

Always Coca-Cola! Italian is the real tin man



Coke crazy ... Sweet-toothed Davide has a can from almost every country and some over 50 years old

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A MAN has collected more than 10,000 cans of Coca-Cola from all over the world since he was a teen.

Davide Andreani, 39, from Pesaro, Italy, was 15 when he started gathering commemorative and special edition cans from almost every country in the world, apart from Cuba and North Korea who don't sell the drink.

Explaining how he started his collection, Davide said: "I started to love collecting them when I was young. "My father would come back from a European business trip and give me the small 150ml cans from the aeroplane or cans with special designs that he had picked up in foreign cities."

His oldest can is a 1959 flat top 'diamond' can, so-called because of the design.

He also has cans from Nicaragua and Namibia, as well as a Ghostbuster's can from Puerto Rico.



Some-tin special ... Davide's Coca-Cola tin can collection

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Davide has even got his hands on special edition employee cans made by factories in Italy for their workers.

Gold cans, which celebrate special anniversaries or plant openings fetch the most. He said: "In the can world, the rarest gold cans can be sold for between \$400 and \$500 (£430)."

Davide does have a few problems though. He says he is missing several cans from his collection as he displays in 'missing' lists on his website. www.davideandreani.com

He also can't display all of his cans and has to keep half his collection in the garage.

"Unfortunately, the only downside is the space - I need so much. Now I can only display about half of my collection."

On his website, he says he would need a castle to show them all off.

Davide does profit from his collection however and is currently selling a six-can collection from 1991 commemorating Singapore's freedom for \$500!