
1966 Jaguar E-Type SI - E-type Series 1 4.2 Roadster

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Price	USD 180 091 EUR 159 500 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1966	Condition	Restored
Gearbox	Manual	Location	
Number of seats	2	Fuel type	Petrol
Number of doors	2	Exterior colour	Other
Drivetrain	2wd	Car type	Convertible / Roadster
		Exterior brand colour	Opalescent Maroon Red Metallic
		Interior brand colour	Biscuit

Description

1966 JAGUAR E-TYPE SERIES I 4.2 ROADSTER

- Accompanied by a Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust Certificate
- The most desirable series of the E-type
- The Jaguar E-Type is a British automobile legend
- It's almost 60 years later now, and the E-Type is a styling icon and exposed in several important museums as a piece of art
- Wonderfully restored example
- Presented in striking Opalescent Red over Biscuit interior
- Desirable 4.2-liter, left hand drive Roadster
- With a comprehensive file documenting the car's restoration and service work

There have been volumes written about the Jaguar E-Type, indeed there is no other British car, apart from perhaps the Mini, that has generated such a cult following.

The Jaguar E-Type is a British automobile legend, it was manufactured by Jaguar between 1961 and 1975.

It combined sensational looks, high performance and competitive pricing that instantly captured the imagination of the British public at the time and it has remained a truly iconic piece of British motoring history since.

It was voted "the most beautiful car of all time" by the Daily Telegraph.

Sports Car International Magazine placed the E Type at number one on their list of Top Sports Cars of the decade.

On the cars public release in 1961, Enzo Ferrari called it "The most beautiful car ever made".

Of all the many E-Type variants, it is the 'Series 1' 4.2-litre Roadster that many enthusiasts consider the most desirable, combining as it does the purity of the original concept with the superior performance of the larger engine.

The 4.2-litre version of Jaguar's sensational E-Type was launched in October 1964, a more user-friendly all-synchromesh gearbox and superior Lockheed brake servo forming part of the improved specification together with the bigger, torquier engine.

Apart from '4.2' badging, the car's external appearance was unchanged but under the skin there were numerous detail improvements.

These mainly concerned the cooling and electrical systems, the latter gaining an alternator and adopting the industry standard negative ground, while the interior boasted a matt black dashboard and improved seating arrangements.

The top speed of around 150mph for the 3.8 liter engine remained unchanged, the main performance gain resulting from the larger engine being improved acceleration and flexibility.

The E-type is an absolute icon but amongst the beautiful lines it's also 1 of the best driving classic cars. The car is very fast and handles absolutely superb.

Everybody can drive an E-type. It is a simple car in use until the gas paddle is really pushed down. Then it becomes a race car which has to be treated correctly.

ABOUT THIS SPECIFIC EXAMPLE

This Jaguar comes with its Jaguar Heritage Trust Certificate showing that rolled off the Coventry assembly line on August 23rd, 1966.

It was manufactured as a desirable Left-Hand Drive Roadster covered-headlight Series 1 E-Type, it was fitted with Jaguar's 4.2-liter inline-six and the fully synchronized 4-speed manual transmission.

Shortly after production, was shipped to the United States, sold through Jaguar Cars of New York to a Mr. Frank Spivey.

It remains unclear for how long Mr. Spivey owned the E-Type, but it is believed that the car has had just four subsequent owners up until today.

In 2005 the Jaguar received a comprehensive restoration by a noted Jaguar specialist.

During the impressive restoration, the Jaguar was completely taken apart and a nut and bolt restoration was carried out. The bodywork was restored and the car was sprayed in the current beautiful opalescent maroon red metallic.

The exterior color suits the tan interior very well.

Delicate modern enhancements were made to increase reliability, including the installation of maintenance free electronic ignition, additional cooling fans, and a stainless steel exhaust system.

This classic Series 1 E-Type still retains its original, numbers-matching engine block and cylinder head, as confirmed by the Jaguar Heritage Trust Certificate accompanying the car.

This is a nice restored example of the first series of E-Type Jaguars, with the legendary glass covered headlights, small 'mouth' opening at the front, hand made stainless steel exhausts, 4.2 L liter engine.

CONDITION EXTERIOR

We have had quite some E-types over the years and we also have an E-type Series 1 in our private collection. Every time we see a Jaguar E-type Series 1 we are falling in love. The shape of the E-type is just fabulous. Enzo Ferrari called it the most beautiful car ever made.

The museum of modern art in New York has a series 1 E-type in it's museum as they confirmed that the E-type is an absolute style icon.

This specific E-type is not only beautiful because of it's shape but also because of the very nice exterior condition.

The restoration of the Jaguar has been carried out on a high quality level without compromises. The paint of the car is beautiful without any signs of use and with a beautiful deep shine.

The body is very straight and displays beautiful fittings on the doors, bonnet and boot.

All chrome parts are in a beautiful and nice shining condition.

The soft top which is in a very nice condition as well fits perfectly as might be expected from a well restored example.

The E-type is in a beautiful exterior condition.

CONDITION INTERIOR

The Biscuit interior shows excellent and looks gorgeous with it's period correct leather centre panel and console.

The carpets are in a nice condition as well and the materials used are matching with the original Jaguar specifications.

One of the nicest interiors ever made by Jaguar, and much more desirable then the later Series 2 and 3 examples.

The rubbers around the doors are all in good condition due to the fact that the Jaguar has always been stored in a heated storage since the restoration.

All meters, gauges, switches, choke and lights are in good working condition.

ENGINE COMPARTMENT

The engine and engine bay look excellent, very clean without big signs of age or use.

The compartment is very clean and it can be easily recognized that this car is restored by a specialist, using the period correct materials and parts.

The 4.2-litre is considered by many enthusiasts as the most desirable engine.

DRIVING EXPERIENCE

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Everybody can drive an E-type. It is a simple car in use until the gas paddle is really pushed down. Then it becomes a race car which has to be treated correctly.

It is not a difficult car to drive but it needs good handling because of the power in the car. The car is very solid at speed, runs wonderfully, and maintains excellent temperatures.

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