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Coys at Blenheim Palace 5th July 2008 - Preview



Coys has assembled a bumper 81-car entry for its forthcoming summer sale. Included in the catalogue is this 1972 Maserati Ghibli 4.7 Coupé, one of a handful of rhd cars and estimated at £40,000 - 45,000.

The Maserati is one of three 'Trident' cars at Blenheim, the others being a **1964 Maserati 3500 GTi Sebring** for £22,000 - 26,000, and a **1964 Maserati Mistral by Frua** for £18,000 - 24,000. Arch-rivals from 'over the road' in the Modena area, **Ferrari**, also have four entries, the highlight of which must be the **1972 Ferrari 246 GT Dino**. Estimated at £85,000 - 95,000, the car is described as 'without doubt one of the nicest of the original 488 [Dinos] imported to Britain.'



1989 De Tomaso Pantera GTS 5 - £40,000 - 50.000

1935 Mercedes-Benz 500 K Cabriolet C - Refer

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Italian entries apart, Coys has a broad cross-section of collectable motor cars on offer that also features a separate 'Jaguar Legend' section. In the latter are several examples of **E-type**, including a **1974 Jaguar E-Type SIII 'Commemorative Edition'**, one of the last 50 cars to be built. It's estimated at £70,000 - 90,000, and for those with smaller pockets there's also a **1970 Jaguar E-type Series II Roadster**, reasonably priced at £18,000 - 22,000.



Aston Martin enthusiasts will like the two **DB5s** on offer (a 1965 red car for £115,000 - 145,000, and a Silver Birch 1964 example at £140,000 - 160,000), while, as always, Coys has some quality **pre-War** entries from **Bentley** and **Rolls-Royce**.



The latter marque provides two of the most interesting cars in the sale. The **1930 Rolls-Royce Phantom II Dual Cowl Super Sports Phaeton 'Experimental'** (Refer Department) is a magnificent machine in the 'Maharajah' style, while the **1926 Rolls-Royce Phantom I Pall Mall Tourer** (£80,000 - 95,000, pictured above) is a sporting Rolls in the tradition of the Silver Ghost.

We like the 1937 Bentley 41/4 Litre All Weather Tourer by Thrupp & Maberly (£100,000 - 130,000), too.



1959 Mercedes-Benz 300SL Roadster £260,000 1974 Jaguar E-type SIII V12 Commemorative - 280,000 Edition - £70,000 - 90,000

There is, of course, a 1930s 'Kompressor' Mercedes in the sale, in the form of the **1935 Mercedes-Benz 500 K Cabriolet C**. It's a 'Refer Department' for price car, rare in rhd and imposing, to say the least.

Coys has become something of a specialist in TV and film cars, so enthusiasts for **Batman** (**Yamaha DS5** 'The **Batbike & Sidecar**', £7,000 - 10,000, and the **1979 Lincoln Continental** 'The **Batmobile**', £80,000 - 90,000) will have something to spend their money on. There's also a **2381BC** 'The **Bedrock Buggy'** resplendent in faux-rock finish for £1,000 - 3,000. Not sure about the NCAP figures on that one...



1966 Ford Shelby Mustang - Refer Department 1994 Bentley Continental R - £38,000 - 45,000



1969 Ferrari 365 GT 2+2 - £55,000 - 65,000

1964 Maserati 3500 GTi Sebring - £22,000 - 26,000

Finally, it's not Scottsdale or Monterey, but the Coys auction team has some interesting US muscle at attractive prices. How about the Sublime Green **1970 Dodge Challenger 383 R/T** for £18,000 - 22,000, or the **1967 Dodge Coronet 440 R/T** at £10,000 - 12,000?

Before the motor cars, Coys will sell several sporting guns, shooting accessories and automobilia.

The Coys Blenheim Palace Auction to include the Jaguar Legend Sale

Blenheim Palace Woodstock Oxfordshire

Saturday 5th July 2008

Sporting Guns: 12.30pm Collectors' Items to follow

Motor Cars: 3.00pm

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