



JAGUAR HERITAGE

1999 Jaguar S-Type 3 Litre V6 SE

The first production Jaguar S-Type

This car is the 'Job One' S-TYPE which was built on 11 January 1999, the first production car of the model, which was reserved for the Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust. For the first time, this was a Jaguar not built in the historic Coventry, Browns Lane, factory; instead the S-TYPE was manufactured in Jaguar's Castle Bromwich factory in Birmingham. This was originally built to make Spitfires for the Battle of Britain, but has been Jaguar's body plant for more than twenty years.

The X200 model, named the S-TYPE after the equivalent Jaguar model of the 1960s and launched at the 1998 British International Motor Show at the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham, was one of the most eagerly awaited new Jaguar models for many years. For the first time in almost thirty years, it gave Jaguar a second saloon model in the range. It brought Jaguar back to its roots as a maker of compact luxury sports saloons, and was the first all-new saloon model introduced after the Jaguar company had been taken over by Ford in 1989.

While the S-TYPE initiated the policy of sharing selected components with other cars manufactured by the Ford Group, the designers and engineers behind the car remained faithful to the ideal of making the car a true Jaguar thoroughbred. This was evident in the distinctive style, developed under the guidance of the late Geoff Lawson, Jaguar's Design Director whose last work the S-TYPE was. The car featured several instantly recognisable Jaguar styling signatures, evoking the spirit of Jaguars of the past, without being in any way 'retro styled'.

The chassis was carefully engineered, with double wishbone front and rear suspension, to provide the unique Jaguar driving experience, offering a remarkable combination of agile handling with supple ride and luxurious comfort worthy of the marque. The engines were the well-proven Jaguar AJ-V8 of 4 litres, or alternatively the new AJ-V6 engine of 3 litres. Overall, the S-TYPE gave Jaguar a convincing entry in the important executive class.

Registration mark:S1 TYP (23/02/1999)
VIN number: SAJAD01E1XFL00450
Owner: The Jaguar Daimler Heritage Trust

Engine: 2,967 cc, V6
Price new: £33,150
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