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1961 Jaguar E-Type Series 1 OTS

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€379,000

1961	190km	Opalescent Bronze
Beige	Manual	3781.L Petrol

DESCRIPTION

The Timeless Beauty. The Sports Car of the CenturyE-Type Series 1 OTS with 3.8-litre engine, presented in concours-winning condition, retaining its matching numbers and original colour specification.Built: 7 June 1961Exterior: Opalescent BronzeInterior: Beige trim with French Grey hoodEngine: 3.8-litre six-cylinder petrol engine, 195 kW (265 PS)Transmission: Original four-speed Moss gearboxPresented here is an exceptionally early pre-production E-Type Roadster featuring the coveted Outside Bonnet Lock (OBL) configuration.Chassis number 092 is the 92nd left-hand-drive E-Type OTS produced and has been the recipient of multiple Best of Show awards following a concours-standard, 100-point restoration.Verified by its Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust (JDHT) Heritage Certificate, this matching-numbers, matching-colours example is among the rarest and most historically significant road-going Jaguars in existence.One of only 485 pre-production E-Type Roadsters built, this OBL model represents a pivotal chapter in Jaguar history and is today regarded as one of the finest restored examples anywhere in the world.ProvenanceThe Jaguar E-Type was unveiled at the Geneva Motor Show in March 1961 before making its North American debut in New York the following month. Its impact was

immediate and profound. Demand far exceeded Jaguar's initial production capacity, leading to a limited period during which the first roadsters and coupés were built largely by hand while the production process continued to evolve.Built at Jaguar's Browns Lane factory on 7 June 1961, this E-Type was subsequently delivered to its first owner in the United States. In 1985, it was acquired by an American enthusiast as a complete and remarkably original restoration project. Although restoration plans never materialised, the vehicle was carefully stored in a clean, dry environment for several decades, preserving many of its rare early-production features.In 2021, the car was acquired by renowned E-Type specialists Monoque Metalworks in the United States before entering its current ownership, where an exhaustive restoration programme was undertaken with an unwavering commitment to originality and historical accuracy.The restoration was carried out to the highest concours standards, with meticulous attention given to preserving the unique characteristics that make chassis 092 such an important early-production example. Particular care was taken to retain and restore the distinctive features found only on the earliest OBL cars, including the external bonnet latches, welded bonnet ventilation slots, narrow-centre dashboard cover, central boot rainwater drain and wide chrome windscreen surround, among numerous other early-production details.Wherever possible, original components were painstakingly restored rather than replaced. In instances where parts could not be salvaged, correct period-correct components were sourced from specialist suppliers around the world to ensure complete authenticity. No compromise was made in the pursuit of originality, preserving both the historical significance and long-term collectability of this exceptional E-Type.The result is a concours-winning restoration of one of the earliest surviving E-Types ever produced, representing a rare opportunity to acquire a landmark Jaguar that captures the very origins of one of the world's most iconic sports cars.

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