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DRIVING YOUR PORSCHE THIS WINTER OR STORING IT?

Answering this question will most likely depend on where you live and what you drive. You may be the type to drive your Porsche year round regardless of your winter climate. If you're in a snow and salt area and planning to store your Porsche for the winter there are some important things you'll need to do. If you're lucky enough to live in a milder, snow and salt free climate there is little you'll need to do

Saying goodbye to your baby while it quietly hibernates is hard enough for a Porsche owner. So don't make it any harder by making some common mistakes that will "spring" up when she comes out of hibernation.

Mistake #1: Forgetting to over-inflate your tires. At best, this will leave you with flat spot. At worst, you'll need a new set of tires. DON'T go over the maximum pressure recommendation for your particular tires. A good Porsche tire gauge will help. Makes a nice Christmas present too

Mistake #2: Forgetting to disconnect the battery or connect a trickle charger (another great Christmas present if one isn't already in your garage). Nothing will be more disappointing then going to start your baby for that nice spring drive and the battery is dead.

Mistake #3: Forgetting to use a fuel additive (Griot's Garage has one along with lots of other great Christmas gift ideas). Condensation in the fuel system will lead to nothing but trouble.

Mistake #4: Forgetting about your coolant lines. If your baby is air-cooled you don't need to worry. But for those with water in the veins, a Corrosion Inhibitor is essential. It's like a fuel additive for your

coolant. It will prevent corrosion from developing in your radiator and coolant lines.

Mistake #5: Forgetting to reduce your insurance coverage. Be sure to talk to your agent before you make any changes, but if you're not going to be driving your baby you can remove or reduce a significant amount of your coverage. You really only need to carry "comprehensive" while your baby is hibernating.

These are just a few of the costly mistakes that can be made when putting your Porsche into hibernation. So if you're baby is going to take a nap for a few months make sure you put her to bed properly. You can check out the 10 Easy Steps to winterize your Porsche. Ensure your baby is in tip-top shape while she naps.

I forewent putting in the winter driving tips since we "normally" don't experience snow in the Lowcountry. But of course you may brave it and venture to the northern climate then make sure you check out the winter driving tips provided from the Porsche Camp4 Driving School.



PANAMERA GTS

Porsche's purest expression of a sports sedan with a clear focus on performance can only be one vehicle, the Panamera GTS. The GTS is based on the 4S but includes more power, upgraded brakes and a body lowered by ten millimeters with a new sportier chassis tuning coupled to air suspension and Porsche Active Suspension Management. These modifications will make the Panamera more capable of cutting it on the track without sacrificing practicality.

In terms of looks the GTS will include distinctive design features at the front, side and rear as well as black highlights. The interior is tailored to its sporty personality with adaptive sports seats, Sport Design steering wheel and shift paddles and exclusive GTS leather with Alcantara surfaces.

The GTS will be powered by a modified 4.8-liter naturally aspirated V8 engine, capable of delivering 430 hp at 6,700 rpm. This is an increase over the S and 4S by 30 hp. Maximum torque increases from 369 to 384 lb.ft. At the push of a button, due to the standard Sport Chrono package, the 7-speed Porsche Doppelkupplungsgetriebe (PDK) transmission transmits the engine output to the all-wheel drive system during gear changes without interruption to the power flow. This enables the GTS to sprint to 60mph in 4.3 seconds with a top track speed of 178 mph.

Five millimeter wheel spacers between the wheel and the wheel hubs increase the rear axle track width, giving the GTS even more stability. The required grip is provided by standard 255/45 size 19-inch tires on the front and 285/40 on the rear. Optional are 20-inch wheels with 255/40 on the front and 295/35 on the rear.

Deceleration is provided by the braking system from the Turbo, which includes larger diameter front brake rotors than on the S/4S. Like other Porsche models optional Porsche Ceramic Composite Brakes featuring brake calipers finished in yellow are available.



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ORIGIN OF THE CANDY CANE

Because of the commercialization of Christmas the origin of the candy cane has long been forgotten. It has just become another symbol of the Christmas season. Its humble origin lost until now.



The symbol of the shepherd's crook is an ancient one. It represents the humble shepherds who were the first to worship the newborn Christ. Notice the candy canes resemblance to it.

Legend is that in 1670, the choirmaster of the Cologne Cathedral handed out sugar sticks to his young singers to keep them quiet during the long Living Crèche ceremony. In honor of the occasion they were bent into the shepherds' crook. In 1847, a German-Swedish immigrant named August Imgard, living in Wooster, OH, decorated a small blue spruce tree with paper ornaments and candy canes.

Not until the turn of the century did the red and white stripes and peppermint flavors become the norm for the candy cane. The body of the cane is white, which represents the life that is pure. The broad red stripes symbolize the Lord's sacrifice for man.

Bob McCormack began making candy canes as special Christmas treats for his children, friends and local shopkeepers in the 1920's in Albany, Georgia. Because of the laborious process of pulling, twisting, cutting and bending the candy by hand they could only be made on a local scale.

In 1950, Bob's brother-in-law, Catholic priest Gregory Keller, invented a machine to automate candy cane production. Because of packaging innovations by the younger McCormack it made it possible for the canes to be transported. This innovation transformed Bob's Candies, Inc. into the largest producer of candy canes in the world.

Modern technology has made the candy cane accessible and plentiful, yet they've not lost their purity and simplicity as a traditional holiday food. Though the most important feature of the candy cane has probably been forgotten it still remains the symbol of the humble roots of Christianity.

This year when you tape that candy cane to a package take a moment and reflect on the true symbolism its shape and what it truly represents. Merry Christmas to all and of course enjoy the candy cane.

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Mille 2011

by Jennifer Mills

I was disappointed that we were unable to make it to this year's Parade in Savannah. I had a glimmer of hope to see lots of Porsches in a fun setting when I saw the description of the Mille 2011 – an attempt at a record number of Porsches parading around at the Atlanta Motor Speedway. Joe and I are used to long registration lines for Auto-crosses and DE events, so we got up early on Saturday morning and headed to the Speedway. There was not much signage, but we spotted another Porsche or 2 and followed them to the parking lot gathering spot. Our early bird efforts paid off with a short line to check in and we parked the car to walk around looking at all the other fine pieces of German engineering. Did I mention it was COLD and WINDY? I saw more 914's together than I think I ever have and saw my first GT2 in person.

After several times of sitting in the car to warm up and walking around to see the cars, it finally looked like we were going to move. After a haphazard departure, we did a short sprint on the public roads outside of the Speedway. We turned into the entrance that took us under the track to the infield. And we stopped again. Check out the cars from a different view while we waited for some stock cars to finish their practice session. The black on black GT3 is beautiful. We also found Charles with his wife's Boxster from

Charleston. And we move again... and flow out on the Atlanta Motor Speedway track. Oh my goodness! We are 4 rows wide, Porsches in front and in back and we are going around the 24 degree banking.... And the PASM says "fail". It is not happy with the banking – the car feels like it is going to flip! And around we go for several laps. You can see the similar reactions of the other drivers and passengers around us.

Finally they slow us down and bunch up the cars for photos. There is a helicopter flying overhead taking photos and everyone is out of the cars standing on the track wall taking pictures. Joe and I switch drivers as they let us start around the track again. I don't know if it's more unnerving to drive or ride on the banking. Afterwards, there were some vendors to visit, a small concurs, and helicopter rides for a fee. In short, it was cool. It could've been better organized. We thought there were supposed to be more laps around the track. But hey, it was amazing to go around the Atlanta Motor Speedway with approximately 240 other Porsches. And on Sunday, we went back through Savannah to see some friends at the Darkside DE at Roebing. We arrived just in time for Parade laps. So we drove/rode on 2 tracks in 2 days - a fun weekend!



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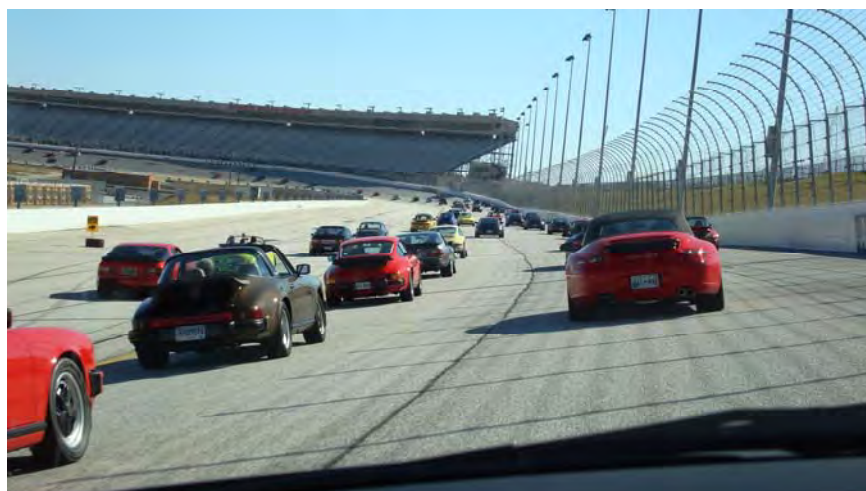
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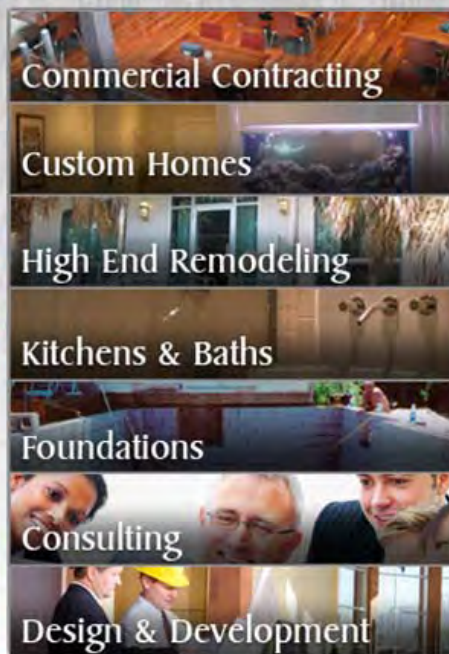
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German Recipe

MARZIPAN (GERMAN CHRISTMAS CANDY)

(Source: <http://www.food-info.net/uk/products/sweets/marzipan.htm>)

Marzipan is a product made of ground almonds, sugar and, when desired, color and flavorings. Plain marzipan derives its characteristic flavor from bitter almonds, which may constitute up to 4% to 6% of total almond content by weight.

Persipan is a similar product, for which the almonds are replaced by apricot or peach kernels. A lot of the cheaper marzipan marketed in December (the main season for marzipan) is actually persipan, or consists of a mixture of almonds and apricot kernels.

Marzipan can be flavored with many different flavors, but historically it was flavored mainly with rose water.

Marzipan is a very versatile product; it is soft and pliable, therefore it can be rolled into sheets, or formed in any other desired shape.

Marzipan rolled into thin sheets is widely used in cakes and is traditionally used in wedding cakes in many countries. In many countries marzipan is shaped into small figures, such as animals (often pigs), fruits and vegetables, balls, sausages, figurines, books etc. Other common uses are marzipan-filled chocolates of different sizes.

Although marzipan can be obtained during the whole year, it is traditionally eaten in European cultures in December (St. Nicholas Day, (December 6), Christmas or New Year's Eve) or during the Carnival season.



Origin

Marzipan most likely originates from the Orient, probably from present-day Iran and dates from at least the 6th or 7th century AD, but it is possibly much older. Marzipan was introduced to Europe during the crusades, or, earlier, through Arab traders

especially in present-day Spain and Sicily.

In medieval times marzipan was known in large areas of Europe, but it was considered an expensive luxury, due to the high sugar content. Sugar was not yet widely available. Marzipan was also considered a medicine and was thus mainly produced by pharmacists in medieval times.

Following the discovery of the New World and the worldwide cultivation of sugar cane, Europe benefited from easier access to sugar than ever before. As a result, confectioners took over the production of marzipan, and transformed the once plain marzipan loaves into works of art by creating hand-modeled shapes and figures.

Marzipan became very popular all over Europe and especially in Spain (around Toledo) and in Germany (Lübeck and Königsberg (now Kaliningrad in Russia)) marzipan was produced in large amounts and high quality. In both Lübeck and Toledo regulations on how much almonds and sugar are to be used in marzipan were developed and marzipan is still made according to these rules. Both Lübecker Marzipan and Mazapán de Toledo have obtained protected status by the EU (Denomination of Origin).



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SOMETHING GERMAN

Nutcrackers !



German folklore says that Nutcrackers were given as keepsakes to bring good luck to your family and protect your home. The legend states that a nutcracker represents power and strength and serves like a trusty watch dog guarding your family from evil spirits and danger. A fierce protector, the nutcracker bares its teeth to the evil spirits and serves as the traditional messenger of good luck and goodwill. Nutcrackers embody the "Cycle of Life." As the seed of a nut fails to the ground, it grows into a strong tree, living over hundreds of years nourishing the woodcutters and woodcrafters. The legends tell of a feast celebrated just before harvesting the logs of the Elder trees, where nuts and fruits were eaten as if to pass on the magic and mystery of this eternal cycle.

Around 1800, craftsmen in the German Erzgebirge began to create the little man we know as the nutcracker with his trim painted uniform and mysterious smile. However, the Erzgebirge nutcracker also took the form of certain authority figures. Monks and the German Kaiser were popular models.

The first commercial production of the German nutcracker originated in Erzgebirge when Wilhelm Fuchtnr, considered the father of the nutcracker, used an efficient lathe to create a large number of nutcrackers in 1872.

Today the Erzgebirge region ships nearly 70 percent of its nutcracker collectibles to American collectors. In addition to its traditional nutcracker soldier, today's mini nutcrackers resemble anything from Abraham Lincoln to a wild pirate. Whether he's cracking nuts or tickling heartstrings with his endearing expressions the nutcracker is a symbol of Germany's Erzgebirge and a beloved collectible all over the world.

So if you don't already one of these wonderful German creates make sure to add one to your Christmas collection this year. There are many internet sites to browse for just the right one. Who knows, you might get lucky and find a Porsche oriented one.

New versus for the Twelve days of Christmas:

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"Keep the pedal to the metal!" Ken



"it's not just the cars, it's the people..."



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- Dec 10 - Myrtle Beach Holiday Party
- Dec 17 - Annual Meeting / Holiday Party
- Jan 7 - Member Planning Meeting @ Land's End Restaurant in Georgetown
- Jan 10 - Monthly Meeting at Vickery's Bar &



The election committee has given me the slate of officer nominations. As of now all positions are uncontested. If you would like to volunteer, please contact an officer as soon as possible to be added to the ballot. The slate is:

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