
1950 Jaguar XK 120

Lot sold	USD 0 GBP 0 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1950	Condition	Used
Mileage	65 000 mi / 104 608 km	Location	
Gearbox	Manual	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	206	Car type	Other

Description

"It was at the 1948 London Motor Show that Jaguar virtually threw the sports car world into turmoil with its stunning XK120. Here was a car with incredible style and looks, a powerful six cylinder engine installed in an outstanding chassis and a remarkably low price, a quarter of that of a V12 Ferrari with similar performance. The combination was unbeatable and without doubt the XK120 was an absolute milestone for both Jaguar and the motor industry as a whole. XK120 orders flooded in, ironic as it was designed as an interim model to publicise the XK engine for the new Mk. VII saloon. Jaguar had only planned to produce around 200! At the heart of the William Lyons styled roadster was that all-new 3,442cc twin overhead camshaft XK engine, producing 160bhp via twin SU carburettors, sufficient for 126mph and 0-60mph in 10.0 seconds. The XK120 became a massive success, both on the road and the track where it scored numerous victories, the many drivers including Stirling Moss, Peter Walker, Peter Whitehead, Leslie Johnson and Ian Appleyard; indeed, in XK120C/C-Type form it won Le Mans in both 1951 and 1953, while its engine was to power three more Sarthe winners and a whole host of Jaguars right up to the present day.

This vehicle was originally supplied by St. Helier Garages, Jersey and despatched to its first owner Mr. R. L. Sangan on 5th December 1950. This fabulous British sportscar has a most interesting and fully documented history which can be found in the vehicle file. It has recently been the subject of a full restoration, both bodywork/chassis and many mechanical upgrades comprising of a conversion to a 12 volt battery, electronic ignition has been fitted and a front disc brake conversion together with a servo. A Kenlowe fan and alloy header tank have been fitted, an alternator conversion and a manual

choke conversion carried out. The rear brakes have been overhauled and a full stainless steel exhaust system has been fitted. The dampers have been replaced and it sits of a new set of Michelin radial tyres. Prior to the above, the engine was internally inspected and the mileage we believe is genuine according to the owner, although not warranted. The gearbox was stripped and rebuilt together with a new clutch fitted. The car had a full bare metal respray, fabrication and brightwork. The bare metal being treated to two coats of epoxy resin, primer, direct gloss and premium lacquer. The interior was retrimmed with quality hide in a contrasting tan colour. The above, combined with numerous additional mechanical works carried out, (which can be found in the history file) makes for a very useable and enjoyable XK120 which will return reliability for many a year to come. This vehicle is supplied with a matching spare wheel, tonneau, original green log book and Jaguar Damiler Heritage Trust Certificate."

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