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Coys at Blenheim Palace 16 July 2011: Preview

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1965 Jaguar E-type Series I 4.2 Litre Roadster: £45,000 - £55,000

‘The Jaguar Legend’ is the subtitle to Coys’ forthcoming Blenheim Palace sale, and it’s a well-timed one, as the British company is riding high in the sales charts for modern cars and this year celebrates the sublime E-type’s 50th.

Yes, they did make a lot of E-types, but part of the pleasure of ownership is finding a good one, and Coys has 10 to choose from at Blenheim. The selection starts with a 1971 Series III 2+2 (£10,000 - 15,000) and goes all the way up to a clearly beautifully prepared, ‘Refer Dept.’ 1961 SI ‘Aluminium lightweight Roadster’.

The car you see at the top of the page, a 1965 Series I 4.2 Litre Roadster ticks all the boxes: nice mid-range estimate of £45,000 - £55,000; perfect colour combination of Opalescent Silver Grey over red hide; a left-hand drive, original ‘dry state’ car. The vendor is awaiting new chrome wire wheels and tyres which will be fitted prior to sale – a nice E-type.

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1977 Alpine A 110 Renault: £35,000 - 40,000

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‘Chitty Chitty Bang Bang’ Display Vehicle, Beaulieu Motor Museum: ‘Refer Dept.’

The other Jaguars include four XK120 Roadsters with estimates ranging from £48,000 to £80,000 and a 1959 XK150 Drop Head Coupé for £45,000 - 50,000.

Jaguar saloon enthusiasts have a good number of cars to look at, too, with some interesting entries that include a good, ‘fun’ historic racer (the 1959 MK I at £17,000 - 22,000), a manual + overdrive 1958 Mk VIII (rare, and do I hear “a lot of car for the money” at £13,000 - 22,000?) and the getaway driver’s favourite, a 1967 Jaguar MK 2 3.8 manual + overdrive (£8000 - 15,000? - a steal).

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1967 Lancia Flaminia Touring Convertible: £35,000 - 40,000

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1951 Jaguar XK120 Roadster: £48,000 - £55,000

In all, 22 cars in the 85-car catalogue are Jaguars, so there are plenty of other entries for those not bitten by the Jaguar bug. One of the highlights is the concours-winning, two-owner 1989 Ferrari F 40. ‘Refer Dept.’ for price on this one please, a Ferrari Classiche-certified car which has covered just over 3500 miles in the last 20 years.

Other Ferraris include two 512 ‘Boxers’ (a 1978 carb car for £70,000 - 85,000 and a 1982 ‘i’ for £65,000 - 75,000) and an Argento-with-blue-hide 1971 365 GTB/4 ‘Daytona’ at £150,000 - 170,000.

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1989 Ferrari F40 - Two-Owner Ferrari Concours Winner: ‘Refer Dept.’

Reinforcing its longstanding reputation as a pre-War car specialist, Coys will offer a variety of elegant motor cars, perfectly suited to the stately home surroundings at Blenheim. The 1927 Rolls-Royce Phantom I Open Tourer by Hooper & Co (£140,000 - 170,000) is one of three pre-War Phantoms catalogued, while the 1931 Bentley 8 Litre - originally supplied to HRH the Duke of Kent - is pretty much everyone’s idea of a vintage Bentley, all for £600,000 - 700,000.

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1931 Frazer Nash Pre-War Boulogne II: £95,000 - 110,000

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1953 Bentley R Type Continental, Fastback by Mulliner: £290,000 - 330,000

Eight Aston Martins will make their way to Blenheim, and prospective buyers will be able to choose from the entry-level-to-Newport-Pagnell-Aston-ownership 1990 Virage Coupé (£12,000 - 15,000) to the £95,000 - 115,000, 1958 DB Mk III. There’s also the saleroom’s favourite, a ‘barn find’, in the form of the LHD 1958 DB Mark III, originally sold into Canada and only recently repatriated from the Toronto region, for £60,000 - 80,000.

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1958 Aston Martin DB Mark III: £60,000 - 80,000

Of the other entries, we rather fancy the 1967 Lancia Flaminia Touring Convertible (£35,000 - 40,000), appreciate the Gallic sportiness of the 1977 Alpine-Renault A110 (£35,000 - 40,000) and look forward to Chris Routledge and Douglas Jamieson performing an impromptu version of *Me Ol’ Bam-Boo* when Lot 166,

the 'Refer Dept.' Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Display Vehicle comes up for sale.

The Coys Blenheim Palace sale, featuring 'The Jaguar legend', is at Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, Oxfordshire OX20 1PP.

Saturday 16 July 2011

Motor Cars at 14:30

Admission by catalogue only - admits two to auction.

To see the complete lotlisting of the Coys 16 July Blenheim Palace sale, please click [HERE](#), or you can see all the cars in the [Classic Driver car database](#).

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