


1972 Ferrari 365 GTB/4 Daytona

- Lot sold
USD 800 000 - 1 000 000
Year of manufacture 1972
- **Lot number** 033
- **Drive** LHD
- **Condition** Used
- **Location** 
- **Exterior colour** Other
- **Car type** Other
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Description

PROVENANCE

Dino Armando Genghini, Milan, Italy (acquired by 1977)

Private Collection, US (acquired in 2010)

Chad Monnin, New Albany, Ohio (acquired from the above in 2011)

Current Owner (acquired from the above)

EXHIBITED

Cavallino Classic, Palm Beach, Florida, January 2012

Cavallino Classic, Palm Beach, Florida, January 2013 (Silver Award, HMY Yacht Award)

FCA National Meet and Concours, Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin, July 2013 (Coppa GT, Coppa Bella Macchina, Platinum Award)

Cavallino Classic, Palm Beach, Florida, January 2014 (Platinum Award)

LITERATURE

Hilary Raab Jr., , chassis no. is listed

Pat Braden and Gerald Roush, , chassis no. is listed

THIS CAR

Unveiled in Paris in 1968, the new 365 GTB/4 gained its unofficial name while still a prototype, when Ferrari's legendary "P-cars" swept the podium at the 24 Hours of Daytona in 1967. Today, the 365 GTB/4 remains the ultimate expression of the classic front-engine Ferrari GT concept, with its lean and aggressive styling universally acknowledged as one of Pininfarina's finest designs.

The Daytona was hailed at introduction as the fastest production sports car in the world, courtesy of its aerodynamic design and magnificent 352 bhp, four-cam, 4.4-liter V-12 engine. The new 365 GTB/4 was also remarkable for its race-derived dry sump lubrication system, six twin-choke Weber carburetors, five-speed rear-mounted transaxle, ventilated disc brakes, and five-spoke "pointed star" alloy wheels similar to those seen on Scuderia Ferrari's latest Grand Prix and sports racing cars.

Road & Track's Dean Batchelor photographed an indicated 180 mph at 7,000 rpm while testing the new Ferrari, and even when the speed was calculated and corrected, it still worked out to 173 mph. One of the first reports on the Daytona came from Le Mans-winning driver Paul Frère, who hit a reported 176 mph during a 1969 road test. He extolled the Daytona's impressive total experience, characterizing it as a "Grand Touring car par excellence."

Ferrari built just 1,284 Daytona berlinettas between 1969 and 1973, most delivered in left-hand drive to customers in continental Europe and the US. In the decades since, the Daytona has become an undisputed automotive legend, not just for its extraordinary performance on the open road, but also for its distinguished racing record, which included 1st in Class finishes at the 24 Hours of Le Mans and an outright victory at the Tour de France Automobile.

The 365 GTB/4 presented here, chassis 14867, is an original European specification model completed by Ferrari on December 22, 1971. According to factory records, this Daytona was originally finished in the rare and attractive color scheme of (code 106-A-72) with the interior trimmed in black Connolly leather.

In January 1972, the Ferrari was delivered to the official dealer in Bologna, Motor S.a.s. di Carla Allegretti e C., and sold to its first owner. According to the research of Ferrari historian Marcel Massini, 14867 remained in Northern Italy until 1977, when Milanese dealer Dino Armando Genghini sold the Ferrari to a customer on the East Coast of the US.

The Daytona was later repainted red, and during the 1990s and early 2000s was parked in static storage awaiting mechanical work. Well-known Italian car specialist Gary Bobileff of San Diego discovered the Ferrari in 2010, acquired it on behalf of a client, and then performed a nut-and-bolt restoration. During this process, the Daytona was returned to its elegant original livery, while the interior was re-trimmed in tan with black inserts.

In 2011, the beautifully restored Ferrari was sold to Chad Monnin, a collector living in New Albany, Ohio. During his ownership, the Daytona was exhibited at the prestigious Cavallino Classic in Palm Beach, Florida, in 2012 and again in 2013, when it received a Silver Award and the HMY Yacht Award.

Later that year, the Daytona was sold to the current owner, a discerning Ferrari collector whose impressive stable includes some of the finest, most significant examples of the marque. Early in his ownership, the consignor had the 365 GTB/4 inspected and certified by the Ferrari Classiche department. The Red Book issued in November 2013 confirms that 14867 retains its original chassis, body, engine (internal no. B950), and transaxle (internal no. 698).

A perfectionist when it comes to the presentation and performance of his cars, the consignor entrusted the Daytona to marque specialists Continental AutoSports of Hinsdale, Illinois, and Motion Products Inc. of Neenah, Wisconsin, for any necessary service and maintenance. The high-quality, detail-oriented work performed has been recognized with several important awards in judged competition.

In July 2013, the Daytona was shown at the 50th Annual Ferrari Club of America International Meet and Concours at Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin, earning Platinum, Coppa GT, and Coppa Bella Macchina awards. This impressive performance was followed by an appearance at the Cavallino Classic in January 2014, where 14867 received another Platinum Award.

Beautifully presented in all respects, and showing just over 58,000 km (32,000 miles) when catalogued, this Daytona is accompanied at auction by a proper tool roll and handbooks, the Ferrari Classiche Red Book, recent service records, and a history report prepared by Marcel Massini.

Although the 365 GTB/4 Daytona remains one of the most important and sought-after Enzo-era Ferraris, very rarely do high-quality examples appear on the open market. This award-winning European-specification Daytona, which has been certified by Ferrari Classiche, restored in its handsome original livery, and maintained by leading marque specialists in a no-expensespared fashion, presents a rare opportunity to acquire one of the all-time great Italian GTs.

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