
1972 Jensen Interceptor

Lot sold	USD 55 200 - 68 999 GBP 40 000 - 50 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1972	Condition	Used
Mileage	58 211 mi / 93 682 km	Location	
Gearbox	Automatic	Exterior colour	Other
Chassis number	1368065	Car type	Other
Lot number	162	Engine number	HE11042
		Exterior brand colour	Red

Description

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also up slightly to 330bhp and 425lb/ft of torque. Produced between 1971 and 1973, the Interceptor III was the final iteration and represented the pinnacle of Jensen car development. Of the 2,477 Interceptor IIIs produced 1,107 were allocated to RHD markets and we understand that in 2019 just 239 were licenced for road use in the UK. Manufactured in 1972 and first registered on the 14 January 1973, this is a UK supplied, right-hand drive, J-series Interceptor III that has covered a little over 58,000 miles supported by a substantial history file with MOTs dating back to the mid-1970s. Having spent some time looking for the best possible example, our vendor found this car 9-years ago and was impressed by the aforementioned history file and its excellent mechanical condition. He set about an extensive programme of works completing the restoration in 2018 with a high quality glass out bare metal respray in this lovely shade of Cerise. Some sensible upgrades were incorporated into the overhaul including a more modern suspension set up, stainless steel sports exhaust system and a Holley carburettor all working together in unison with the burbling 7.2-litre V8 to provide an exciting and focused driving experience. The Jensen is accompanied by its original handbooks, a wealth of MOTs, invoices for servicing and maintenance over the years, more recent invoices for parts and labour supporting the overhaul and a number of photographs. It's described as on the button, presenting and performing very well. Some cars look powerful, some look expensive and a few, a very few, look genuinely beautiful and to achieve all three at once is remarkable. With less than 250 examples believed to have survived in the UK, owning one of these stylish Anglo-American GTs offers access to a rather exclusive club. Lot No. 162 - 1973 Jensen Interceptor III <https://youtu.be/LESjA7Y34cwtrue>

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