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## Coys at Auto Moto d'Epoca, Padova 23 October 2010 - Preview

1963 Maserati 3500 GTi - 30,000 - 40,000 euros

Coys will hold its annual Italian sale at Padova later this month. Always a successful event for the London-based company, this year's catalogue lists 72 collectors' cars, scooters and motorcycles.

We've written about the high percentage of 'local' content in previous Coys Padova sales, and this year is no exception, with six Ferraris, four Maseratis, several Alfa Romeos, a Bizzarrini, a De Tomaso Pantera (a 1979 GTS, for 40,000 - 45,000 euros) and many more, varied Italian entries from Fiat, Lancia and Abarth.

The Ferraris are headed by a 'Refer Dept.' 1961 250 GT and also number a 1972 365 GTC/4 for 100,000 -120,000 euros, a 2001 550 Barchetta (with less than 1600km from new, at 125,000 - 140,000 euros) and a good-value 1974 Dino 308 GT4 at 19,000 - 24,000 euros. The perfect entry-level Ferrari.



1971 Maserati Ghibli 4900 SS - 80,000 -100,000 euros

1961 Ferrari 250 GT - Refer Dept.

Fans of the **Trident** can take their pick from two **1971 Ghibli 4900 SSs**: a stunning, three owners from new Blu Sera/Tobacco car for 50,000 - 60,000 euros and a red and very 1970s white hide example for 50,000 -60,000 euros. We always like Maserati 3500 GTis, and the gold 1963 car (30,000 - 40,000 euros) looks an excellent alternative to a similar-age Aston DB4 - for a quarter of the price.

Finally, on the Italian front, in a catalogue filled with mostly post-War machinery, there's a sublime example of early Carrozzeria Stabilimenti Farina coachwork in the 1935 Lancia Astura Coupé. Estimated at 180,000 - 230,000 euros, the painstakingly restored two-door coupé won the *Trofeo* Lancia for the most elegant example of the marque at Villa D'Este in 2000.

1985 Sbarro Ford GT40 - Refer Dept.

Elsewhere in the sale, there's an intriguing 'No Reserve' 1990 Cizeta Moroder (originally destined for the Sultan of Brunei, and now packing a Ferrari V12, rather than in-house V16 engine), a very modish 1968 Citroën DS21 Décapotable (110,000 - 130,000 euros), and one of the greats: a 1956 Porsche 356 **Speedster**, for 130,000 - 150,000 euros.

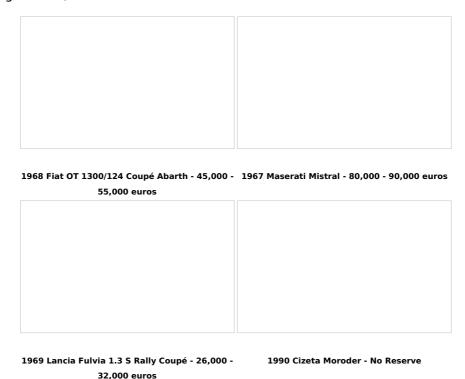


1969 Mercedes-Benz 280SL - 20,000 - 28,000 1966 Ferrari 330 GT 2+2 Series II - 75,000 -

85,000 euros

**engineer, Franco Sbarro** – who worked on the team's privateer **GT40** entries in the 60s – the car is so faithful a reproduction of the iconic original that it has recently been granted its new **2010 FIA HTP** papers. 'Refer Dept.', please, for price.

Finishing on a "Well, I wouldn't have expected to see one of THOSE in Italy..." note, let's look at the **1951 Bristol 401** (29,000 - 35,000 euros). Its British Racing Green paintwork, beige and brown interior and rasping straight-six engine is as British as waxed-cotton jackets and hand-made shoes from Jermyn St – both very popular among Italians, as I am sure this car will be.



Prior to the motor cars, Coys will sell a variety of collectors' items including an **Alfa Romeo Supercharger**, **ca, 1930 - 1931 with two lobes**. Estimate: 7000 - 9000 euros.

#### The Coys Auto Moto d'Epoca Sale will be held at:

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