

THE FABULOUS FLATNOSE REGISTER



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Introduction

The 'Fabulous Flatnose' is the sobriquet of the model year 1986 SAAB 900 turbo convertible, assigned by this register from the start. The flat nose of the 1986 model year is one of the distinctive features of this convertible as opposed to the slant nose of the 1987 model year and onwards.

Only 379 Fabulous Flatnoses were produced in serial production in 1986. The Fabulous Flatnose Factsheet will give you a nice overview of this specific model, and can be found in the Fabulous Flatnose Library: <http://fabulousflatnose.com/fabulous-library/>.

Then why is it so fabulous? This car was the pioneer of the SAAB 900 convertible experiment, that resulted in almost 50,000 units sold. It was the Fabulous Flatnose that headed over the Atlantic, to pave way for this iconic convertible, which eventually set a new standard in practical toplessness. In a small car manufacturer's world, not every statistic is recorded, and in the SAAB community, over the years self-proclaimed experts have spread numerous incorrect stories and a lot of false information. All in all, this register aims to unify the owners, previous owners and enthusiasts and get the truth about the 1986 SAAB 900 convertible out.



If in any way you wish to contribute or get your car registered, please get in touch (info@fabulousflatnose.com).

Statistics

Here is an overview of the current Fabulous Flatnose Register statistics:

Number of registered cars	
Category	Number
Prototypes	3
Pre-production cars	4
Crash-test cars	1
Production cars – survivors	86
Production cars – scrapped	2
Production cars – fate unknown	7
Total registered	103

'Production cars' by production month <i>(incl. unconfirmed existence)</i>			
Production month	Registered	Produced	Accounted for
January	3	6	50%
February	2	5	40%
March	3	14	21%
April	7	57	12%
May	29	137	21%
June	26	116	22%
July	5	44	11%
Unknown	20	-	-

Not-registered cars	
Category	Number
Unidentified cars	10
Non-original cars	16
Total not-registered	26

'Production cars' by (org.) gearbox type			
Gearbox type	Registered	Produced	Accounted for
Automatic	33	174	19%
Manual	60	205	29%
Unknown	2	-	-

Database

This is the current database in order of category and, secondarily, serial number:

Category	Serial number	Production month	Model year	Gearbox	Color	Reg.no	Details
Prototype	non-serial	N/A	"1983"	Manual	Solid white	PT1	
Prototype	non-serial	N/A	N/A	Manual	Pearl white	PT2	Built for promotional goals
Prototype	non-serial	N/A	"1981"	Manual	Pearl white	PT3	Design study
Pre-production car	001013	JUN 85	1986	Manual	Cherry red	PP1	Original, USA
Pre-production car	007778	N/A	1986	Manual	Cherry red	PP4	Factory slant nose conversion
Pre-production car	N/A	N/A 85	1985	Manual	<i>Pearl white</i>	PP2	
Pre-production car	N/A	NOV 85	1986	Manual	Cherry red	PP3	
Crash test car	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Orange	CT1	
Production car - survivor	011412	JAN 86	1986	Manual	Cherry red	054	SAAB Museum Trollhattan
Production car - survivor	012839	JAN 86	1986	Manual	White	055	
Production car - survivor	015003	JAN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	040	First silver car (known)
Production car - survivor	017384	N/A	1986	Manual	Silver	056	
Production car - survivor	017973	N/A	1986	Manual	Silver	057	
Production car - survivor	018115	N/A	1986	Manual	Silver	058	
Production car - survivor	018388	FEB 86	1986	Manual	Silver	059	Factory slant nose conversion
Production car - survivor	019877	FEB 86	1986	Manual	Silver	022	
Production car - survivor	020510	MAR 86	1986	Manual	Silver	085	
Production car - survivor	021182	MAR 86	1986	Manual	Silver	083	
Production car - survivor	021807	MAR 86	1986	Manual	White	035	Factory slant nose conversion
Production car - survivor	022127	MAR 86	1986	Manual	Silver	068	Car resides in Canada
Production car - survivor	022196	MAR 86	1986	Manual	Silver	001	Car that initiated this register
Production car - survivor	022591	MAR 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	034	First automatic (known)
Production car - survivor	022667	APR 86	1986	Manual	Silver	086	
Production car - survivor	022955	APR 86	1986	N/A	Silver	070	Rear end damage after restoration
Production car - survivor	024729	APR 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	080	First Fab Flat in The Netherlands
Production car - survivor	024828	APR 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	018	
Production car - survivor	024981	APR 86	1986	Manual	Silver	038	
Production car - survivor	025454	APR 86	1986	Manual	Silver	028	
Production car - survivor	025556	APR 86	1986	Manual	Silver	078	
Production car - survivor	025748	APR 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	036	
Production car - survivor	026071	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	077	
Production car - survivor	026153	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	006	

Category	Serial number	Production month	Model year	Gearbox	Color	Reg.no	Details
Production car - survivor	026298	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	060	
Production car - survivor	026353	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	026	
Production car - survivor	026379	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	079	
Production car - survivor	026460	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	043	
Production car - survivor	026481	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	076	
Production car - survivor	026903	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	003	
Production car - survivor	026970	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	064	
Production car - survivor	027036	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	050	
Production car - survivor	027216	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Yellow	009	
Production car - survivor	027240	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	052	
Production car - survivor	027262	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	062	
Production car - survivor	027484	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	033	
Production car - survivor	027731	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	013	
Production car - survivor	027839	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	032	
Production car - survivor	027859	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	020	
Production car - survivor	028021	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	019	
Production car – survivor	028162	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	082	
Production car - survivor	028411	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	075	
Production car - survivor	028644	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	065	
Production car - survivor	028821	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	037	
Production car - survivor	029003	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	002	Restored
Production car - survivor	029061	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	045	
Production car - survivor	029277	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	030	
Production car - survivor	029327	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	074	
Production car - survivor	029609	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	067	
Production car - survivor	029782	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	069	
Production car - survivor	029933	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	017	
Production car - survivor	030076	N/A	1986	Manual	Silver	081	
Production car - survivor	030158	N/A	1986	Automatic	Silver	042	
Production car - survivor	030178	N/A	1986	Manual	Silver	027	
Production car - survivor	030201	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	010	
Production car - survivor	030244	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	066	
Production car - survivor	030629	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	047	
Production car - survivor	030667	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	012	

Category	Serial number	Production month	Model year	Gearbox	Color	Reg.no	Details
Production car - survivor	030709	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	007	
Production car - survivor	030838	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	031	
Production car - survivor	030924	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	049	
Production car - survivor	031032	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	061	
Production car - survivor	031122	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	048	
Production car - survivor	031246	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	046	
Production car - survivor	031288	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	071	One family car, 'Granpa's '86'
Production car - survivor	031473	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	021	
Production car - survivor	031581	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	063	Converted to manual gearbox + slant nose
Production car - survivor	031855	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	023	
Production car - survivor	031920	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	072	
Production car - survivor	032005	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	025	
Production car - survivor	032031	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	061	
Production car - survivor	032051	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	041	
Production car - survivor	032294	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	073	
Production car - survivor	032342	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	<i>Red</i>	015	
Production car - survivor	032364	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	024	
Production car - survivor	032407	JUN 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	053	
Production car - survivor	032448	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver		
Production car - survivor	032535	N/A	1986	Automatic	Silver	051	
Production car - survivor	032963	N/A	1986	Manual	Silver	014	
Production car - survivor	033091	N/A	1986	Automatic	Silver	005	
Production car - survivor	033111	N/A	1986	Manual	Silver	008	
Production car - survivor	033132	JUL 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	039	
Production car - survivor	033345	JUL 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	044	
Production car - survivor	033436	JUL 86	1986	Manual	Silver	011	
Production car - survivor	033541	JUL 86	1986	Manual	Silver	029	
Production car - survivor	033583	JUL 86	1986	Manual	Silver	004	
Production car - scrapped	030989	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	S01	
Production car - scrapped	N/A	N/A	1986	Automatic	Silver	S02	
Production car - fate unknown	025967	N/A	1986	Automatic	Silver	P03	
Production car - fate unknown	028433	MAY 86	1986	Automatic	Silver	P02	
Production car - fate unknown	029736	MAY 86	1986	Manual	Silver	P06	
Production car - fate unknown	031942	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	P04	

Category	Serial number	Production month	Model year	Gearbox	Color	Reg.no	Details
Production car - fate unknown	032324	JUN 86	1986	Manual	Silver	P01	
Production car - fate unknown	032707	N/A	1986	Automatic	Silver	P05	
Production car - fate unknown	N/A	N/A	1986	N/A	Silver	P07	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	N/A	Manual	Red	U01	
U02 was identified on June 2 nd , 2017 (#065)							
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Silver	U03	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Silver	U04	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	1986	N/A	Red	U05	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	N/A	Manual	Black	U06	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	1986	N/A	Yellow	U07	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	1986	Automatic	Silver	U08	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	1986	N/A	Silver	U09	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Pearl White	U10	
Unidentified car	N/A	N/A	1986	Manual	Silver	U11	

The Fabulous Flatnose Register



The prototypes

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The crash-test cars

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The production cars – survivors

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The production cars – scrapped

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The production cars – fate unknown

P0



Unidentified cars

U0



Non-original cars

N0

The prototypes

Definition

A prototype is a hand built (or modified) convertible, built to order before 1986 for R&D purposes. Only three of them were built.

Prototype 1 (PT1)



Owner(s)	Location	Gearbox	Color
Bernt Tornefjell	Sweden	Manual	Solid white

This car was one of the original hand built prototypes, born by converting a two-door notchback into a convertible. The VIN is therefore not a convertible's VIN like you'd expect it to be (YS3AD7xLxG...): YS3AH25J7F700****. The H2 indicates a 900S High (i.e. luxurious) series 2-door sedan, with the 5 indicating the manual gearbox and the J telling us it was originally a 2.0 fuel injected car. At the conversion, it got the B202(SI-1-85) turbo engine installed. The backseat-arrangement, interior, windows (it had plexi-windows earlier), the A-pillar for the windshield and the reinforcements for the chassis were later taken from pre-series cars. The roof was taken from a crash-test car.

The F tells us it is the 1985 model, which can also be deducted from the missing side indicators. It was the American Sunroof Company that built it after a Bjorn Envall design, and it hasn't got the same dimensions as the production cars. For instance, the left side is 11mm shorter. If the left side gets in an accident they have to manually manufacture a new door because an ordinary door will not fit. You can imagine Bernt is very careful with this car. It therefore has only 49.000 km on the "clock". The 16" cross spoke wheels have been adjusted by Bernt, to fit the original old type axles. What is perhaps most appealing to this car is that it is the very first prototype ever built and wasn't meant to become a roadworthy car.

Prototype 2 (PT2)



Owner(s)	Location	Gearbox	Color
SAAB Museum	Trollhättan, Sweden	Manual	Pearl white

This car is the second of the original hand built prototypes, born by converting a (1983) two-door notchback into a convertible. The car was built by American Sunroof Company after a design by Bjorn Envall, and has an 8-valve carburetor engine with a 4-speed gearbox. It isn't rigid enough for driving but can be driven and has done 1,830 miles. Features include separately moving rear window (as seen on YouTube: <http://youtu.be/sBU09OrNRAM>) and rear seat passengers having a window switch of their own. This car can be seen in the SAAB Museum in Trollhättan. It is the car that was shown to the public at the 1983 IAA in Frankfurt . To ensure maximum impact, the shape of the veiled show car was disguised by a plastic block inserted above the trunk lid to give it the silhouette of a wagon. It is not commonly known that the IAA show car was in fact the second car to be built – not the first! Serial number 01454.

Prototype 3 (PT3)



Owner(s)	Location	Gearbox	Color
SAAB Museum	Trollhättan, Sweden	Manual	Pearl white

This is the only prototype – in fact a design study – based on the 3-door combi coupe version of the SAAB 900, one from 1981, with the 8-valve turbo engine. It was designed and built by Leif Mellberg and wasn't built for driving. It has no registration for that matter. This car was flown to Pasadena, California to be compared to the ASC prototype (P01), with the board present to decide which one of the prototypes would be the better. The ASC-car won. Mellberg's design study has a targa top over the front seats and a traditional canvas drop top over the rear seats. The left side is equipped with aero-panels and aero-wheels whilst the right side was standard, yet with the wheels painted pearl white, like the aero-wheels. It has done 690 km. The car can still be seen in the SAAB Museum in Trollhättan. Serial number of the original combi coupé was 13510.

The pre-production cars

Definition

Pre-production cars were built in 1985 on the line (not by hand) to test serial production. Seven pre-production cars were built.

PP1.



Owner(s)
Bill Jacobson

Location
USA, Wilmington, Del.

Gearbox
Manual

Color
Cherry red

Model year
1986

This car, with serial number 001013, was the press car for the United States. It has some handmade parts like a rear spoiler partly made of painted wood and soft top covers (when the convertible top when it is down) made of fiberglass, that just lay over the convertible top so they cannot be on when the car is driven. This pre-production car was built in June 1985, to the 1986 model specifications (it has the G in the VIN also). It is a full T16 (i.e. both VIN and engine). The car was used for promotion purposes and is thusly known from advertisements and press releases, see lower photo. It was owned by SAAB USA since new.

In an auction on February 10th, 2012, this car was bought by Bill Jacobson of Sports Car Service in Wilmington, who thus became the second owner. The story goes a very large groundhog that made its home under the hood when the car was stored at the Scania facility in Orange, where it was deteriorated to such extend that the car was re-painted by SAAB and the front seats were replaced. The mileage is about 25,000.

What makes this car pretty special is that it was never converted to slant nose and the car had never been titled.

PP2.



Owner(s)
Museum Uusikaupunki

Location
Uusikaupunki, Finland

Gearbox
N/A

Color
Pearl white

Model year
1985

Model year 1985 (!) SAAB 900 convertible, pre-production car, built in 1985. The aero panels were added later and the car was repainted pearl white. Original color unknown.

PP3.



Owner(s)
Juha Lehtonen

Location
Finland

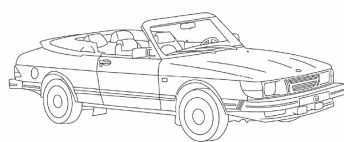
Gearbox
Manual

Color
Cherry red

Model year
1986

This is a November 30th, 1985 car of the pre-series, model year 1986. The car was sold from the factory to the manager of the Turku-area SAAB-dealer, from who Juha bought it several years ago. The car has been converted to a slant nose at the factory (possibly to test or promote the facelift), see also the lower photo, and Juha changed it back to its original shape when he restored it few years ago, see upper photo. – *My appreciation goes out to Vesa Pohjalainen for leading me to this car and establishing contact with Juha. And to Juha, for permission.*

PP4.



(a photo of the car is in the possession of this register)

Owner(s)
Anonymous

Location
Sweden

Gearbox
Manual

Color
Cherry red

Model year
1986

There is another pre-production car in Sweden, which has been converted to the slant nose facelift model. This car was supposed to be crash tested but was saved from a certain death and firstly owned by a SAAB manager. Its VIN and engine are a T16, but it was and still is registered as a 900i. The serial number is 007778 with a Swedish first registration on January 8th 1986.

It has done about 22,000 Swedish miles = about 135,000 miles. It was on the market (for sale) in August 2007 and is now with a Swedish collector of rare and vintage cars.

The crash-test cars

Definition

These are true Fabulous Flatnoses that were crash tested. Some pre-production cars were meant to be crash tested, so the crash-test cars may well be actual pre-production cars – who knows. Until such crash-test car is identified it will be labeled crash-test car.

CT1.



This photograph was hidden in the archives of Valmet for thirty years, when it was posted by Valmet on its Facebook Page in January 2016. The pictured car was referred to and is recognizable as a crash test car. Of course, the safety of the Fabulous Flatnose had to be empirically tested, so this obviously doorless and topless car was elected to make a statement.

It will need no further explanation that this car has not survived the crash test and is no longer in existence.

Rest In Peace!

The production cars – survivors

Definition

Production cars were built in 1986 to a number of 379 and to model year 1986 standards. All cars had USA specifications (including headlights and of course a catalyst converter). All the 'survivors' are proven to be still out there!

001.

**Owner(s)**

M.F.

Location

Chemnitz, Germany

Serial number

022196

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Fitzgerald SAAB, Fort Wayne

Production date

03/86

Drivable but a little rough on the edges with 210,000+ miles. Gradually restored in 2011-2018. This is one of the first 25 cars to have been produced. It was bought as a secondhand car by a SAAB salesman who sold it new to a young attorney, who died soon thereafter. After Fort Wayne, IN, it went to Carefree, AZ and was sold to The Netherlands in 2011 by me, after which I started the register. So this was the first entry and the first car to be named 'Fabulous Flatnose'. In 2018 it went to Chemnitz, Germany. It was again sold in August 2022 and went to Dresden, Germany.

002.

**Owner(s)**

Maurice Timmers

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

029003

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Star SAAB, Glendale

Production date

05/86

First registered on July 30th, 1986 at 36 miles. Shipped to Los Angeles with the MS Spika, retail price \$ 26,091, taxes excluded. Selling price \$ 30,439.22. Completely restored, mostly with brand new or as new parts - a star!

003.

**Owner(s)**

Tom & Avis Nelson

Location

United States (Evergreen, CO)

Serial number

026903

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Palm Springs SAAB, California

Production date

05/86

4th owner from new. Rebuilt engine & transmission 2008. Running well in 2013. New convertible top installed by Tom himself in May 2014.

004.

**Owner(s)**

Bruce Billing

Location

United States

Serial number

033583

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Clyde Billing Inc. Augusta, Maine

Production date

07/86

Second owner. Original owner was Bruce's Aunt, 90,000 miles, original condition, Bought it in October 2012.

005.

**Owner(s)**

Ed Lorenz

Location

United States (Oneonta, NY)

Serial number

033091

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Probably Honolulu, Hawaii

Production date

N/A

Soon to be 5-speed manual. Legend has it that the car was originally sold in Honolulu, HI.

006.

**Owner(s)**

Gerrit-Jan Hallink

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

026153

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

The engine was once replaced by a 2.0 injection non-turbo engine.

007.

**Owner(s)**

Gaston Wilting

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

030709

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

06/86

New leather upholstery in cognac.

008.

**Owner(s)**

Dirk Koppen

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

033111

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

82,000 miles from new. Otherwise than pictured in the album, the car currently has got the original headlights installed.

009.

**Owner(s)**

Vincent van der Meulen

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

027216

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Yellow

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

This 900 was converted to a post-86 'slantnose' Monte Carlo Special Edition back in 1991, just after it was imported to the Netherlands. Imagine the buyer, who then drove a 5 year old 900 flatnose that looked like a brand new 900 Monte Carlo – with matching license plates (in the Netherlands each license plate number matches the first domestic registration date (and stays with the car forever))!

010.

**Owner(s)**

Harry Melis

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

030201

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Beaumont Texas

Production date

06/86

Shipped with the M/S Butterfly. Sold on November 21st, 1986, first registered on November 29th, 1986 at 347 miles. Selling price was \$ 25,860.75. 1,000 mile inspection on December 2nd, 1986 at 1,107 miles. This car was once owned by the same lady that owned the 015003, that is in the Netherlands as well now.

011.

**Owner(s)**

Ryan Trimble

Location

United States (Farmington, CT)

Serial number

033436

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

07/86

About 183,000 miles.

012.

**Owner(s)**

S.A.

Location

Germany

Serial number

030667

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

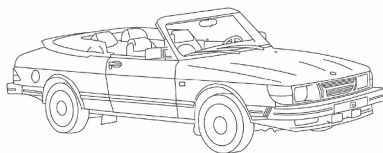
Chester, CT

Production date

06/86

Guus (the former owner) picked his car up in October 2011, in Chester, CT. The mileage was 86.292 miles. An expert judged the car and made a report of it. Guus has driven it for 1,225 miles (1.960 km) and sold it to S.A. There have been some modifications, like new headlights, exhaust, tires, battery, steering wheel, audio, remote central locking, modded APC, extra gauges and the catalytic converter was removed.

013.

**Owner(s)**

Dennis Sweeney (for sale)

Location

United States (Ligonier, PA)

Serial number

027731

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

Dennis is offering this car for sale at \$2,500 (April 2nd, 2014). Solid body, stored 15 years, not driven, originally an automatic but now has a 5 speed manual installed.

014.

**Owner(s)**

Dennis Sweeney

Location

United States (Ligonier, PA)

Serial number

032963

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

P&W motors, Pittsburgh (07/'86)

Production date

N/A

Almost perfect original condition. Actual mileage 41,300. This car is featured on YouTube, in a video from 2009, when The car was offered in a 2009 auction but reserve wasn't met: <http://youtu.be/e26Fvt5BRaA>.

015.

**Owner(s)**

Gert-Jan Gijsbertsen

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

032342

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Red

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

06/86

Converted to post-86 model and painted red. Currently big work in progress to bring back to original state, color and flatnose. Go Gert-Jan!!

016.

**Owner(s)**

Scott Erikson

Location

Vermont, United States

Serial number

027752

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

Scott picked up the car in May 2014 (see picture) and is planning on keeping this one as original as possible. It has been sitting for a while so it needs a mechanical run-through and some major interior help. Top could stand to be replaced, but still is not terrible.

017.

**Owner(s)**

F.E.

Location

Sweden

Serial number

029933

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

This silver convertible is sold and will be transported to Sweden in the summer of 2015!

018.

**Owner(s)**

Mr. S 900 (anonymous)

Location

Germany

Serial number

024828

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

04/86

This car is for sale (May 2014) on the German SAAB-cars.de forum. The seller bought the car in 1992 in Dallas (Texas) first hand with 67,000 miles. At 111,111 miles renewed turbocharger, at 122,000 revision of transmission and clutch. Neither in Texas nor in Germany the engine did over 140 km/h. As an extra, an original SAAB -Guard alarm system was installed. Asking price €11,000.

019.

**Owner(s)**

Mikael Fjällstedt

Location

Vilhelmina, Sweden

Serial number

028021

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Peterson SAAB Ft. Collins, CO

Production date

05/86

This Fabulous Flatnose needs quite a lot of TLC, but it has a unique history under the care of the original owner (!) Glenn Duncan for 28 years. Glenn bought the car brand new from Peterson Saab in Ft. Collins, CO and has put well over 210,000 very enjoyable miles on the car around Laramie, Wyoming USA. Severe health problems have prevented Glenn's dream of restoring the car to past glory so he has sold the car to Jerry Danner, who, together with Tom Nelson, towed the car to Denver on June 20, 2014. After that it was sold to Mikael in Sweden.

020.

**Owner(s)**

Tim Swanick

Location

Yonkers, New York USA

Serial number

027859

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

This car has just been saved from going to a scrapyard! The car wasn't registered until December 1987! Before ending up in New York it has spent time out in Illinois and later Colorado. A friend of Tim's bought the car, after which it developed a problem (possibly with the hall sensor wiring). When a repair shop couldn't fix it the car was parked for a few years. Tim, being the current owner, will have it towed over to his place to get it running again. The car is equipped with Euro headlights and a VDO gauge set in the lower DIN console. Mileage is 125,625 miles.

021.

**Owner(s)**

V. van O.

Location

Neer, The Netherlands

Serial number

031473

Gearbox type

Manual conversion

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

06/86

In 2015/2016, this car was completely stripped at around 166.000 miles and restored. Originally this was an automatic.

022.

**Owner(s)**

C.M.

Location

S., Florida, USA

Serial number

019877

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Wigwam SAAB, Rhode Island

Production date

02/86

One of the first 11 out there and in wonderful shape! For sale at \$19,500 on July 28th 2014, stating: body restoration completed in 2011 by Xtreme Restoration in Rhode Island - Documents on vehicle restoration are available - engine is sound and strong at 81,981 original miles - New tires on original Saab rims - This is a rare collectable vehicle - it is 1 of the original 400 shipped to the US - interior upholstery and top show signs of wear - Clear title, registered and garaged in Florida - an excellent driving vehicle.

023.

**Owner(s)**

Kevin Green

Location

Kansas City, Mo, USA

Serial number

031855

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

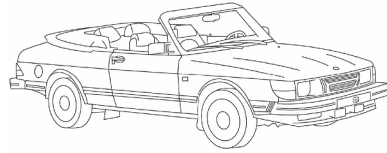
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Production date

06/86

Kevin is working on and driving in this car and has owned it since 2008.

024.

**Owner(s)**

Kevin Green

Location

Kansas City, Mo, USA

Serial number

032364

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

This car is currently in storage. Kevin owns it since 2008.

025.

**Owner(s)**

R.H.

Location

Roslingdale, Ma, USA

Serial number

032005

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Long Island City (Queens), NY

Production date

06/86

For sale in December 2014, mileage 182,000, price \$1,250. It has been in the same family since '86 but now requires more TLC. Needs a new battery but engine works. "Would love for it to go to an owner that can properly care for and enjoy it!".

026.

**Owner(s)**

"Miss M."

Location

Wilmette, Chicago, USA

Serial number

026353

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

For sale on Craigslist on November 21st 2014, priced \$2,000. "Runs great", 179,588 miles on the odometer.

027.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Norway

Serial number

030178

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

This belonged to a pastor in the Netherlands from 2006 until somewhere in 2013, when it was exported to Norway. The man who owned the car before the pastor sadly suffered from a heat stroke when he drove it top down. Another owner used to call the car 'Leonardo di cabrio'. It currently is in need of continuing the process of restoring it in its former glory that was started by the pastor.

028.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Delft, The Netherlands

Serial number

025454

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

04/86

Imported to the Netherlands on April 6th, 1998. Formally registered as being white (TDLN71). Not in a good shape, but the car is driven (and spotted) regularly.

029.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Elmshorn, Germany

Serial number

033541

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

07/86

Currently (04/'14) for sale at Auto Forum Nagel in Elmshorn, Germany, for EUR 6.950 with 200,000 km (125,000 miles), stating: "Wir haben das Fahrzeug vor 5 Jahren aus den USA mitgebracht und es seitdem trocken gelagert. Fgnr. YS3AD75L1G7033541. Fahrzeug muß komplett restauriert werden, die Karosserie ist rostfrei und ich bin den Wagen in den USA gefahren. Das Dach und die Innenausstattung (Sitze) müssen erneuert werden, näheres gern am Telefon".

030.

**Owner(s)**

Max Rens

Location

Vianen, the Netherlands

Serial number

029277

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

Imported to the Netherlands on May 14th, 1997. This car is currently, after being bought from a car trader by Max, being completely restored to become 'as new'.

031.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

United States (Reading, PA)

Serial number

030838

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

06/86

142,000 miles (April 2014)

032.

**Owner(s)**

Mikael Pettersson

Location

Höör, Sweden

Serial number

027839

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Saab Victor, Abington, PA

Production date

05/86

This Fabulous Flatnose was offered on ksl.com in July 2016, according to the advertisement with only a steering fluid leak. Its transmission was replaced in 2013. The car is equipped with period correct US Turbo wheels and still has the original Clarion equalizer mounted, although the accessory head unit has been replaced with an aftermarket unit. It is now undergoing some TLC and will soon be registered in Sweden.

033.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Washington state, USA

Serial number

027484

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

In July 2014, this car was offered on Craigslist and was sold to a new owner in Washington State. This was rescued from a barn in Washougal by the selling owner where it had sat for several years with the top stuck in the retracted position. The seller repaired the top and the car had the original hard boot cover. The car had new exhaust, 2 new tires and the front seats were reupholstered. The hood was replaced with a good (Edwardian grey) hood. Car runs and drives fine at 163,000. Asking price was \$1,750 firm.

034.

**Owner(s)**

Thomas Vos

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

022591

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

03/86

152,000 miles (December 2014). On its way to the Netherlands, Summer 2020. One of the first built.

035.

**Owner(s)**

Anonymous

Location

Sweden

Serial number

021807

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

White

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

03/86

This is an ultra-rare (and first to be registered) white production convertible around. That is, one of the 379 produced fabulous flatnoses series and among the first 23 that left the factory. Mileage: about 196,000 kilometers = 122,000 miles.

036.



Owner(s)
Roland Almborg

Location (last known)
Seaford, Delaware, USA

Serial number
025748

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
04/86

Auctioned on May 8th, 2014 with 90,741 miles on the clock. The description was 'minor dents/scratches'. The car is now in Sweden!

037.



Owner(s)
Jonah Erikson

Location
Keene, New Hampshire, USA

Serial number
028821

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
N/A

This fabulous flatnose has been converted to direct ignition/APC by former owner Larry West.

038.



Owner(s)
Anonymous

Location
Germany

Serial number
024981

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
Downtown SAAB, Oakland, Calif.

Production date
04/86

Euro headlights. It has been imported to Germany during 2012, now is in regular use, but needs a lot of work on the paint and interior, a rolling restoration.

039.



Owner(s)
Tommi Aihkisalo

Location
Oulu, Finland

Serial number
033132

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
Erie, PA, USA

Production date
07/86

This car was originally sold in Erie, PA, USA, and then ended up in Florida and then to Philadelphia PA where it sat for 10 years dismantled. Spotted on Craigslist for sale for \$350 as a body on wheels and 20 boxes of parts. Put together by Tommi's friend living in Philadelphia a couple of years ago after which Tommi bought it and imported it back to its country of origin, Finland. At the moment the car is undergoing some improvements on the roof and other gadgets. It has the USA headlights and chrome wheel arches. Currently it has just 88,000 miles on it.

040.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Poland

Serial number
015003

Gearbox type
Manual

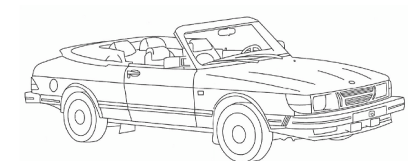
Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
01/86

Offered as a project car on January 23d, 2015, on SAABnet.com, this car turned out to be the oldest silver flatnose known! "The windshield is cracked, the lower control arm mounts are solid, but there are two weak spots in the floorboards and the spare tire cavity is needing attention. Basically the car needs a ground up restoration." The car moved to the Netherlands in June 2016 and was once owned by the same lady that owned the 030201. In 2019, this car went to a new owner in Poland.

041.



Owner(s)
Holmes Liddell family

Location
Pennsylvania, USA

Serial number
032051

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
Fowler Motors, Williamsport, PA

Production date
06/86

Garage stored, 34,000 mile car! Kevin Holmes Liddell is going to have it gone over this spring, and have all it needs to be done. It may then go up for sale. This car hasn't been driven for two years. Four years ago all seals and gaskets were replaced. Awaiting the full monty pictures! ☺

042.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Walden, New York, USA

Serial number
030158

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
N/A

Offered on craigslist for \$400 in April 2015, stating: "Need gone asap this is a parts car can't find title. Has not been inspected since 2005 so has been sitting". Photos hold that it is in fact a project car – hope it will be saved!

043.



Owner(s)
Jason H.

Location
N/A

Serial number
026460

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86

Offered on craigslist in Hennepin County, MN, USA for \$4,000 in June 2015, stating: "One of only 300 manufactured; Saab's first convertible. 92,000 actual miles. In perfect mechanical condition; body is mint. This car has never seen a snowflake. New high performance tires. I have owned this car for 15 years; need to sell because my deteriorating left knee makes it difficult for me to work the clutch".

044.



Owner(s)
T.S.

Location
Rockland, NY, USA

Serial number
033345

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
07/86

Very rare car with an Airflow kit. Offered on craigslist for \$20,000 in July 2015, stating: "This is a one owner car, I have the carfax in hand . Car was always garage kept . Just passed NY state inspection . Hate to sell it as it was the wife's baby , but we are downsizing and selling our home so somethings have to go".

045.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Roermond, the Netherlands

Serial number
029061

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86

Another Dutch (imported) fabulous flatnose. For sale for € 1,200 in August 2015, with 115,000 miles and bad rooftop – but otherwise it looks reasonable and ready to drive!

046.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Sweden

Serial number
031246

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
Zumbach Sports Cars, NJ

Production date
06/86

142kmiles, the interior is a little rough though. The top looks brand new. Aero wheels. Original equalizer. This car has a rare, red striping along the side, that cost an extra \$150,- and was delivered on August 29th, 1986 to a Mr. Smoler from Scarsdale NY.

047.



Owner(s)
N/A ('Pete')

Location
Old Saybrook, CT, USA

Serial number
030629

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
06/86

For sale by second owner in November 2015, with 115,000 miles. Car has been garaged its entire life and runs, but needs minor maintenance.

048.

**Owner(s)**

John Aspholm

Location

Oslo, Norway

Serial number

031122

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

06/86

This car is a little rough and needs some attention. After it was bought in the USA and brought to the Netherlands in 2016, the car was bought by SAAB-enthusiast Marek in May 2017 and brought to Krakau, Poland. Soon thereafter it came up for sale in Gothenburg, Sweden, where John bought it and took it to Oslo, Norway. There's a fairly long list of things that need doing and as such it's not really roadworthy at the moment. The goal is to have it registered and on the road in spring of 2019.

049.

**Owner(s)**

N/A ('Dan')

Location

Ogden, UT, USA

Serial number

030924

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

06/86

For sale with 134,000 miles at \$2,500 on December 23d, 2015, stating: "Owned this car for 25 years. Has a rebuilt transmission with less than 10,000 miles on it. I was to restore the car but just don't have the time. Not bad shape for a 29 year old car."

050.

**Owner(s)**

Åke Sandqvist

Location

Sweden

Serial number

027036

Gearbox type

Manual conversion

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

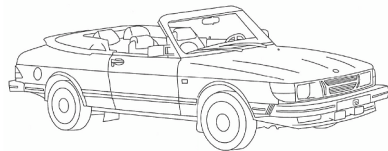
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Production date

05/86

Imported to Sweden in 2013, originally an automatic, but converted to manual.

051.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Sweden

Serial number

032535

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

Currently not in traffic.

052.



Owner(s)
Magnus Lesshammar

Location
Växjö, Sweden

Serial number
027240

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
Atlanta, Georgia

Production date
05/86

Arrived in Sweden in May 2016. In 2017 Magnus acquired this nice 900. The car is in good condition exterior, but the interior needs extensive renovation.

053.



Owner(s)
Martin Chutný

Location
Tišnov, Czech republic

Serial number
032407

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
AFC Whitehouse Station, N.J.

Production date
06/86

Offered for sale on eBay in Fullerton, CA, USA in June 2016 with 59,900 miles, but the odometer has stopped working. The car shows some regular wear and tear and is in need of some TLC, but looks pretty good for its age. Martin bought this car from eBay. Transport was complicated and he waited a long time. Negotiations at the authorities and the acquisition of Czech license plates were also very difficult (he had the TÜV done in Germany).

054.



Owner(s)
SAAB Museum

Location
Trollhättan, Sweden

Serial number
011412

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Cherry Red

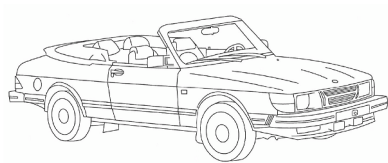
Supplying dealer
SAAB A.B.

Production date
01/86

With VIN YS3AD75L1G7011412, stating a 119 hp non-turbo engine, this one of the rare red fabulous flatnoses, and it's in good condition.

As you can see, it has been converted to the slant nose model, with the '87 front and bumpers. It has a poor fit for the interior fittings. The mileage? 2,628! The Swedish registration is MFU848 and dates back to December 1986, when 350 production cars were long gone and sold in the USA. The Swedish registration indicates a 2.0 injection engine, but it is equipped with a T16 B202 engine, which corresponds to the VIN.

055.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Sweden

Serial number
012839

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
White

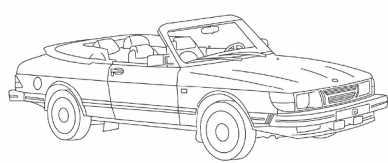
Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
01/86

This is one of the first 11 production cars, built in January 1986. It remained in Sweden and is registered as a 900i, although it's a 160 BHP T16 for sure!

This car was first registered in Sweden on January 15th, 1986 and has served its current owner for over 23 years.

056.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Sweden

Serial number
017384

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

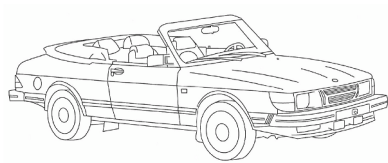
Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
N/A

This is one of the first 11 production cars, built in January or February 1986. It remained in Sweden and is registered as a 900i, although it's a 160 BHP T16 for sure!

It was first registered in Sweden on April 22th, 1986 and has served its current owner for over 25 years.

057.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Sweden

Serial number
017973

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

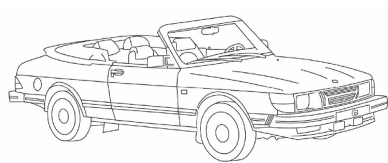
Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
N/A

This is one of the first 11 production cars, built in January or February 1986. It remained in Sweden and is registered as a 900i, although it's a 160 BHP T16 for sure!

This car was first registered in Sweden on February 19th, 1986 and has served its current owner for over 21 years.

058.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Sweden

Serial number

018115

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

This is one of the first 11 production cars, built in January or February 1986. It remained in Sweden and is registered as a 900i, although it's a 160 BHP T16 for sure!

This car was first registered in Sweden on May 12th, 1986 and has served its current owner for over 21 years.

059.

**Owner(s)**

J. Bergmark

Location

Sweden

Serial number

018388

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

02/86

This is one of the first 10 production cars, built February 1986. It remained in Sweden and is registered as a 900i, although it's a 160 BHP T16 for sure! As you can see, it has the slant nose.

This car was first registered in Sweden on June 26th, 1986 and has served its current owner for over 4 years.

060.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Eugene, OR, USA

Serial number

026298

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

With 68,749 miles and an asking price of \$6,800, this fabulous flatnose was offered for sale on saabnet.com in July 2016. Claimed to be in original condition with three previous owners and without rust. New clutch kit and slave cylinder, brake master cylinder, brake system flush, NGK spark plugs, battery, coolant thermostat and temperature sender, rebuilt Air-Mass Meter and new sealed-beam headlights. The driver's seat leather is split at the bolster, the automatic top needs help closing and there are some minor dents and dings to the exterior body.

061.



Owner(s)
Rocky Grieco

Location
Boonton, NJ, USA

Serial number
032031

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
06/86

On Flickr, this nice flatnose convertible was posted by 'R36 Coach' in January 2017, photographed at Grieco Bros Automotive, a SAAB Specialist in Boonton, NJ. After mentioning this car on the register's Facebook page, Rocky Grieco applied and gave some more information. The mileage is 214,000 and the car is for sale.

062.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Alkmaar, the Netherlands

Serial number
027262

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86

This car was up for auction at bringatrailer.com, where bidding ended without the car being sold (November 2016). Later on, the car was sold to the Netherlands. With just 63,000 miles the car looks really good.

063.



Owner(s)
Marcel Jordaan

Location
Oss, the Netherlands

Serial number
031581

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
06/86

The original automatic gearbox was swapped for a manual box and, as you can see, the flatnose was swapped for a slant nose, with the bumper style accordingly. Also, the engine has been replaced. This brave fellow has done over 275,000 miles!

064.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Darrington, WA, USA

Serial number
026970

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86

This manual car is offered for sale in an online auction for charity in May 2017, with 174,067 miles, looking a bit rough but all in all pretty okay.

065.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

N/A

Serial number

028644

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

This car was on the 'unidentified' list for a long time, when a 1989 Saab 900 SPG was offered for sale on craigslist.org and the grille of this flatnose was visible behind the SPG. After contacting the seller it turned out the flatnose was sold already, but was still known to the seller: It currently has 231,216 miles on it and is in operating condition. It has a second used transmission installed, but he rebuilt the original transmission and will be installing it soon. The was documented from purchase by this man on: <http://www.saabcentral.com/forums/showthread.php?t=178260>

066.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Boulder, CO, USA

Serial number

030244

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

06/86

Spotted in Boulder, Colorado, on June 2nd, 2017. Sold on Bringatrailer.com in November 2023 for \$28,900.

067.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Old Lyme, CT, USA

Serial number

029609

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

For sale on Craigslist in June 2nd, 2017, for \$5,800, claiming 'One of 300 made in 1986, on of 50 sent to USA dealers'. Obviously this person didn't read the Fabulous Flatnose Factsheet... ☺ Mileage reads 122,401 with a condition that seems pretty good!

068.

**Owner(s)**

'Peter'

Location

Canada

Serial number

022127

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

03/86

This car was imported to Canada (Prescott) in May 2005, straight from Franklin, Indiana (USA). The new Canadian owner got it from a friend's father in law with 109,586 miles on it. It was for sale on Saabnet.com in January 2016.

069.



Owner(s)
Chuck Lage

Location
Landenberg, PA, USA

Serial number
029782

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86

Found on Craigslist.org in July 2017, this car was offered for \$2,000. According to the seller, it has a few cosmetic issues (namely a huge dent in the door) and a non-operable roof, but reportedly no rust. The mileage is approximately 162k and it just passed the local emissions test. Chuck bought it and updated it, with the intention of selling it again.

070.



Owner(s)
R. Roberts

Location
Irvine, KY, USA

Serial number
022955

Gearbox type
N/A

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
04/86

This car was restored and has an Airflow-package mounted that was painted silver, like the body. The rear end was wrecked when the parked Saab was hit by another car.

071.



Owner(s)
Chuck Lage

Location
Landenberg, PA, USA

Serial number
031288

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
Randy Friedley, Cedar Falls IA

Production date
06/86

"GRANPAS '86" resides comfortably in a garage in Landenberg, Pennsylvania. Originally purchased in Cedar Falls Iowa and used as a daily driver in Phoenix, Arizona until 1999 when it was shipped to the owners son in Ohio. GRANPAS relocated to Las Vegas before settling in Landenberg. It has 153,000 miles and except for newly re-built seats and a new grill, it is original. The dash and spoiler look new and the top is still original. It is a cherished family heirloom and bring great joy and found memories of it original owner when it is taken for ride.

072.



Owner(s)
Antti Öfverberg

Location
Vantaa, Finland

Serial number
031920

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
06/86

Owned for over 20 years, exported to Finland in August 2018.

073.



Owner(s)
Swedish Motors Inc.

Location
Mariette, PA, USA

Serial number
032294

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
06/86

For sale on autotrader.com in February 2018 with 168,000 miles and an \$11k asking price. "This Local doctors car comes with complete dealer service history since new. We sold this convertible to its second owner in 1996 and serviced it until it was put in heated storage in 2008. We purchased it from the second owner of nearly 20 years as he was downsizing and sold the house/garage where it was stored. We are in the process of bringing this limited edition first year of production classic convertible back to as-new as possible condition. It runs and drives great and is a unique piece of preserved Saab history. Only 400 of this model ever produced!"

074.



Owner(s)
Gary Bowser

Location
Nashua, NH, USA

Serial number
029327

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
Saab Nashua North

Production date
05/86

This Fabulous Flatnose has done 114,000 miles and has served just two families (four consecutive owners being father son, son father). All paperwork is still with the car.

075.



Owner(s)
Nate Warner

Location
Albany, NY, USA

Serial number
028411

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86

The 028411 originally came from southern California and at some point in 1998 it ended up in Pennsylvania. Nate's wife's uncle bought it at a little import car dealer, with 108,000 miles on it. He drove the 5spd daily for 15 years. It has sat in his barn since then. Only after getting it to her new home in Albany NY, Nate found it does not have a dent in it, and only has small rust issues in the floor, that are soon to be fixed. At the current 235,000 miles, she's in remarkable condition.

076.

Owner(s)
A.K.

Location
Niedersachsen, Germany

Serial number
026481

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86



This car has driven in Georgia, USA, previously and is now in Germany. There are some parts missing or defect, like the sealer on the right wing and the flange for the oil cooler below the filter. Work in progress!

077.



Owner(s)
Piotr

Location
Poland

Serial number
026071

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86

This car was imported to Poland by a man from Krakow, but he reportedly withdrew from the purchase. Piotr learned from a friend that there was "some convertible" to buy. He asked for pictures and these confirmed the year of production, after which he, being a true Saab-collector, bought it right away. This Fabulous Flatnose had a USA Safety Inspection windscreen sticker from Missouri.

078.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Austin, TX, USA

Serial number
025556

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
04/86

Offered on autobidmaster.com at a starting price of \$100. The odometer shows 264,148 miles and this Saab is quite a mess and looks as if it needs full restoration.

079.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
Warwick, RI, USA

Serial number
026379

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
05/86

For sale on ebay in April 2019 with 171,644 miles. Body work was started on this car, donor parts and welding (including adding square mounting holes for an Airflow kit). The transmission oil cooler has been replaced with a larger unit and relocated to the engine compartment. The battery has also been moved to the trunk (though it does still fit in the factory spot). The car does start and run well. The single bid of \$500 won this car...

080.

**Owner(s)**

Ivo

Location

Zaanstad, The Netherlands

Serial number

024729

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

04/86

This longtime known flatnose that was never before identified. Now Ivo has bought it in July 2019, and the Saab is added to the register! It was quite possibly the very first Fabulous Flatnose in the Netherlands, as it was imported in 1991. The first Dutch owner kept it for 15 years and the third for over 10 years. It is in very nice shape.

081.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Myerstown, PA, USA

Serial number

030076

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

SPG kit fitted.

082.

**Owner(s)**

Carson Salter

Location

Warwick, NY, USA

Serial number

028162

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

05/86

Nice example!

083.

**Owner(s)**

Carson Salter

Location

Edwin, The Netherlands

Serial number

021182

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

03/86

This is an early production Fabulous Flatnose from March '86 in great condition.

084.

**Owner(s)**

Patricia Yeska

Location

Washington DC, USA

Serial number

032448

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Jack Safto, Brookfield WI

Production date

06/86

A family friend of Patricia sold used cars at an import dealership in Milwaukee, where she saw the then 4 year old Saab convertible with 78K miles and bought it without even taking it for a test drive. One month later, I drove it to her home in DC and fell in love with it. For the next 4 years it got a weekly car wash and shine, was driven to work daily and serviced by certified Saab mechanics. In 1994, due to a career transfer overseas, the car went back to Wisconsin where it was put in storage and remains there to this day. The first time she knew it was a flatnose was when a man at the gas station pointed it out to her, after asking if she was willing to sell it – which she wasn't!

085.

**Owner(s)**

Jake

Location

Philadelphia, PA, USA

Serial number

020510

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

Zumbach Sports Cars, NJ

Production date

03/86

Up for auction in April 2023 at Philadelphia-based Capital Auto Auction, sold 'as is'. The Saab cranks but doesn't start and was listed as a charity donated vehicle with 62.507 miles. It is a very early example, produced in February or early March 1986. It looks a bit sad, with flat tires, some dents and a nasty rust spot on top of the trunk, but the interior shows a low mileage Saab 900 with a lot of potential. Zumbach Sports Cars from New Jersey license plate frame.

086.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Hickory, NC, USA

Serial number

022667

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

04/86

For sale in November 2022, with only 74,300 miles. A pretty car with wooden gear knob and a fantastic interior, containing the original Clarion audio installation with equalizer.

The production cars – scrapped

Definition

These cars are true Fabulous Flatnose production cars that are no longer around. R.I.P. brave explorers! You have successfully paved the way for the SAAB 900 Convertible pedigree.

S01.



Owner(s)
[scrapped]

Location
USA

Serial number
030989

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
06/86

The YS3AD75L8G7030989 was totaled in an accident and salvaged by Sports Car Service in Wilmington in 1998.

S02.



Owner(s)
[scrapped]

Location
USA

Serial number
N/A

Gearbox type
Automatic

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
N/A

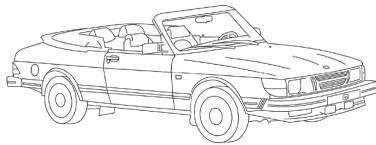
INFO WANTED – The car was owned by 'shaverjeff' and was offered in parts, because 'the undercarriage is so far gone (really beyond reasonable repair)':
<http://www.saabcentral.com/forums/archive/index.php/t-183696.html>.

The production cars – fate unknown

Definition

These cars are true Fabulous Flatnoses, but unclear is if they still exist. Info wanted!

P01.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

032324

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

[no info]

P02.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

United States

Serial number

028433

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

Owner unknown, sold in St. Paul, MN, United States on August 10th, 2010 at 98,300 miles. Car resided in Florida for many years and was repainted. Everything worked except for the trunk lock and the clock.

P03.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

United States

Serial number

025967

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

Owner unknown, sold in Ardmore, PA, United States on September 18th, 2010 at 225,975 miles. The seller had bought the car in Lancaster PA, where it was converted to a manual. Although a repair shop in Phoenixville, PA did a load of work worth \$3,000 in June 2008, it failed to pass the June 2009 inspection due to rust and was therefore offered for sale.

P04.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

United States

Serial number

031942

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

06/86

Owner unknown, sold in Sterling, VA, United States on September 5th, 2009 with 140,000 miles on the clock, but the clock had been replaced, so the actual mileage is unknown. It was sold with a locked differential and some other repairs.

P05.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

United States

Serial number

032707

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

Owner unknown, sold in Peabody, MA, United States on January 14th, 2009 with 108,000 miles. The car was in pretty good shape and had an airconditioner with 134a-conversion at the time. The seller purchased it from the widow of a deceased SAAB-dealer that had it stored in his basement for years with only 57,000 miles on her.

P06.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

United States

Serial number

029736

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

Owner unknown, sold in Arlington, TX, United States on January 20th, 2009 with 168,000 miles, after the original owner traded the car in in El Paso, TX. The car could then us a fresh coat of paint on the hood. The carpet on the driver side had a hole and the clock on the dash didn't work. Apart from that, everything worked perfectly. T&M automotive in Dallas ,TX, had all the mechanics checked and renewed worth \$6,000.

P07.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location *(last known)*

Germany

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

This car used to be a Dutchman's car and is a true Fabulous Flatnose, but it was exported to Germany and the serial number got lost.

Unidentified cars

Definition

These cars may or may not be real Fabulous Flatnoses and may or may not already be in the register; the serial number is unknown. Info is wanted to find out which is which and get it registered!

U01.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
N/A

Serial number
N/A

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Red

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
N/A

This is the MSL130, the official press car for Sweden / Europe, as seen in the official press material (see upper photo) and sales brochures (see lower photo). The SAAB Museum claims this is not a pre-production car, but a production car. I beg to differ on a personal note. This car – strikingly – doesn't have the USA-strips along the fenders as the other pre-production cars do. Judging from the model year 1987 sales brochure, this car was at some point in time converted to a slant nose model (see lower photo). Another possibility is that the MSL130-plates were used on a 1987 convertible during photo shooting.

According to the SAAB Museum, the fate of the MSL130 is unknown. The license number currently is in use for a snow scooter...

U03.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
N/A

Serial number
N/A

Gearbox type
N/A

Color
Silver

Supplying dealer
N/A

Production date
N/A

INFO WANTED

U04.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Finland

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

A screen capture of a 1989 video advertising of a research institute member Tommi Aihkisalo works for. The screen cap features a flatnose convertible in a wind tunnel with Finnish dealer plates.

U05.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

The Netherlands

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Red

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

A very nice red 1986 flatnose convertible, of which no further info is available. The car was showed on the MECC in Maastricht recently. In the picture it's at a SAAB meeting.

U06.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

N/A

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

INFO WANTED, 200,000 miles on 11th of June 2014. No title, needs slave/master cylinder. \$1,200.

U07.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

N/A

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Yellow

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

INFO WANTED – Changed owner on Saabnet.com classifieds in December 2011 at 37,000 miles. Is a 1986 car, but repainted yellow.

U08.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

N/A

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

INFO WANTED – Offered for sale in Greece in 2012.

U09.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Spain

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

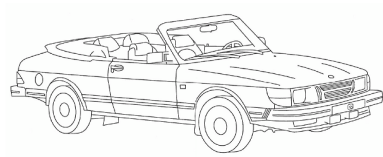
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Production date

N/A

INFO WANTED – Red leather interior

U10.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

Australia

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Pearl

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

Source:

<http://www.saabhistory.com>

Date:

April 9th, 2013

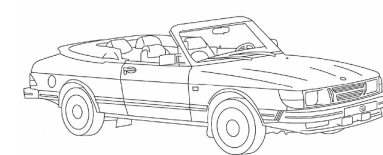
Name:

Alex

Quote:

Hi, I live in Australia. My Father owns a pearl white Saab turbo convertible 1986 or a 1985 model. Very low kilos. Did Saab make limited models to Australia?

U011.

**Owner(s)**

N/A

Location

N/A

Serial number

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Silver

Supplying dealer

N/A

Production date

N/A

Source:

<http://www.saabhistory.com>

Date:

December 3d, 2014

Name:

Glen G.

Quote: I have a 1986 Saab Conv 5 speed, silver /gray, one of the first in the U.S. It only has 8000 miles, my understanding they only came in silver for the first 300 or so 1/ per dealer in the US @ the time!!

Non-original cars

Definition

These cars are not real Fabulous Flatnoses, but they are flat and convertible SAABs 900, so they deserve a glance, don't you think?

N01.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

The Netherlands

Model year

1990

Gearbox type

Manual

Color

White

Engine

2.0 turbo 16v

This car is up for sale at €6,500 in November 2014. The car originates in the United States and was brought to Germany in 2003 by its emigrating owner. It is a 2.0 full pressure turbo with intercooler, Bilstein shock absorbers, 2 centimeter lowered springs, and an original Clarion for Saab radio with equalizer.

N02.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

United States

Model year

1987

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Edwardian

Engine

2.0 turbo 16v

Originally a 1987 SPG convertible.

N03.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

N/A

Model year

1990

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Edwardian

Engine

N/A

N04.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

N/A (Italy?)

Model year

N/A

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

White

Engine

N/A

N05.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

The Netherlands

Model year

1988

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

White

Engine

2.0 turbo 16

For sale at (in the end) €4,500 in the summer of 2014

N06.



Owner(s)

N/A

Location

Cabrières, France

Model year

1988

Gearbox type

Automatic

Color

Red

Engine

2.0 turbo 16

For sale on October 11th, 2014, with 137.000 kilometers, US front and cloth interior.

N07.



Owner(s)

Adrian Butterworth

Location

UK

Model year

1993

Gearbox type

N/A

Color

Red

Engine

2.0 turbo 16

Converted for more classic looks.

N08.



Owner(s)
N/A

Gearbox type
N/A

[no info]

Color
Black

Location
N/A

Engine
N/A

Model year
N/A

N09.



Owner(s)
N/A

Gearbox type
N/A

[no info]

Color
Black

Location
N/A

Engine
N/A

Model year
N/A

N10.



Owner(s)
N/A

Gearbox type
N/A

[no info]

Color
Gold

Location
N/A

Engine
N/A

Model year
N/A

N11.



Owner(s)
N/A

Gearbox type
N/A

[no info]

Color
Grey

Location
N/A

Engine
N/A

Model year
N/A

N12.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
UK

Model year
1984

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Red

Engine
2.0 injection

One of two Saab 900i conversions by Lynx Motors International Ltd. About 90,000 miles. For sale in July 2014 at £9,950.

N13.



Owner(s)
N/A

Location
UK

Model year
1984

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Blue

Engine
2.0 injection

One of two Saab 900i conversions by Lynx Motors International Ltd. This car was beyond repair due to rust.

N14.



Owner(s)
E.N.

Location
Norfolk, UK

Model year
1992

Gearbox type
N/A

Color
Black

Engine
N/A

For sale in September, 2015 in Norfolk, UK, stating: "900 turbo good condition a few minor marks (she is over 20yrs old) mot jan 2016 £2000 ono"

N15.



Owner(s)
Richard Shuben

Location
Canoga Park, CA

Model year
1993

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
LeMans

Engine
B202

Based on a vision of what the ultimate 900 should look like: flatnosed, Euro headlights, red box APC, Aero wheels and without side mouldings.

N16.



Owner(s)
Tim Westra

Location
The Netherlands

Model year
1991

Gearbox type
Manual

Color
Black

Engine
B202

Converted by Tim himself, using parts from his crashed 1986 900i. Black body, Arizona-beige leather.