

Lagondaforum: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by David at Feb 09, 2011 1:57 pm

Perhaps Francis you might try to find the Irish car...

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by TVJL at Feb 09, 2011 2:35 pm

Re the Cartier car, 'he' certainly had it (still), he told me, last year. Although an avid collector, the gentleman in question has been known to change his mind radically overnight about many things. 🤔 So, it is certainly very far from inconceivable (in my view) that he might sell it on a whim. But, Francis, be warned - it will be mega-bucks if he parts with it. And, we wouldn't necessarily get to hear about it if the thing was for sale.

The Irish car is out there (somewhere) but I'm not sure where I'd begin any search. Over to you, David.

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by David at Feb 10, 2011 8:57 am

I'd start in County Wexford, it was sage green with a white gold interior when new, RHD auto, registered CZB678

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by Francis at Feb 10, 2011 12:40 pm

Thanks for this clear explanation of the state of the market. I am willing to spend that type of money if I can find a car to restore. Actually, I do my own restorations, so it doesn't run me that much.

Francis

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by Francis at Feb 10, 2011 12:43 pm

The Irish car, can you tell me more about it? is it a project or a runner?

You mention this car, do you have information that it is available?

Francis

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by Francis at Feb 10, 2011 12:44 pm

The Cartier car is probably what I will end up building...but not buy at after restoration prices.

Francis

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by TVJL at Feb 10, 2011 1:50 pm

Francis, just in case you don't know about it, the Cartier car was commissioned for / by the 'Mrs Cartier' of the time (i.e. wife of scion etc.). It has been in several collections to date, is reputed to be in perfect condition, and features mink-lined upholstery!

Perhaps your restoration plans will not include such provision? 🤔

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Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by David at Feb 10, 2011 2:53 pm

The Irish car has not been seen for many years as I understand it, so its actual location, condition and availability is unknown to me. Quite an adventure to try to find it...

TJVL, do you think the mink survives?

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by TVJL at Feb 10, 2011 3:09 pm

David, I agree re the Irish car. Were I in Francis' shoes, given what he has said I think I would partake of that adventure - not too many further / other opportunities of its ilk seem likely in the future.

I have never seen snaps of the Cartier car. The only first hand knowledge that I have of it was gleaned from the man himself. I had assumed (a) that the mink was still in place, and (b) he would retain it. Quite another question is whether, if it was removed at some point before purchase, he would have it replaced? I rather think I can guess the correct answer! 🤔

Re: Lagonda Rapide 61-64 Wanted

Written by Francis at Feb 10, 2011 6:34 pm

Being from Canada we are sensitive to the issue of fur... (LOL!)

So if you ride in the Cartier car with shorts, or for girls with mini skirts, do you get a special feeling from the fur?



The Irish car, with all the chasing for it, is probably more my style!

Francis
