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1963 Aston Martin Lagonda - Rapide Sports Saloon

Rapide Sports Saloon

Lot sold	USD 83 527 - 111 369 GBP 60 000 - 80 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1963	Interior colour	Other
Gearbox	Manual	Condition	Used
Chassis number	LR/129/R	Location	
Drivetrain	2wd	Fuel type	Petrol
Interior type	Leather	Exterior colour	Other
		Car type	Saloon
		Engine number	400/129
		Exterior brand colour	Aegean Blue
		Interior brand colour	White Gold

Description

Footnotes

Aston Martin revived a famous Lagonda name in 1961 with a luxurious four-door sports saloon that took its appellation from one of the marque's most exalted models of the late 1930s: the Rapide. This new car was very much David Brown's personal project. The Rapide's sales brochure, which, unusually, was signed by him personally, stated: 'It has long been my ambition to build a car which would be equally suitable to drive or be driven in...'

Chassis number '129' was completed in 1963 and sold via Brooklands of Bond Street (Eton Garages) on the 21st of that month. Accompanying build details show that the car was finished in Aegean Blue with White Gold interior trim and equipped with a Bray block heater, Motorola radio and 'limited show finish' to the engine compartment. First owned by a Mr W E Dinsdale of Shilsons Ltd, Lewiston Mills, Brimscombe, Gloucestershire, the car was delivered to Mr Dinsdale with his own personal registration number 'D 35'. This number

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