



Imperial War Museum Duxford (197)

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Estimate: £36000 - £42000 + Fees

1960 Jaguar Mk II 3.8 An Early Right-Hand-Drive, 3.8-Litre, Manual Example

Registration No: 910 NMY

Chassis No: 201608DN

MOT: May 2022

- Desirable original specification and early right-hand drive, 3.8-litre, manual gearbox with overdrive MK II Jaguar
 - Recently subject to restoration work which included a re-spray in Indigo Blue
 - 'Matching Numbers' example
 - UK-assembled and supplied new to South Africa and thought to have been used in the South African Police service
- For many, the definitive Jaguar sports saloon, the MKII was introduced in October 1959. A peerless blend of elegance and muscularity, its sleek lines clothed an evolution of the Coventry marque's first monocoque design. Powered by derivatives of the same XK DOHC straight-six engine that had swept Jaguar to five Le Man's victories, the MKII was quick to dominate contemporary saloon car racing. Equipped with coil-and-wishbone independent front suspension, a leaf-sprung Salisbury rear axle and servo-assisted four-wheel disc brakes, the range-topping 3.8 boasted nearly seven times the horsepower of a Mini 850 and a 126mph top speed! Blessed with one of the all-time great automotive interiors, its stylish instrumentation, rich wood veneers and sumptuous leather upholstery all conspired to cosset and cocoon occupants.

Chassis number 201608DN's manufacture was completed on the 20th of July 1960 according to the accompanying Jaguar Heritage Certificate and was supplied new to South Africa. This desirable, original right-hand-drive example is fitted with the 3781cc straight-six engine mated to the four-speed manual transmission with overdrive. Notable as an early Mk2, '910 NMY' features recessed sun visors, pendant throttle pedal and smooth Matt black center dash section. Understood to have served with the South African police it has attributes such as the large CAV Dynamo and regulator, which are understood to be police specifications. The Mk2 has a recorded mileage of 84,348 miles (at time of consignment) and was repatriated into the United Kingdom in c.1990.

This 'matching numbers' example is fitted with four-pot front brake calipers; recently replaced rear brakes and Koni Classic shock absorbers. The beneficiary of light restoration work in 2020-2021 which has included bodywork repairs; a respray in Indigo Blue with metallic tinge; interior refresh; carburetor overhaul with new jets and needles; a new aluminum radiator with Kenlow fan; renewed heater matrix and heater cables; wiper motor overhaul with replaced wiper arms; regulator fettling and servicing and much further works and services. Replacement triple-plated front and rear bumpers and over-riders finish the Mk2's appearance. Accompanied for sale by a current V5C; USB-stick documenting the restoration works completed; both wooden and original steering wheel; aforementioned Jaguar Heritage Certificate; MOT certificate until May 2022 and the most recent restoration and service invoice for c.£4,000.