
1958 Fiat 500

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

"Throughout the 1960's it was not Ferrari or Lamborghini that had the beach front kudos in Cannes or St Tropez but the plucky Fiat Jolly. The Jolly, based upon the reliable mechanicals of the Italian 'people's car', the 500, featured dune buggy-like bodywork by Ghia of Turin, with open sides, a simple surrey top, and wicker seats. Jollys were all the rage on the streets of resort towns, and if you were lucky enough to have one even better sat on the back of your super yacht.

Andy Saunders, dubbed one of the most prolific independent car designers, decided to undertake a money/time no object adventure to build the best fiat 500 Jolly recreation to Ghia factory standards. Andy's work knows no bounds; his ideas jump across a number of thoughts and patterns from concours restorations to mind-blowing designs with an unrivalled eye for detail. Recognised from The Melbourne Motor Show and BBC's Top Gear, Andy's one-off sculptures have certainly achieved global success, including one installation receiving 76 award nominations.

Fully restored to complete Jolly specification by Andy Saunders using the super rare and original 1958 specialist parts salvaged from the original 1958 vehicle, this Jolly recreation is possibly the best money can buy. The wicker seats were woven by a UK specialist, the aluminium wheel trims were handmade to match period originals, as was the period style woven wicker steering wheel. The correct 1958 speedo binnacle, indicators, rear lamps and, most importantly, the factory chassis stamping was all salvaged from the original car. The car itself is as spectacular underneath as it is on top and has to be seen to be appreciated; thousands of highly skilled hours have gone into this example. Not to be confused with any other recreation, this Jolly is as good as it gets and would not look out of place in any high class resort anywhere in the world."

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