
1998 Jaguar XJ220

Lot sold	USD 478 516 - 615 235 GBP 350 000 - 450 000 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1998	Condition	Used
Chassis number	SAJJEAX7AX220697	Location	
Number of seats	2	Fuel type	Petrol
Drivetrain	2wd	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	320		

Description

1998 Jaguar XJ220

Registration no. R241 GCL

Chassis no. SAJJEAX7AX220697

The words 'supercar' and 'sensational' are often to be found in conjunction, and no more justifiably so than in the case of Jaguar's fabulous XJ220. Worthy successor to the multiple Le Mans-winning C-Type and D-Type Jaguars of the 1950s, the XJ220 grabbed the headlines, just as its illustrious forebears had done in previous decades, when it burst upon an astonished world in October 1991.

A limited production run of a minimum of 220 and a maximum of 350 cars, combined with an eventual VAT-inclusive price tag of nearly £403,000, only served to further ensure the XJ220's exclusivity. In the event, approximately 270 examples had been built when production ended in 1994. Planning for Jaguar's proposed 200mph supercar had begun in the mid-1980s - design proceeding mainly in the project team's spare time! - and finally bore fruit when the prototype was exhibited at the UK Motor Show in 1988.

The XJ220 survived Jaguar's take-over by Ford the following year, re-emerging powered by a Cosworth-designed, 3.5-litre, twin-turbo V6 as used in the XJR-11 sports-racer. Producing no less than 542bhp, this stupendous engine enabled the XJ220 to meet its 200mph-plus design target, F1 driver Martin Brundle recording a speed of over 217mph during track testing. The 0-100mph time was

staggering 7.9 seconds!

The XJ220 offered here was delivered by Jaguar Sport on 8th November 1993 to Peter Vardy at Reg Vardy PLC, Sunderland. Finished in Spa Silver with Smoke Grey leather interior, the car was first registered (as 'R1 PSB') on 7th May 1998 and received its first service at Jaguar's Brown's Lane works on 19th May 1999. It was subsequently reregistered as 'PH 790' and is now 'R241 GCL'.

The current owner bought the XJ220 via Oakfields in June 2009 (at 5,100 miles), since when it has attended the XJ220 21st Anniversary celebrations at Bloxham in May 2012 and the XJ 50th Anniversary event at JLR Classic Works in September 2018. The XJ220's most memorable trip was to Germany where its legs were nicely stretched...

Numbered '266' on the sill plate, the car comes with full service history from Jaguar Brown's Lane and Don Law Racing, the associated bills totalling in excess of £43,000. The last 'engine out' service, which included changing belts and fuel lines and a major braking system overhaul, was carried out by Don Law Racing only 882 miles ago, while new Bridgestone tyres were fitted only 250 miles ago.

In addition to the aforementioned service history, the car comes with its original book pack, air jack (rubber bag), wheel socket, current MoT, V5C document, and all expired MoTs from 2009 onwards. A wonderful opportunity to acquire a low-mileage example of this rare and iconic Jaguar supercar, maintained with no expense spared and fully documented.

Bonhams 1793

Title Mr

First name Jamie

Last name Knight

101 New Bond Street

London

W1S 1SR

United Kingdom

Phone +44-2074685801

Fax +44-2074477401

<https://www.goodwood.com/motorsport/festival-of-speed/>

<https://www.classicdriver.com/en/car/jaguar/xj220/1998/679514>

© Classic Driver. All rights reserved.