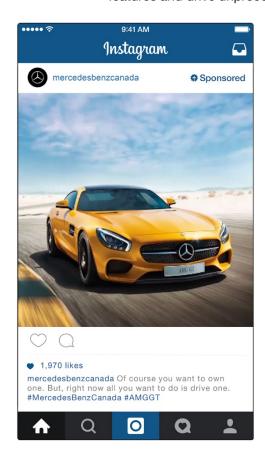
Instagram | Business Success Story



## Taking a Victory Lap

Realizing Instagram's potential as a cornerstone platform to inspire current and potential luxury car owners, Mercedes-Benz Canada used photo and video ads to launch new automobiles, announce high-end driving features and drive unprecedented ad recall and lift in brand favourability with its' audience.

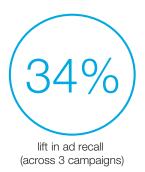


Creating and sharing our brand stories through Instagram has, in a very short time, proven to be a very compelling platform for the Mercedes-Benz brand. Instagram's rich images and videos allow us to showcase our new luxury automobiles and unique driving features – only now to a much broader audience.

Gavin Allen, Vice President of Marketing, Mercedes-Benz Canada

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**STORY** 

## Life in the fast lane

With a history that stretches back over a century to the first fuel-powered vehicles, and a legacy of motorsport and luxury driving excellence, Mercedes-Benz Canada is one of the most recognized and best-selling automotive brands in the world. Looking forward, it continues in the same spirit of innovation, designing cars for today's drivers.

GOAL

## Putting Canadians in the driver's seat

Using this visually-rich platform as a key component of their multi-channel campaigns, Mercedes-Benz Canada used Instagram to showcase its new automobiles and high-end driving features, to drive brand awareness and engage with its target audiences.

SOLUTION

## Steering in the right direction

Mercedes-Benz Canada ran three unique campaigns showcasing three products for a few different target audiences. For the launch of the smart fortwo city car, they created a series of carousel ads showing a pint-sized vehicle navigating the narrow alleys and tight parking spots—appealing to the practical buyer mindset.

To cultivate authenticity with its Canadian audience, the campaign showcased the brand's 4MATIC™ all-wheel drive system with a series of image ads highlighting traction, control and driving in icy conditions.

To develop the aspirational aspect of the brand, Mercedes-Benz Canada launched its AMG GT coupe using the Instagram moving picture format, coupled with an existing series of racing videos to evoke the driving excitement of the high-tech dream car.

By embracing Instagram as the keystone platform to drive brand metrics, Mercedes-Benz Canada saw a lift in ad recall of up to 34% across its entire campaign series with the highest bump among their key demographic of 25-34 year-olds. Additionally, this campaign achieved a significant six-point lift in brand favourability with its' male audience!