

THE MOLLSTER

A prize winner

A Springtime shot of my Fiat 500F, The Mollster, parked beside a field of flowering Oilseed Rape near Norwich has won first place in an international photography competition. [See front page]



In November 2016 I entered the photo of my beloved 1970 rosso model for the theme of 'My most beautiful Fiat 500 photo'. The competition was run by Axel Geisl, a German online shop/website which stocks parts for vintage Fiat 500 and 126 models, and had a top prize of a 200€ gift voucher to spend on the site. The winning photo was one of the first photos I had really taken of her and so many people commented on how lovely it was so I decided to enter it. There were around 40 entrants and I thought the competition was very stiff with some excellent photos being submitted. The judging was carried out by the number of singular public votes each entrant received. I was only hoping to get in the Top 10 so was totally shocked and surprised to hear I'd had come first and was also the only UK entrant in the Top 10. Two local newspapers even shared The Mollster's success! The competition results can be found by visiting <https://webshop.fiat500126.com/?content=sites&id=237&>.

My love for the vintage Fiat 500 started after a trip to Rome several years ago. I was already in love with the modern 500 but after seeing some originals in all states of repair, that was it my heart was captured. Subsequent trips over the years to Naples, Amalfi, Venice and Florence (I guess you can sense a love of Italy growing here!) found me seeking them out just so that I could have my photo taken beside them – I think people must've thought I was mad! At the time I never dreamed I would own one, until last year when I thought 'why not?!' and I started to seriously look around for one.