

Manufacturer	Model	Manufacturer	Model
DATSUN	I 7 Phaeton	NISSAN	Skyline GT-R N1 Endurance

The Datsun Type I 7, released in 1938, was a tough and economical model. The exterior design followed the previous year's Datsun Type I 6, but the thick vertical bar in the center of the front grille was a distinctive feature of the Type I 7. Due to the shortage of pure cotton and pure wool at the time, the interior was finished in a simple manner. One of the vehicles that was previously owned by the Seijo University Automobile Club was able to reacquire its registration through a vehicle inspection in 2022, utilizing a registration number starting with "5," and became eligible to drive on public roads once again.

The revived Skyline GT-R (BNR32 model) in 1989 was deployed for competition in both Group A and Group N from the following year, 1990. The displayed car is the final production unit of the base model "GT-R NISMO," and it was entered in the N1 Endurance race by the then-experimental chief, Koza Watanabe, aiming to improve the evaluation skills of test drivers. The driver lineup consisted of "modern master" Hiroyoshi Kato, Takao Matsumoto, and Yukio Kagayama. In 2022, it underwent a full restoration at the Classic Car Restoration Club.



Manufacturer	Model	Manufacturer	Model
HONDA	RA271	HONDA	T360

Honda announced its entry into the pinnacle of motorsport, Formula 1, in January 1964. It was seen as a daring challenge from the last entrant in the four-wheel vehicle industry, considering that they had only released a light truck and a sports car the previous year. Just seven months after the announcement, Honda made its debut at the German Grand Prix with the self-developed F1 car, the RA271, which was built from the engine to the chassis. However, the results were disappointing, with two retirements out of three races that year. And thus, Honda's journey in Formula 1 began.

Honda's first production four-wheel vehicle was equipped with a water-cooled inline-four DOHC engine, which shared the basic design with the S Series sports cars. With a displacement of 356cc and 30PS, it boasted performance comparable to small passenger cars of the time. The engine was mounted in a midship configuration, delivering remarkably high levels of driving performance that were unexpected for a light truck.

