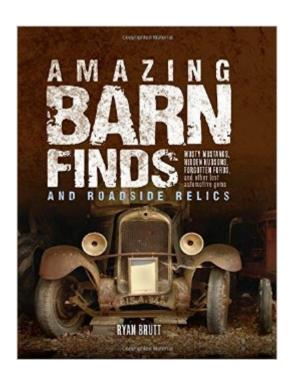
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# Amazing Barn Finds And Roadside Relics: Musty Mustangs, Hidden Hudsons, Forgotten Fords, And Other Lost Automotive Gems





## **Synopsis**

Discover the allure of forgotten cars. Something that to the rest of the world is nothing but a forgotten automotive hulk slowly degenerating into a pile of iron oxide is to the car enthusiast something so much more. Like those who restore Victorian homes or antique furniture, car guys see not a decrepit piece of junk, but a desirable object that "just needs some attention." And should the vehicle abandoned in a field or lying in a creek bed be too far gone to resurrect, car enthusiasts can simply enjoy it for what it once was (while lamenting that it has come to such a sad end). Finding a lost, restorable car is every auto collector's dream! Amazing Barn Finds and Roadside Relics taps into the thrill of the hunt with hundreds of photos of lost cars - each accompanied by detailed information covering the nature of the find and details about the car. Ride along as author Ryan Brutt, the "automotive archaeologist," travels the United States documenting lost and abandoned automotive gems.

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#### Customer Reviews

I had the pleasure of working with Ryan at the MCACN show in Chicago last week and purchased his last two copies. I read it today, an excellent collection of stories and photos, sometimes breaking your heart to see a lovely car lost to nature, but i can understand an owner realising they can't get another thus keeping it regardless, sad thought the result often is. There were amazing photos from the collections of folks who had unbelievably large numbers of cars, but, as he says, if you treat people with courtesy, they'll often show you around their properties and sheds- blows your mind what folks have. I'd like to believe that car folks have the first opportunity to purchase salvageable

vehicles from an estate, leaving the un-restoreable vehicles for the recycler. Well done Ryan, I look forward to your future books.

A really great book! Full of interesting stories and fascinating pictures. A must-have for any self respecting car enthusiast. It actually inspired me to get out and do a little work on my '72 Dodge Dart.

Fun and entertaining book with impressive photography. Bought one for my husband and one as a Christmas present. The quality of the pages and the hardcover make it an awesome gift. Ryanâ Â<sup>TM</sup>s passion for barn finds and photography is apparent as you page through this book. It seems like youâ Â<sup>TM</sup>re along on his adventures as he goes to the next town. Looking forward to seeing where 2016 takes him in the next volume!

This book was the culmination of Ryan's search for automotive treasure, and relays in both images and text some of his experiences. Focusing primarily on musclecars, these are the kinds of expeditions so many enthusiasts would like to make and never do because of time or discouragement. It brought back memories of junkyard crawling when I was younger, and more recently, a couple of simplar jaunts I had made personally with my then-teenage son. Ryan gives tips on how to politely find out more about cars you see as well an some of the charactors he met on his journey. Got a coffee table in your mancave? This one belongs on it...

They always say every car has a story, and every picture is worth a thousand words. Ryan's book captivates your imagination and let's you conjure up decades worth of imagery and stories associated with some of these unbelievable finds. If you want to get a sense on the cars that are left hidden away in America, you can see it all through the lens of Ryan's camera, and with this book, feed your imagination with the short stories he has discovered on each car. Let the Automotive Archaeologist take you on a journey across America without ever having to leave the confines of your man-cave-..or- Hop in a car and grab your camera, and venture out on your own! This is my new favorite coffee table book!

Great book! I have enjoyed living vicariously through Ryan's explorations. I have met a few gruff, grouchy people when I stopped to ask about a relic rotting away, so I can appreciate the time, effort, and chutzpah it takes to collect an entire book of photos and their associated stories. I feel like this

is the actual state if most old cars...not the polished perfection you see at the organized car shows. The original paint, the patina, the 'Day 2' improvements, and the imperfections all tell a story and pique the imagination. An enjoyable read!

the worst by far of all the "barn find" books published! mostly pics of derelict mopar relics with no real story. the cover by-line of "musty mustangs, hidden hudsons, forgotten fords, and other lost automotive gems" was completely misleading. i can appreciate that the author is a mopar guy, but just say so rather than attempting to appeal to a larger audience. a failed attempt at joining the tom cotter club.

I always looked forward to his exciting car finds in magazines such as Hot Rod and Musclecar Review. This book gives an in depth look at his great photography and barn find adventures. The book is of the highest quality with thick pages and plenty of content. It has a great layout and is well organized and keeps leading you on to see what is on the next page with some great muscle car finds of all makes. Unlike the cover suggests, the focus is on musclecars which makes it 5 stars in my book.

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