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STUNT: Duve, seated, Bidon and blow-up Renault

Picture: STEWART FERGUSON

Well, it's only an old banger!

TOURISTS' mouths dropped open when a car exploded and blew apart in the centre of Edinburgh yesterday. But it was only the controversial Circus Archaos pulling its latest stunt to advertise its appearance at the Festival Fringe. The 10-year-old Renault was

driven by Stephan Duve, 33, from Germany, who created the car after joining the circus four months ago. His passenger was the French troupe's artistic director, Pierrot Bidon. They planned a different venue for the stunt but anxious police made them change it.