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## 1972 Porsche 911 2.4T

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Lot sold	<b>USD 95 469 - 122 745</b> GBP 70 000 - 90 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1972	Condition	Used
Gearbox	Manual	Location	
Chassis number	9112500855	Fuel type	Petrol
Number of seats	2	Exterior colour	Other
Drivetrain	2wd	Car type	Other
Lot number	223	Engine number	65214929
		Exterior brand colour	Blue
		Interior brand colour	Tan

### Description

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Guide price: £70000 - £90000.

- Very rare and desirable 'Oel Klappe', UK, right-hand drive car
  - UK-spec with electric front windows, electric sunroof, rear windscreen wiper, and a Blaupunkt radio
  - Full bare metal restoration by the respected marque specialists 'Export 56' in 2006
  - Finished in special order Porsche Blue Metallic (324) and known affectionately as "The Blue Pearl"
- For 1972, the 911( E series) had two major revisions, the most significant being an increase in capacity to 2341cc (known as the 2.4L) but remaining on carburettors, and externally an aggressive new front spoiler was incorporated below the bumper. For just one year of production in 1972, in an attempt to move as much weight as possible towards the centre of the car, the oil tank was repositioned inboard of the right rear wheel arch, resulting in the introduction of an external oil filler cap on the right-hand side rear wing behind a flap ('Oel Klappe'). The propensity for petrol station attendants to fill the oil tank with fuel, and the resulting warranty claims, quickly persuaded Porsche to change the design and 1972 'Oel Klappe' cars became difficult to sell, possibly resulting in their comparative scarcity today. As is often the case, that rarity has resulted in the 'Oel Klappe' cars now being the most desirable.2.4-litre 911T (Chassis #0855) was completed at Stuttgart, Zuffenhausen in

December 1971 to a UK spec and was delivered to AFN Isleworth on February 21st 1972. It was finished in Porsche Blue Metallic 324 (a 'Porsche Special Order' colour in 1972) with a black and tan interior with Recaro Sports seats in beige leatherette with matching beige corduroy inserts and carpets. As with all UK delivered cars at the time, it was fitted with electric front windows, an electric sunroof, a rear windscreen wiper and a Blaupunkt radio and cassette player. Now known as the 'Blue Pearl' in deference to its distinctive hue, this lovely 911 remains in its original specification apart from the addition of some cocoa mats in the front. It's a genuine, UK, matching numbers, 'Oel Klappe' car and is believed to be one of 106 RHD 1972 911T cars imported into the UK and apparently one of only 19 left on the Porsche GB Register. Its first proud owner was a Mr Adrian Collins Mulvaney of Clarks Green, Studley, who registered the car through AFN Isleworth on March 8th 1972. According to our vendor, he is the 11th owner of the Blue Pearl (if you count the change of hands between connected parties, spouses and the short term ownership of independent dealers) and he acquired it in 2007 from owner number 10, independent Classic Porsche dealers and restorers, 'Export 56' who had purchased it in early 2006 with the intention of returning it to its best. Export 56 are well known to us here at Silverstone and in our experience, their work commands maximum respect. Briefly, the restoration included a full bare metal respray, various new body panels including two new front wings, new indicator units, deco trims and bumper pads. A new carpet set, new front trunk carpet velour and rear seat belts. The engine bay was cleaned and repainted. The carbs were removed, stripped, rebuilt and balanced. The alternator was reconditioned and the air filter removed and replaced. New seals and gaskets were supplied and fitted where possible/accessible. A new sound deadening pad was also fitted at the time. The car is accompanied by its Porsche Certificate of Authenticity, MoTs dating back to 2004 and old invoices from marque specialists Francis Tuthill in 2006 and Autofarm in 2010. However, since 2006, all restoration and most major works have been carried out by or supervised by Export 56. The Blue Pearl has appeared on numerous websites and in magazines, most notably in print on the front cover of Issue 77 of Octane (November 2009) for an article titled "Porsche 911 - can you still find a pre-1973 bargain" It subsequently became the star of the Octane online " Buyers guide for Early Porsche 911s" The online Classic Car marketplace website 'Trade Classics.com' also used an image of the Blue Pearl in an article detailing the history of the 911 titled 'Porsche 911 - The Devil's Own Sportscar - Part 1 the Porsche 911T' Most recently, there is a very good photo journal of the Blue Pearl by Paul Kitchen of the Machine Club - check out Paul's pictures of the Blue Pearl - These shots show also how and where the Blue Pearl has lived for the last few years. With the odometer showing a, believed genuine, 120,000 miles this car has patently been cherished by our vendor, so much so that he has generously just had the car serviced by Export 56 and supplied with a fresh MoT. <http://themachineclub.com/classic-cars-and-machines/portfolios/auto-classicas-blue-pearl-100-stock-kinda/> <https://autoclassicstorage.co.uk/1972-2-4-porsche-911t-the-blue-pearl/>

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