


CLASSIC DRIVER



1958 Jensen 541

Lot sold	USD 0 GBP 0 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1958	Condition	Used
Gearbox	Manual	Location	
Lot number	TBA	Exterior colour	Other
		Car type	Other

Description

"At the start of the 1950's, Jensen had a sound commercial vehicle business providing bread and butter income and an exclusive car business making expensive Interceptor touring cars. The bodywork was mostly aluminium but as an experiment, Jensen had started making the large boot lids in a revolutionary material formed from hair-thin glass embedded in a resinous gel; glass fibre. The body was designed by Eric Neale in conjunction with Richard Jensen. First, he created the distinctive 'mouth' shape and the rest of the body flowed back from that point. A lattice of wooden body formers provided a reference over which skilled craftsmen beat a skin of aluminium. The finished car was exhibited at the 1953 Motor Show but there was one trick left up Jensen's sleeve; production cars were to be constructed of glass fibre. The first few production cars are just known as the 541. As production increased, the options available increased, and a package incorporating the best extras was applied to the car marketed as the '541 Deluxe'.

This Jensen was first registered on 6th November 1958 to Triplex Ltd in Wolverhampton. Subject to a restoration project a few years ago, this 541 presents in good order and we are advised she drives very well, even the overdrive unit on the gearbox operates correctly. This deluxe model is one of only 53 manufactured by Jensen and was one of their first cars to receive disc brakes all round. Finished in Imperial Crimson with beige leather trim, this Jensen is supplied with a V5C registration document together with a history folder with invoices dating back to 1992 and a copy of the original build

sheets. These iconic stylish Jensen's represent excellent value in the world of classic cars. "

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