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1974 Jaguar E-Type SIII

Lot sold	USD 40 049 - 45 573 GBP 29 000 - 33 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1974	Interior colour	Other
Gearbox	Automatic	Condition	Used
Drivetrain	2wd	Location	
		Fuel type	Petrol
		Exterior colour	Other
		Car type	Convertible / Roadster
		Exterior brand colour	Dark Blue
		Immobilizer	Yes

Description

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Whilst the Jaguar E Type was without doubt one of the finest pieces of automotive design ever to be put into general production, one of the problems with its continued development was the inevitable weight gain. Throughout the 1960s ever more stringent safety legislation emanated from the USA and, as this market was a major breadwinner for Jaguar, it was perhaps unavoidable that the purity of the original design would be compromised to compete within it. Emissions legislation had forced the adoption of twin Stromberg carburettors on trans-Atlantic bound cars resulting in a reduction in

power to 177bhp instead of the quoted 265bhp for European examples breathing through triple SU's. However, the balance was to be redressed with the introduction of the Series 3 model powered by Jaguar's new 5.3-litre, overhead camshaft V12 developing 272bhp. This resulted in a top speed again

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