

classic cars



Triumph TR5

1967

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Triumph TR5 1967 - LHD In 1967, the Triumph TR5 was the necessary evolution of the Michelotti-designed TR4, whose increased weight and 4-cylinder performance were no longer in line with the sublime body shape. The TR5 also sported all-round independent suspension but now with a 2498cc, 6 cylinder in line, tweaked with a hot camshaft, new conrod and piston design and a first for a British production car: fuel injection by Lucas. The lively performance (150bhp) and generous torque made sure that the TR5 accelerated to 100km/h in 8.1s and reached a top speed of 200km/h. Rack and pinion steering, servo-assisted brakes and front disc brakes complemented the TR5s increase in performance. After merging with Jaguar, MG and Austin Healey into British Leyland in 1968, the dated looking TR5 needed a redesign to remain successful in the 70ies, a job which was carried out by Karmann and brought us the TR6. As a result only 2947 TR5's were built, making it the rarest of all TR's (except for the strange looking TR8). This delightfully original Valencia Blue TR5 was sold new in 1967 and resided most of her life in the Netherlands. The chassis number 1CP1287LP indicates that this TR5 was assembled in the Belgian Factory in Mechelen ("1" prefix and "P" suffix), and that it's an original LHD ("L" suffix). This TR5 is fitted with the optional desirable overdrive and Surrey-top (hard and soft top cover with subframe available), whilst retaining its rare and original two tone black/chrome hubcaps on steel disc wheels. After a close inspection on the ramp, a very healthy chassis and bodywork are revealed, thanks to many years of meticulous maintenance by its previous Dutch owner. On the road this TR5 behaves very correctly, with sharp steering and comfortable seating. The eager engine pulls very strongly with super flexible torque throughout the whole rev range while the typical raw and fierce exhaust note is immediately noticed by TR5-6 connoisseurs. The gearbox is just so smooth, easily bringing you to the rev range you desire to hear, while the overdrive allows for effortless long distance touring or slowing the frenetic pace down to lazy daily traffic. With only 1786 LHD examples made, this TR5 is the most sought-after Triumph TR, guaranteeing a very bright future. In a time where rare original or barn find classic cars are often higher valued than a fully restored example, this all original paint TR5 is definitely a rare survivor. Its unique patina and fully roadworthy condition are a

treasure to be well kept and cherished. Maybe in your hands?

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