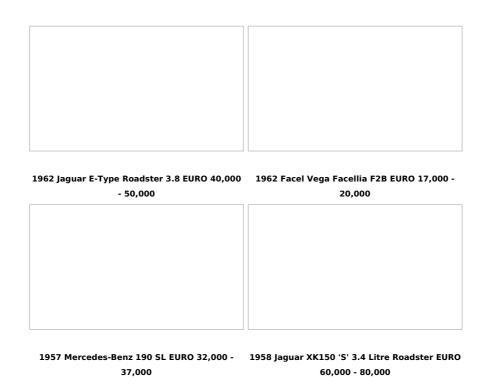
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Coys 'Grandes Marques' at Maastricht 13th Jan 2007



With a 50 car entry of pre- and post-war cars and motorbikes, Coys will be visiting Maastricht as part of the Interclassics and Topmobiel exhibition next week. Top billing must go to the 1954 Talbot Lago T26 Gran Sport estimated at EURO 120,000 - 150,000, but Coys will be hoping there's something for everyone in the catalogue.

The **Talbot Lago T26** was presented at the 1953 Paris Show. Priced at 2,775,000 Francs it was easily the most expensive car there, but did offer a GP and Le Mans ancestry thanks to its lusty 4-litre straight six engine. Styled in-house, rather than by the famous pre-war coachbuilder of choice by the company, Figoni & Falaschi, the two seater coupe is a typical early '50s design in good company with examples of Aston Martin and Ferrari of the period – but a much rarer sight nowadays.



Moving on nearly 10 years, and another French classic of the same genre is the **1962 Facel Vega Facellia F2B**. A little like a 'baby Aston' these four-cylinder cars were intended to be a budget version of the big V8 GTs with all the attributes of hand-crafting but with an economy motor. Painted in dark red with a red interior and the classic 'wood-effect' dash the car is estimated at EURO 17,000 – 20,000. And on a strikingly similar basis, the **1932 Invicta 12/45 Tourer**, at EURO 55,000 - 65,000, was a pre-war attempt to make a cheaper version of a big-capacity sports car at a time of economic uncertainty. Resplendent in RAF blue with burgundy interior, I like this, a nice car for VSCC events in 2007.

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1932 Invicta 12/45 Tourer EURO 55,000 -	1990 Mercedes-Benz 190 E 2.5-16 Evolution II

On the pre-war front Coys also have at a Maastricht a rare **1921 Hispano Suiza H6B Tourer by Flood of Melbourne** for EURO 200,000 - 250,000, and an attractive **1929 Minerva AR 6 Light Saloon** at EURO 55,000 - 62,000, as well as a **1939 Rolls-Royce Wraith**, EURO 26,000 - 32,000.

EURO 29,000 - 34,000

Moving further up to date there's a couple of LHD TRs, a **1959 Triumph TR3 A** (EURO 10,000 - 14,000) and a 1965 Triumph TR4 A (EURO 15,000 - 20,000) as well as the famous one-off **1966 Jaguar E-Type S1 4.2 FHC by Frua** at EURO 45,000 - 55,000. This car was commissioned by **the** John Coombs in the mid-sixties and debuted at the 1966 Earls Court Motor Show.



1921 Hispano Suiza H6B Tourer by Flood of1965 Lotus Elan S2 Drophead EURO 12,000 -Melbourne EURO 200,000 - 250,00015,000

A personal favourite? The Talbot Lago is nice but our money is on the 'Santorini Perlato Metal'-painted **1976 De Tomaso Pantera GTS** at EURO 45,000 – 55,000. Nice car and colour combination.

Prior to the motor car sale Coys will be offering a selection of automobilia including several scale models and photographs.

The Sale will be held at:

Interclassics & Topmobiel Maastricht The Netherlands

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Auction contact numbers from 11th - 13th January 2007: Telephone +31 43 3838631, Fax +31 43 3838634.

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