


1961 Jaguar MK II

- Lot sold
USD 31 901 - 36 809
GBP 26 000 - 30 000 (listed)
Year of manufacture 1961
- **Chassis number** 221667
- **Number of seats** 2
- **Drivetrain** 2wd
- **Lot number** 25
- **Drive** LHD
- **Condition** Used
- **Location** 
- **Fuel type** Petrol
- **Exterior colour** Other
- **Engine number** LC4014/8
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Description

Left-hand drive
1961 Jaguar Mark 2 3.8-Litre Saloon
Registration no. 695 UYJ
Chassis no. 221667
Engine no. LC4014/8

One of the most readily recognised cars of the 1960s, thanks in part to countless appearances in films and on television, Jaguar's seminal Mk2 saloon set the standard for the class throughout its entire production life and today remains highly prized by enthusiasts. Its immediate predecessor retrospectively known as the Mark 1 - had been introduced in 1956 and is of historic significance, being the Coventry firm's first unitary construction saloon car. It was replaced in October 1959 by the closely related, albeit extensively revised, Mark 2. The latter offered better all-round visibility courtesy of larger windows, while the Mark 1's rear wheel spats disappeared and the rear track was widened, which improved both roll-resistance and stability. The dashboard was redesigned with the speedometer and rev counter relocated in front of the driver, the six toggle switches and four minor gauges being set across the centre. Independent front suspension was by wishbone and coil springs, with a leaf-sprung live axle at the rear. This, combined with superior Dunlop disc brakes all round and a choice of 2.4, 3.4 and 3.8-litre XK engines, provided the discerning, string-back-gloved, enthusiast driver with one of the finest sports saloons available in the 1960s. In its ultimate, 3.8-litre, overdrive-equipped form, the Mark 2 could reach 125mph with 60mph coming up in 8.5 seconds, impressive figures for a saloon of its size even by today's standards.

Representing the Jaguar Mark 2 in its ultimate 3.8-litre/overdrive configuration, this left-hand drive example

was delivered new to one Edmund McLaughlin in Rome and resided in Italy until 2014. The car was acquired for the immediately preceding owner's private collection approximately five years ago and in 2011 was comprehensively restored with new wood, beige leather interior and dark red metallic paintwork. The vendor acquired the Mark 2 when it was offered for sale at Bonhams' RAF Museum, Hendon auction in April 2014 (Lot 351). Since purchase it has formed part of a private collection and been used infrequently. Now UK registered, the car is described as in generally good condition, 'on the button' and ready to enjoy. Accompanying paperwork consists of sundry restoration invoices, current MoT certificate and a V5C registration document.

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