

CLASSIC DRIVER



1959 Alfa Romeo Giulietta - Sprint Veloce

Sprint Veloce

Lot sold	USD 79 000 - 99 000	Lenkung	Links
Baujahr	1959	Innenfarbe	Schwarz
Kilometerstand	26 636 km / 16 551 mi	Zustand	Restauriert
Getriebe	Schaltgetriebe	Standort	
Chassisnummer	1463 08689	Kraftstoff	Benzin
Zahl der Sitze	4	Außenfarbe	Rot
Anzahl der Türen	2	Automobiltyp	Coupé
Antrieb	Zweirad		
Losnummer	8		

Beschreibung

One California Owner for 30 Years

This Giulietta is a wonderful driving car, delivering the perfect amount of power, routed through a positive and precise feeling clutch and crunch-free 5 speed gearbox. Roadholding is excellent. Cosmetically, the car presents as a well preserved and high quality older restoration.

This Car's Past

This 1959 Alfa Giulietta Sprint Veloce is a tastefully upgraded and fully restored car that lived most of its life with one owner in Northern California. According to Centro Documentazione Alfa Romeo this Sprint was manufactured on March 21st 1959 and was sold on April 17th 1959 to Hoffman Motor Car Co, New York. From our research, this 750B series chassis is an interim car that has 101 taillights but retains the early still grill and eyebrow chrome grille trim. This sprint has completed two New England 1000 tours and has recently undergone a recommissioning, which included a rebuild of the engine, transmission and brakes. Unlike some worked street motors, this 2.0L exhibits a very docile personality, firing up easily and settling into a nice, even idle. The engine compartment is tidy and

attractive but not overly detailed. The headlights are covered in a yellow film that can be removed if desired.

History of The Model

Considered the forerunner of all the modern GT's, the Giulietta Sprint proved to be a runaway success and represented a turning point for Bertone. Even though this car came about almost by chance. In 1954, to make up for the delayed launch of the new Giulietta, Alfa Romeo commissioned Nuccio Bertone to create the coupé version of the new 1300, with 1,000 units to be produced. At the Turin Motor Show in 1954, when it was presented, 700 reservations were taken. Bertone took up the challenge and the factory in corso Peschiera was equipped to mass-produce the body of the new car, until production levels called for a move to the new plant at Grugliasco. From 1954 to 1965 only 3,058 units of the Giulietta Sprint Veloce were produced.

Restoration

In the late 1990s the car was restored in Oregon. The car was fitted with a 2.0L motor running 10:1 pistons, European cams, Webers, a custom fabricated exhaust and Marelli-Plex igniton. The car was also fitted with Boranni wire wheels and drilled brake drums. The interior, which is thought to be largely original, has been fitted with new carpets and later Giulia Super gauges. A beautiful and rare Les Leston Wood steering wheel is stunning to look at and works well with the delicate and light steering feel of the car. Panel fit is extremely nice and even. The paint still has a nice luster, with only minimal signs of age. The floors and rockers are believed to be all original and the car is rust free.

Market Trend

The only recent public sale of a Sprint Veloce was a very special Allegrita which sold for \$144,326 at a London Auction in 2015. Alfa Sprints of this era have been climbing in value at a sustainable rate over the past few years, with special-bodied cars like Speciale's and Veloce's, leading the pack in appreciation. Average to good condition Sprint Veloce's on the open European market are listed at prices hovering around \$100,000. So, the estimate at which this car is offered should be considered good value when taking into account this car's condition and long-term USA ownership history.

Summary

A beautifully sorted Giuleta that is the perfect ride for any touring event. Tastefully sorted with an upgraded engine, 5-speed transmission, Boranni wheels and more, this car is as sexy to look at as it is to drive. The thirty year California ownership history, rally history and restoration history add significantly to this car's desirability and value.

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