

## Lagondaforum: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

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Written by daveaston at Dec 09, 2012 11:48 am

A rediscovery,.It must have been a tight squeeze in that garage, and on that trailer.

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

Written by SRD at Dec 09, 2012 3:30 pm

The price is rather than on the high side at 70k, for a middle length chassis de Ville, and a car that no doubt requires a bottomless pocket.

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

Written by bruffsup at Dec 09, 2012 5:31 pm

I am interested in knowing why this car would be such an expensive proposition if one was to retain it's oily rag look? From the pictures and if the mileage is authentic why could it not just be cleaned up and driven as is? I know a 100 point restoration would be exorbitant but why bother? I really like the look of this car as it is .

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

Written by alistair at Dec 09, 2012 5:35 pm

and log book says red (car is black) and my recollection is that Lagonda engine number 16011 is in a DHC owned by Eckhard Fabricius. does the car on eBay have a Lagonda engine under that long bonnet?

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

Written by h14 at Dec 09, 2012 7:06 pm

Perhaps a discovery; have found no mention of this registration in any of my membership lists. "4200cc" is not correct for a V12; it does appear to have twin exhausts though. I too thought "red" odd, the car is clearly black & that appears to be the original paintwork. Lagondas thought nothing of transferring engines between cars; mine had 3 different engines in it before 1945!

Nice to think that one could just change the oil and run it; but how likely is that? We are not told why it was taken off the road..

Laurence

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

Written by alistair at Dec 09, 2012 10:29 pm

Laurence

my only point was that the logbook says engine 16011 and I don't believe that is correct. but the ad specifically says a Bentley 4.2L V12 engine so that may be what is under that dusty bonnet.

What a pleasure it would be if this fine car could be saved and brought back to life!

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

Written by bruffsup at Dec 09, 2012 10:44 pm

I agree. I love the look of this car, not ostentatious like a Roller or second class like a Derby , whoever bought this originally had good taste.

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

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*Written by h14 at Dec 10, 2012 3:21 pm*

Hi Alistair,

The issue here is perhaps that the factory "engine" number for these is that stated on the original registration document and indeed the car data plate on the bulkhead. That number is in fact the chassis number, and that is why that number appears. The real engine number would be V12/---, but I believe Lagondas deliberately stated the chassis number so as to indulge their love of engine swapping. In most cases, the chassis number would be stamped on the engine timing cover. It is quite possible that this car's engine is therefore also stamped 16011.

One thing is clear, which I'm sure Eckhard appreciates, is that the engine in his car was at one time, perhaps when new, in the car advertised. V12/11, the number of Eckhard's engine, is pretty early, so also more likely to have started life in this car than Eckhard's. Incidentally, my LG6's "engine" number is 12360, as the chassis number...but just visible nearby is 12525 (last digit indistinct), so a neat illustration of Lagonda practice.

Was there a Bentley 4.2 litre V12 engine? I rather suspect that this is a DVLA "correction"; they "corrected" my V12's to something like 5348cc...presumably an Aston Martin engine size; 4200 indicates Jaguar to me!

What delightful conjecture this is! Having made much of the "Bentley" engine, and with so many photos, why none of the engine?!

Laurence

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

*Written by SRD at Dec 11, 2012 7:37 pm*

I asked the seller to take a few more pictures including the engine and interior.

The V12 4.5 litre Lagonda engine is present.

Also some interior pictures, which show a remarkable level of preservation and overall good order.

I wouldn't set any store by the many mistakes which the DVLA makes on car paperwork, that is all normal on older cars.

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### Re: Lagonda V12 Saloon on eBay

*Written by bruffsup at Dec 12, 2012 1:33 am*

hmmm, maybe not oily rag, I would want a very close look before venturing into that, still magnificent though

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