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996.1 Performance Driver Build

A brochure-style look at the green 996 and the upgrades that shaped it.

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The Car

This document is a brochure for the Tej Drives 996.1. It is not a parts guide and not a prep checklist. It exists so a visitor can quickly understand what has been done to the car, why the build has a driver-focused personality, and how the visual choices support the same purpose.

Car	Porsche 911 Carrera 996.1	Build direction	Performance driver car
Visual identity	Gloss bottle-green wrap	Use case	Older 911, real-road feel
Stance / look	Ducktail, front aero look, 997-style wheels	Driving character	Sharper, more connected, still usable



Build Snapshot

The 996.1 is built around feel, presence, and usable performance. The car is not trying to be a GT3 clone or a show-only build. The upgrades work together: suspension stance, wheel/tire presence, brake confidence, shifter feel, sound, wrap, ducktail, and front aero all give the car a clear identity.

CHASSIS

Suspension stance

H&R; spring setup on stock shocks after moving away from a coilover setup that did not fit the intended road feel.

GRIP

Wheels & tires

997-style 19-inch wheels with Michelin Pilot tires give the car a stronger visual stance and a more serious driver-road presence.

STOPPING

Brake refresh

Rear pads were replaced and brake fluid was flushed using a Motive-style pressure bleeder setup.

INTERACTION

Shift feel

Shorter, heavier, more intentional shift feel with a weighted shift-knob direction.

SOUND

Sound character

Gundo-hack style exhaust tone gives the flat-six more presence while keeping the car usable.

LOOK

Exterior identity

Gloss bottle-green wrap, ducktail, aggressive front aero look, and splitter attitude make the car recognizable.

Suspension & Chassis Feel

The suspension direction changed the character of the car. The build moved away from a bounce-prone, over-adjustable coilover experience and into an H&R; spring setup on stock shocks. The result is simpler, cleaner, and more aligned with the way the car is actually used.

SUSPENSION

H&R; spring setup

Gives the car a lower, more purposeful stance without turning the whole build into an adjustment project.

SUSPENSION

Stock shock pairing

Keeps the car approachable and road-friendly instead of chasing a harsh track-car feel.

SUSPENSION

Road-focused stance

The car sits with more intent while still being usable enough for normal roads, loading, and real driving.

SUSPENSION

Driver impression

The suspension choice supports the theme of the car: mature, settled, and built for feel rather than spec-sheet flex.

Wheels, Tires & Brakes

The wheel, tire, and brake setup is a major part of the car. It gives the 996.1 a more modern stance and backs up the look with the basic performance pieces that matter to a driver.

WHEELS

997-style 19-inch wheels

Modernizes the 996 shape and gives the car a stronger, more planted road presence.

TIRES

Michelin Pilot tires

The tire setup supports grip, confidence, and a serious driver-car personality.

FITMENT

Larger rear tire direction

The rear fitment gives the car a wider, stronger stance from the back and supports the planted look.

BRAKES

Rear brake pads

Rear pads have been replaced as part of making the car feel ready and trustworthy.

BRAKES

Brake fluid flush

Fluid was flushed with a Motive-style pressure bleeder setup to support better pedal confidence.

RESULT

Overall effect

The car looks sharper, feels more intentional, and reads as a 996 that has been built with driver use in mind.

Shifter Feel & Sound

A driver build is not only about grip. The way the car sounds and the way it feels in the hand are part of why an older Porsche becomes memorable. This 996.1 leans into that mechanical connection.

SHIFT FEEL

Short-shift character

The shift action is part of the build personality: shorter, more deliberate, and more connected than a loose stock-feeling setup.

TOUCH POINT

Weighted knob direction

The weighted shift feel adds a more mechanical, satisfying interaction every time the driver reaches for the next gear.

SOUND

Gundo-hack exhaust tone

The exhaust direction gives the flat-six more character without turning the car into an obnoxious, unusable road car.

BALANCE

Driver-car balance

The goal is presence, not noise for noise sake. The sound supports the driving experience instead of overpowering it.

Build note

The sound and shift changes matter because they are felt every time the car moves. They make the 996.1 feel less anonymous and more like a proper older 911 driver car.

Exterior Identity

The car has a clear visual identity: gloss bottle green, ducktail, front aero attitude, and a wheel setup that makes the 996 shape feel more mature and intentional. This is the part of the build people notice first, but it works because it matches the driver-car direction.

COLOR

Gloss bottle-green wrap

The wrap gives the car its signature Tej Drives look and separates it from the typical silver, black, or gray 996 crowd.

AERO

Ducktail rear profile

The ducktail adds classic Porsche attitude while keeping the car clean and restrained.

FRONT END

Aggressive front/aero look

The front bumper and splitter style sharpen the face of the car and give it a more serious road presence.

STYLE

Mature aggression

The build looks modified without becoming a fake race car. That restraint is part of the identity.



Completed Build Details

This is the simple readout of the car as it sits in the Tej Drives story: the visible changes, the driver-feel changes, and the supporting work already part of the build.

Area	What is on the car
Suspension	H&R; spring setup on stock shocks; moved away from a coilover direction that did not fit the road-car feel.
Wheels	997-style 19-inch wheels.
Tires	Michelin Pilot tire setup with a stronger rear tire direction.
Brakes	Rear brake pads replaced; brake fluid flushed using a Motive-style pressure bleeder.
Shifter	Short/quick-shift feel with weighted shift-knob direction.
Exhaust	Gundo-hack style exhaust sound for more flat-six character.
Wrap	Gloss bottle-green exterior identity.
Rear aero	Ducktail rear look.
Front aero	Aggressive front bumper/splitter style.
Build theme	An older 911 shaped around road feel, presence, and driver connection.

What This 996.1 Represents

This car is the Tej Drives proof of concept: an older Porsche that has been made sharper, more personal, and more useful as a driver car without losing the simple appeal of the 996 platform.

BUILD IDENTITY

Not a horsepower build

The car is not defined by chasing big power. It is defined by suspension feel, tire setup, brake confidence, sound, shifting, and road presence.

BUILD IDENTITY

Not a show-only build

The wrap, ducktail, wheels, and aero make the car recognizable, but the whole package still points back to driving.

BUILD IDENTITY

Not a fake race car

The car has aggressive details, but the build stays mature. It looks serious without pretending to be something it is not.

BUILD IDENTITY

A driver-focused 996

The final impression is simple: a green 996.1 with stance, sound, grip, visual identity, and the kind of feel that makes people understand why these cars matter.