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Jaguar E-type SIII Roadster

1973

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Jaguar E-type SIII Roadster 5.3 V12 LHD Manual Gearbox 1973 On the 1961 Geneva Motor Show, Jaguar once again wrote sports car history: the spectacular E-type was born and instantly became star of the show. The sleek stylish design and the excellent sportscar performances provided by the very advanced technical lay-out amongst which the triple carb 3.8L 265 bhp, twin overhead cam straight six, immediately attracted a very enthusiast public, turning the E-type in an instant sales success. Today the early Jaguar E-type 3.8 Series I has become a sportscar icon and prices have risen strongly in the last couple of years reaching 200.000 euro for a Roadster model. Strange is that at the end of the 80-ies, collectors rather focussed on the more comfortable SIII E-type V12. Today these seem to have been slightly forgotten, which is not justified when one compares actual values and the usability (certainly so when the driver is a tall person) of both models. In 1971, the E-type received the most substantial and last major change of her lifetime with the introduction of the SIII E-type. The SIII was built on the previous 2+2 chassis and sported an all-aluminum super flexible four overhead cams, 5.3L V12 engine. Flared wheel arches, power steering and a more spacious interior all added to the high-speed touring character of the SIII Etype. This 1973 SIII E-type is the most desirable variant: a LHD Roadster with manual gearbox. Originally sold new in the USA, she came back to Europe approx. 20 years ago into the hands of my Dutch friend Jos. He repainted the body in an attractive Dark Blue (originally Pale Primrose) and had the mighty matching-number V12 completely rebuilt + all mechanics checked at a well reputed Dutch Jaguar Specialist. After many Jaguar club runs and many years of trouble-free motoring, he sold the car to his good friend Geert, who continued with the meticulous maintenance and sunny-weather outings. After only 25.000 km during these last 20 years, this E-type still looks very attractive and drives like a dream. What is keeping you

from taking her out and having all the fun?

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