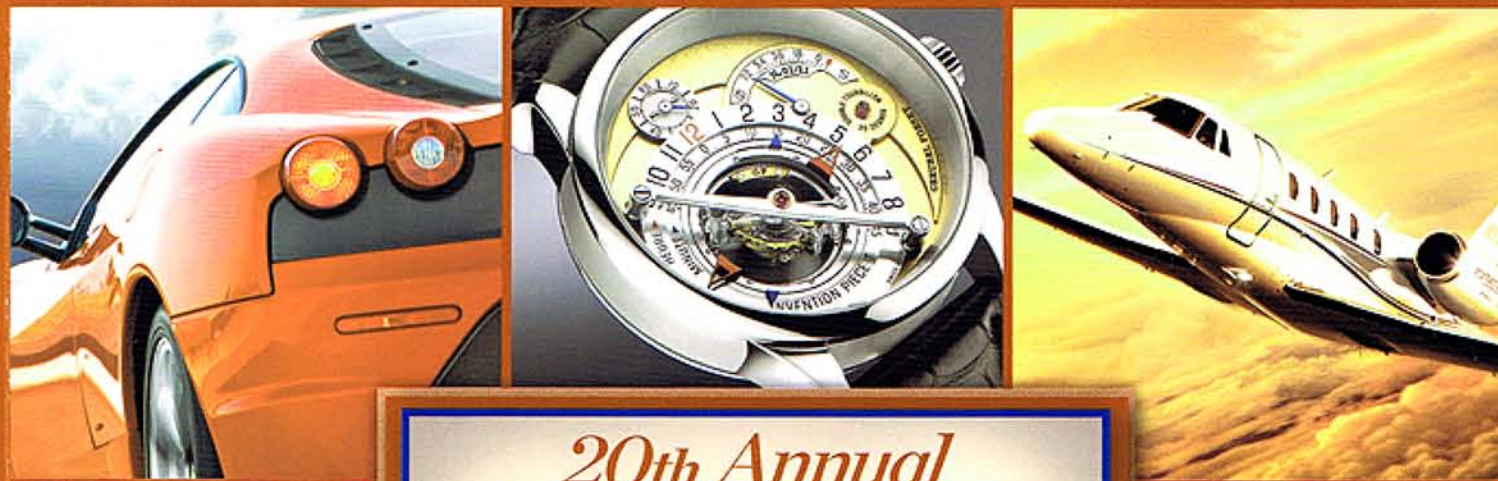


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AMONG BUSINESS-CLASS conveyances, the old-fashioned van is hardly the stuff of CEO daydreams. It is more likely to evoke queasy experiences in airport parking shuttles and sightseeing tour buses. This, however, is no old-fashioned van. With lavish interior appointments and a full contingent of cutting-edge technology, the Becker JetVan lies somewhere between Air Force One and a Bentley Arnage, a rolling refuge that is one part corner office and one part private club.

The JetVan is derived from the Mercedes-Benz Sprinter van, which is

assembled in Germany and sold in North America under the Dodge and Freightliner brands. Becker restores the vehicle's original Mercedes identity and upgrades the exterior to S-Class grandeur. A specially tuned 3-liter turbocharged diesel V-6 provides the motivation.

Becker uses a host of technologies and convenience features in the JetVan that are derived from the aerospace industry, including strong, lightweight honeycomb and composite materials. Sophisticated aviation-quality ambient LED lighting, first-class reclining leather seats with hideaway work surfaces, and power-operated blackout blinds further contribute to the van's executive-jet ambience.

With a catalog of six floor plans as a

guide, Becker fashions each JetVan to the specific tastes and requirements of its buyer. A tailor-made JetVan can command anywhere from \$250,000 to \$500,000. It is safe to say that no two are alike, considering the vast choice of cabin materials and colors, the various high-speed wireless Internet connectivity and videoconferencing options, the recreational-fit possibilities (such as wet bars), and the array of security preparations, which include full armoring. —M.P.

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