
Bonhams to Sell James Bond's Lotus Esprit at Olympia

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With 007-fever sweeping London, it's worth remembering that Bond was not exclusively an Aston man, spending some time under the waves at the wheel of a white Esprit.

The famous 'amphibious' Lotus starred alongside Roger Moore and Barbara Bach in the 1977 film *The Spy Who Loved Me*. Two cars were used for filming and Bonhams will sell one, estimated at £100,000 – 120,000, at its London Olympia auction on 1st December.

The Bond car is one of 98 motor cars in the sale – full preview to come on Classic Driver.

Also on the Bond front, the registration number 'AU 1' (fitted to Goldfinger's Rolls-Royce Phantom III) will be included in the Olympia catalogue. It was the first registration issued in Nottingham, the significance of AU being – as all our chemistry students will know – that it's the symbol for gold in the Periodic Table.

It is likely to sell for more than £80,000.

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