


# CLASSIC DRIVER



## 1963 Fiat 500 - D

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Lot sold	<b>USD 6 457 - 12 914</b> EUR 5 500 - 11 000 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1963	Condition	Used
Mileage	71 277 km / 44 290 mi	Location	
Gearbox	Manual	Fuel type	Petrol
Chassis number	110D*439542	Exterior colour	Green
Number of seats	4	Car type	Other
Number of doors	2	Engine number	110D.000*488033
Drivetrain	2wd	Exterior brand colour	Light Green
Lot number	137	Interior brand colour	Light Green and White

### Description

In 1954, Fiat's managing director, Vittorio Valletta, commissioned Dante Giacosa to create a super-utility car to coincide with the launch of the '600', in order to make a car accessible also to the working class, eager to show their desire for renewal despite their few economic means. Thus, he created a micro-car with shapes inspired by those of the famous Beetle with an engine of 13 horsepower and 85km/h speed. Thanks to its rounded shapes, its balanced and compact volumes and its low cost, it soon became an icon that lasted over time.

In 1960, a new version of the 500 was presented, called D. This replaced the other models and, with the Giardinetta, represented the new FIAT range. Its appearance was the same as that of the 500, with sunroof, with the forward-hinged doors, but hiding an engine similar to that of the sport. This version was approved for four people who could travel comfortably thanks to the improved padding

of the rear seat. These cars had a courtesy light when opening the driver's side and a central ashtray. In order to meet the demand for greater loading capacity, FIAT not only decided to use the fully tilting backrest of the rear seat, but also opted for an onion fuel tank, with a capacity of 21 litres. It could be positioned only on the driver's side, to favour space in the front boot.

The car we offer for auction is a splendid example of Fiat Nuova 500D in light green (cod363) with green and white faux leather interior. The roof and sun visors are beige. All the interiors (the seats, the roof, the upholstery mats) are preserved and in excellent condition. The kilometres covered to date are 72,277 in 57 years. The car underwent a restoration about 15 years ago. The exterior was repainted and some routine maintenance work was carried out on the engine, brakes and suspension. It is equipped with its original documents of the time and its original Italian number plates. It has passed from father to daughter in recent years, and is perfectly running and ready to use.

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