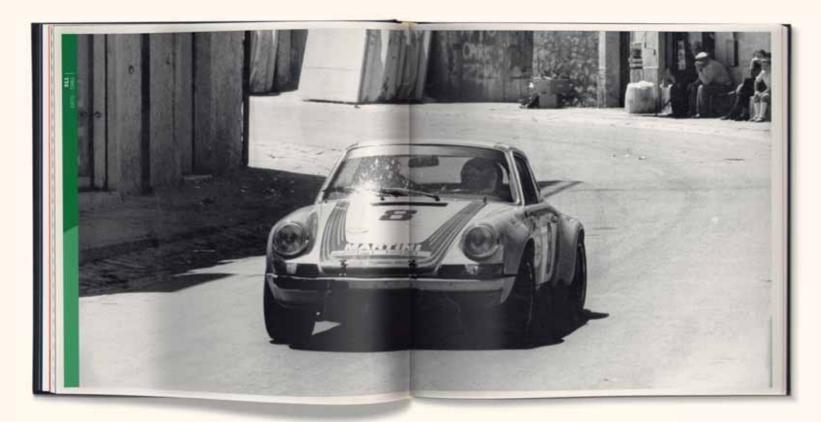
Night lights:
Björn Waldegaard and Lars
Helmer in the 911 S 2.3 Coupé
not only conquer the Col de
Turini in 1970, but also win
the Monte Carlo Rally.

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A SINGLE MOMENT

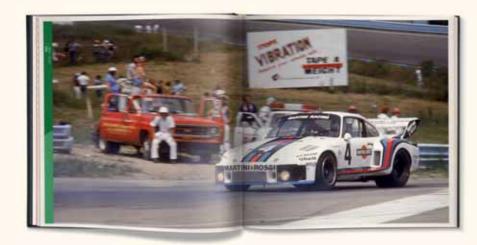
It makes no difference if they are driving through snow, on asphalt, or over desert sands:

Porsche drivers and sports cars are always ready to make history. And it is only by
attempting the impossible that they can hope to leave their mark on racing history and
preserve a moment in time for all eternity. In other words: big moments.



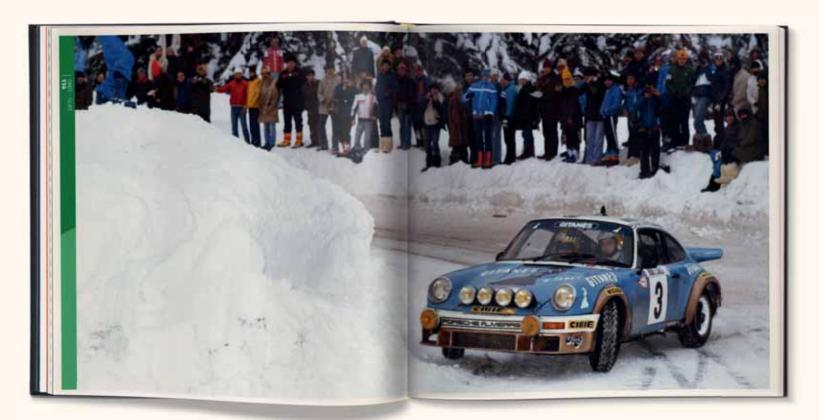
1973

A truly historic moment in stages: seated in their Porsche Carrera RSR, Gijs van Lennep and codriver Herbert Müller win Sicily's Targa Florio rally in 1973. At the time, this great legendary circuit on the Italian island in the Mediterranean Sea is part of the World Championship Series. There is no stopping the Dutchman and his Swiss codriver; they rarely lose contact with the road, and leave the competition in the dust. Always one step ahead. No need to ask: they've earned a spot in rally history.



1976

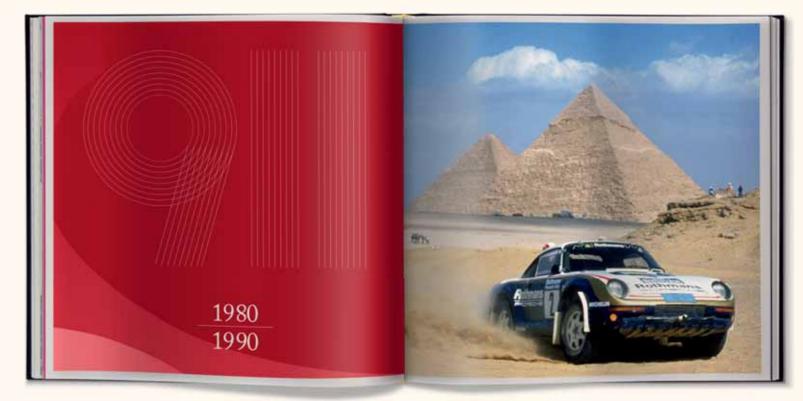
Made in Germany: the 935 earns Porsche its first Manufacturers' World Championship. Watkins Glen (USA) is the setting for Rolf Stommelen and Manfred Schurti's triumph.



1978

A veritable "turning moment," a moment in which it is essential to keep one's cool. The order of the day in the French Maritime Alps: drifting to whatever the tires yield. "Snowcat" Jean-Pierre Nicolas holds the key to success at the 1978 Monte Carlo Rally. With assistance

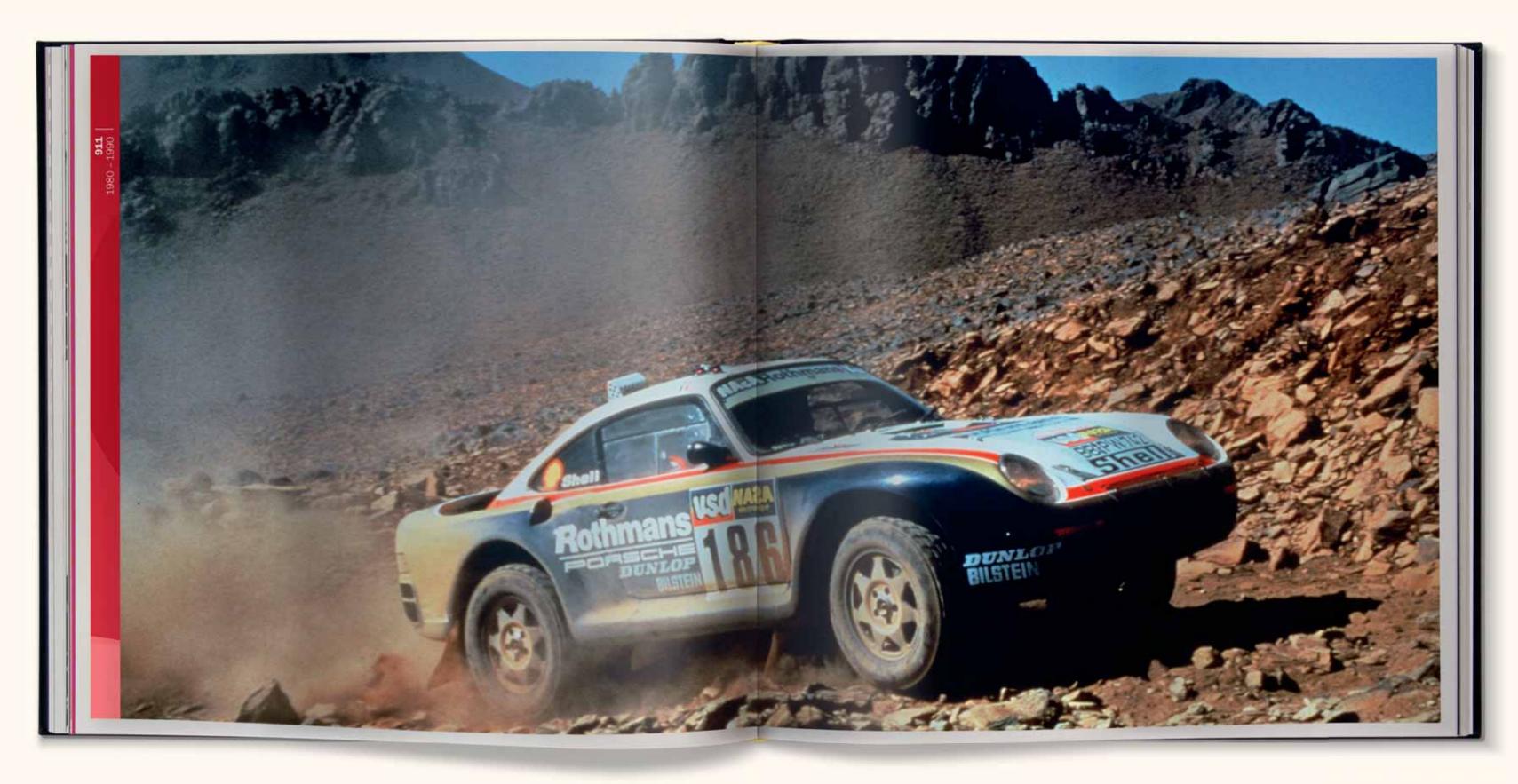
from codriver Vincent Laverne, the local hero guides the Porsche 911 Carrera to a sweeping victory. The moment that makes the difference: driving the wheels in the right-hand bend to the left. That calls for an expert, an expert who knows when to let go.



1985

Desert foxes at the world-renowned pyramids of Giza: following a hot start, Saeed Al Hajri and John Spiller win the 1985 Pharaohs Rally in Cairo.

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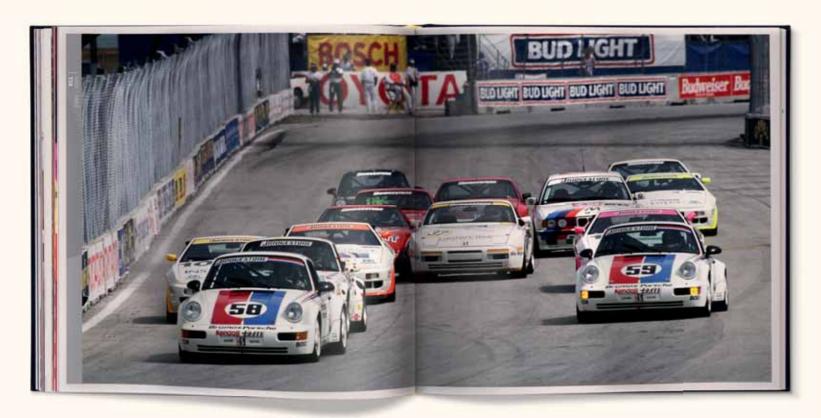


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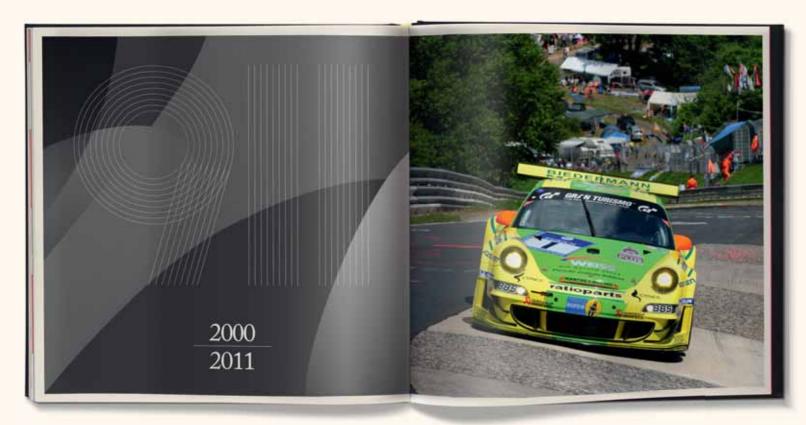
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Cross-country terrain: in 1986, French drivers René Metge and Dominique Lemoyne, in a Porsche 959, emerge victorious at the formidable Paris–Dakar Rally.

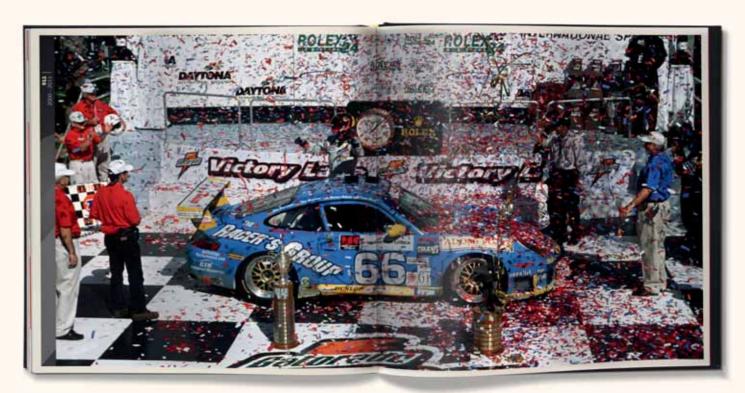
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Surfin' USA: in 1992, Porsche's 911 Turbo 3.3 sports cars thrill North American fans at the IMSA races.
The motto of the 911: Always lead the pack.



Green lights ahead for the "Green Hell": in 2009, after 24 hours, Timo Bernhard, Marc Lieb, Romain Dumas, and Marcel Tiemann are up front.



A shower of confetti: in 2003, the Porsche drivers and their 911 GT3 RS take Daytona Beach by storm. And who are the heroes? Jörg Bergmeister and Timo Bernhard. The duo wins the legendary 24 Hours of Daytona.