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Editor's Choice: Ferrari 330 GT 2+2 Series II

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The 'Ferrari' part is obvious, but why might you buy a 330 GT 2+2? Here's why...

In production at the same time as the 275 GTB and 330 GTC, the Ferrari 330 GT 2+2 had all the magical attributes of big-capacity (3,967cc) V12 motoring with the added practicalities of extra rear seats and a generous boot.

When introduced, like its more sporting relations, these luxurious cars found their way into the garages of the rich and famous, with a list of owners that included Enzo Ferrari himself, Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands and John Lennon, who bought his 330 GT 2+2 the same day he got his driver's licence.

This example, available on Classic Driver out of a private collection, is a Series II 330 GT 2+2. The earlier cars were famous for their slightly 'cross-eyed', twin-headlamp look. The controversial styling was amended in the second series, re-introducing the classic single-headlamp treatment, all from the master of Ferrari styling, Pininfarina.





Having been the subject of extensive restoration work, this *Blu Scozia* (non-metallic navy blue) car has a new tan leather interior by marque expert Tappezzeria Luppi in Modena, and has covered just 1000 kilometres since renovation. An extensive history file accompanies the car, showing its original delivery to a North American client via Luigi Chinetti. It runs on a new set of Borrani wire wheels, with a second original Borrani alloy set set included in the sale.

The vendor states that this 'matching numbers' car, currently based in Switzerland, is in 'concours condition'. The car is priced at 236,000 CHF (that's a touch under 200k euros or £160k). Considering its excellent condition and well-specified original equipment, such as power steering, air-conditioning, electric windows etc, this is an excellent example of the 'sleeper': a car yet to be truly appreciated, most likely to increase in value

in years to come.

Also, it's interesting to note that modern manufacturers such as Ferrari (the FF) and Bentley (Continental GT) are revisiting the spacious 2+2 market.



For further information, see the car details in the <u>Classic Driver Market</u>.

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