



Finding Aid for

PANTERA PRODUCTION RECORDS, 1973-1974
Accession 1910

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OVERVIEW

REPOSITORY: Benson Ford Research Center
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1910

CREATOR: Ford Motor Company. Office of the General Counsel.

TITLE: Pantera production records

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1973-1974

QUANTITY: 3.8 cubic ft.

LANGUAGE: The materials are in Italian

ABSTRACT: The Pantera production records contain production assembly records for approximately 1,500 Pantera sports cars.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

- ACCESS RESTRICTIONS:** The collection is open for research
- COPYRIGHT:** Copyright has been transferred to The Henry Ford by the donor. Copyright for some items in the collection may still be held by their respective creator(s).
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HISTORICAL NOTE

Alejandro De Tomaso was born in Argentina in 1928 and moved to Modena, Italy in 1955. He was driver for one of the Maserati race teams before establishing his own high-performance automobile manufacturing company in 1959. In 1969, De Tomaso and Henry Ford II announced a technical agreement between De Tomaso SpA. and Ford Motor Company, and in 1970 Ford purchased 80% of the Italian company. The first model produced by De Tomaso for Ford was the Pantera, which was distributed in the United States by Ford's Lincoln-Mercury dealers through 1974 when the agreement was terminated.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Pantera Production records consist of production assembly records for approximately 1,500 De Tomaso Pantera sports cars built by De Tomaso SpA. between 1973 and 1974. The assembly records contain basic information on individual automobiles including interior and exterior colors, engine number and type, chassis number, suspension, tires, brakes, and any additional equipment installed at the factory. Researchers should note that the assembly records are in Italian and organized by chassis number.

SUBJECT TERMS

Names, Personal and Corporate

Ford Motor Company. Office of the General Counsel.

Subjects

Automobiles--Design and construction

Automobile industry and trade--Italy

De Tomaso automobiles

CONTAINER LIST

Box no.	Description
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Box 1

04917-05137, 1973 (16 folders)

Box 2

06100-06133, 1973 (12 folders)

Box 3

06571-06988, 1973-1974 (14 folders)

Box 4

07002-07299, 1974 (5 folders)

Box 5

07300-07379, 1974 (3 folders)