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1963 Chevrolet Impala

Lot sold		Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1963	Interior colour	Red
Gearbox	Automatic	Condition	Used
Number of seats	4	Location	
Number of doors	2	Fuel type	Petrol
Drivetrain	2wd	Exterior colour	Red
		Car type	Coupé

Description

1963 CHEVROLET IMPALA SS 2DR HARDTOP

Designer: William "Bill" Mitchell

Estimate: \$28,000 - \$35,000

Chassis Number: 31847S198292

Decoded: 3=1953; 18=Chevrolet Impala V8; 47=2dr hardtop; S=St. Louis, MO assembly plant; 198292=98,292nd full-size Chevrolet scheduled for production at St. Louis

Engine: 327 cid OHV "small-block" V8

4-barrel Carburetor / 300 bhp

2-Speed Powerglide Automatic Transmission

Four Wheel Hydraulic Drum Brakes

Mileage: 66,040

The Model: Chevrolet dominated in sales throughout most of the 1960's, doing it with styling and performance such as the 1963 full-size Impalas. A most popular option for these cars and limited to only the convertible and sport coupe hardtop, was the Super Sport package. For \$161 it included special exterior trim with "machined" pattern inserts, special wheel covers, vinyl bucket seats with a center console including a lockable compartment, plus special steering wheel and dash trim. In

addition to the SS trim, a larger field of V8 optional engines were also available with the majority of them based on the famous small-block V8's. A very popular selection was the 300 HP version of the 327, which was powerful enough to make a quick getaway when getting on a super turnpike, yet tame enough that everyone could drive it. Beauty, power, style and fun, all rolled up into one beautiful package, the 1963 Impala Sport Coupe.

The Car - During the 1963 model year a total of 399,224 Impala Sport Coupes were produced. However, Chevrolet didn't keep records for the Super Sport package, but it can be estimated that about one-third of the hardtops came with this \$161 option. This beautiful example finished in Ember Red with a matching vinyl interior, shows off all of the styling splendidly. Body panels are lined up quite well and all of the bright trim is bright and fresh including the machined pattern aluminum trim. The SoftRay tinted glass is clear and clean with no marks on the windshield. In addition to power steering the car is equipped with in-dash clock, and factory heater/defroster. One upgrade is the addition of a more recent aftermarket sound system neatly mounted in the dashboard. One of the most popular Chevrolets of all time this 1963 Impala SS is fit for a collection of the highest standards.

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