

Dear Friends

2023 will be a very special year for all fans of the Octagon brand around the world.

Perhaps not even Cecil Kimber, legendary founder of Morris Garages, could have imagined in his wildest dreams that his cars, **100 years** after that day, could still be so loved and appreciated at every latitude, arousing passion and instinctive friendship among those who drive them. All the MG Clubs in the world will honor this anniversary in the best possible way and we of **MG CAR CLUB d'Italia** will also do our part too, considering that for us the anniversary will be double.

In fact, we will also celebrate **50 years** since a group of crazy guys decided to better structure those improvised meeting that they used to organize on the streets of Rome, giving life to our beloved Club that is among the longest-running single-brand club in our beautiful Italy.

Such a double celebration occasion deserved every effort to give you the chance to experience yet another magnificent adventure aboard our beloved MGs, so it is with great joy that we present MG by the Sea 2023. Our flagship event for the second time will take place away from Gabicce Mare, which for years has been the home of MG enthusiasts in Italy and around the world.

With the memory still alive of the beautiful days spent in the Sorrento, Amalfi and Cilento Coasts, we go to unveil the new chosen destination, that magnificent **Sicily** that is the authentic heart of the Mediterranean. It is a land so rich in history, charm and culture that it would be impossible to discover in a single event, so we made the precise choice to experience only the northern and the west side of the island.

Making our base in Pollina for the first four days of the meeting, we will drive along roads and visit places set within two national parks: the Nebrodi and the Madonie.

Among medieval villages, castles and towns where time seems to stand still, you can't miss the thrill of driving the roads of the legendary **Targa Florio**, which for decades has been Sicily's true calling card in the world of motoring.

For the second part of the rally we will completely change setting and views, we will move to the western side of the island. During the transfer we will visit Monreale and its magnificent cathedral, have lunch in a location overlooking the lake of Piana degli Albanesi, before reaching our destination: the Tonnara di Bonagia. This will be our base for the excursions we will make to the salt pans of Marsala, the island of Favignana and Erice.

We deliberately do not go into the details of the program to leave room for the right curiosity that will have to move each of you to send in your registration form as soon as possible because the quotations for the ships, which we publish separately, could change in case the accessions arrive too late. The fees set for hospitality remain firm, but even for these we have a deadline for confirmations set for **January 15**, **2023**, so we ask you to hurry your adhesion as much as possible.

Crystal-clear waters, flavors, colors, smells, folklore, breathtaking views, picture-postcard sunsets and renowned Sicilian hospitality await you for a week that, we promise, you will find hard to forget.

With affection

Max. Gianni, Antonio and Francesca