

HOLY HOT RODS! IT'S THE BATMOBILE!

Bruce Wayne must be among the millionaire industrialists who regularly vacation in the Caymans: His alter ego's car is parked in George Town, at the Cayman Motor Museum.

Yes, the Batmobile — the very same souped-up ride used by the Caped Crusader in the 1966-68 TV show, *Batman* — is on permanent display at the Motor Museum, which opened in May 2010 near Boatswain's Beach.

Museum founder Andreas Ugland bought the Batmobile at a London car auction in 2007. It's one of 80 classic vehicles in the museum's collection, which includes the very first automobile ever produced — an 1886 Benz — and an exact model of the first vehicle driven in the Cayman Islands: a 1905 Cadillac. For royal watchers, there's Queen Elizabeth II's first limousine, a 1956 Daimler DK400; for those who love speed, the museum showcases Maseratis, Corvettes, Jaguars and several mint-condition classic Ferraris.



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The Batmobile and Batcycle, driven in the 1966-68 TV series, are on display at the Cayman Motor Museum.

Ugland founded the museum to gather his collection in one place; it had been scattered at locations around the world. "My wife, Natalie, and I conceived the notion of bringing them all to Cayman for the people of these islands, and our visitors, to enjoy," he says.

The museum was 10 years in the making. "It truly is a pleasure to share these motorcars and motorbikes with all who might appreciate their significance — and magnificence," Ugland says.