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Bonhams Ferrari & Maserati at Gstaad 17th December 2006 - Preview



As in previous years, Bonhams will be offering a select number of Ferraris for sale at its annual Gstaad Sale. This year however, the catalogue has been augmented by entries from that other great Italian marque, Maserati. Amongst several examples entered, is this **1961 Maserati Tipo 63** estimated at CHF650,000 - 950,000, the car that Bruce McLaren and Walt Hansgen drove at Le Mans in 1961, the car fitted at the time with a 3.0 litre V12.

Another ex-Peter Kaus Rosso Bianco Collection car (that Bonhams have skilfully inserted in sales throughout the year), this rear-engined 'birdcage' now comes with a Maserati 2.4 litre 4-cylinder, a set-up that was original for these cars but changed as racing demands dictated ever more power. As Bonhams say, the car is "equally poised to be reunited by some kind new owner with the type of 3-litre V12-cylinder engine used in its heyday".

In 1962 at Le Mans, Maserati – with the aid of wealthy privateers like Briggs Cunningham – produced the mighty 450S-engine coupés, the Tip 151 series, that would run at the famous 24 Hours for the next few years - without much success it has to be said. Two cars are entered at Gstaad, the ex-Bill Kimberly/Dr Dick Thompson/Augie Pabst, Briggs Cunningham Le Mans Team **1962 Maserati Tipo 151/006** for CHF1,100,000 - 1,400,000, and a **1964-type Maserati Tipo 151/3** at CHF250,000 - 350,000. the vast difference in price reflecting the former's originality and the latter's status as an 'homage' built especially for Kaus, nicely constructed from many original parts.

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1962 Maserati Tipo 151 - CHF1,100,000 -
1,400,000

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1971 Ferrari 365GTB/4 'Daytona' - CHF270,000 -
290,000

The history of Maserati at this time is never the simplest, and for the full details on all of these ex-racing sports prototypes it's best to visit [Bonhams website](#) for chapter and verse on the subject.

Racing cars apart, the catalogue has most of the post-war **Ferrari** and **Maserati** road car boxes checked. There's a **1971 Ferrari 365GTB/4 'Daytona'** at CHF270,000 - 290,000, and a later rival from nearby Modena, a **1977 Maserati Khamsin Coupé** for CHF55,000 - 70,000. The latter is part of the Property of a Dutch Gentleman, and this section of the sale also includes a **1969 Ferrari 365GTB/4 'Daytona' Spyder Conversion** for CHF300,000 - 350,000.

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1964 Ferrari 250GT Lusso Berlinetta -
CHF400,000 - 450,000

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1972 Ferrari Dino 246GTS Spyder -
CHF150,000 - 200,000

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1965 Maserati Tipo 65 - CHF650,000 - 950,000 **1977 Maserati Khamsin Coupé** - CHF55,000 -
70,000

Dinos are all the rage at the moment, and Bonhams have a single family ownership from new **1972 Ferrari Dino 246GTS Spyder** for CHF150,000 - 200,000, and for those looking for that elusive 'next big thing at reasonable money that no-one else has spotted yet', may we suggest the **1976 Ferrari 308GTB 'Vetroresina'** (or fibre-glass) Coupé at CHF50,000 - 60,000? You heard it here first.

Prior to the Motor Car Sale, Bonhams will auction a variety of Automobilia including Toys, Models and Paintings. One of the 130+ lots is a **1/5 scale model Ferrari 250GTO**, chassis #3757, the Dernier/Blaton car that finished third overall at Le Mans in 1962. Estimate: CHF10,500 - 12,500.

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