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Jaguar/Daimler XJ: The Essential Buyer's Guide





Synopsis

The X300 was the first serious model development in collaboration with Ford and the cars benefited in quality terms as a result. Problems do exist, however, especially with the X308 models which followed in 1997. Though they are excellent value today, it is still important to buy the right car if expensive problems are to be avoided. This book will help you decide which car to consider and having chosen your model it will help pick a sound car from among those you locate and inspect. High mileage need not be a deterrent but you need to avoid neglected cars and know exactly what to look for. This book ensures you have the insight and expertise to select the best example within your budget. Each aspect of the vehicles is given an objective numerical score reflecting the carâ ™s condition. These are added to give an overall score supporting a decision to buy or leave. There is no safer way to avoid buying a bad car short of paying for a professional evaluation. This book will pay for itself.

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Anyone shopping for a 1994 to 2003 XJ will find this book informative. The exception would be those who have previously owned one of these XJ's or have a mechanic who is knowledgeable on this era of Jaguar.I am fairly knowledgeable about cars and have done most repairs and upgrades to my cars over the past thirty years. In other words, if it can break on a car, I have probably fixed it. As a result, I thought that I had a reasonable amount of knowledge on what to look for when

shopping for just about any used car. When I began my search for an XJ8 I quickly came to understand that there are specialized things about these cars that one with ordinary car mechanic knowledge would not know to look for in their evaluation. For example, the book provides straight-forward methods for checking out things like: * Measuring the cars stance which will reveal a sagging suspension, a common and expensive repair. * Testing the A/C to see if it is holding a proper charge (no tools required) * Details on what to consider if you are buying a car with an early nikasil engine. * Accurate information on how to avoid a nikasil engine. The Internet is loaded with inaccuracies on this topic. * Proper tolerances for play in the drive lineBuying an XJ8 and finding out later that any of these repairs are needed could be a very expensive oversight or a blown negotiating point. The book has only sixty-four pages which may appear thin to some. However the most pertinent information that you will need is included and it has a useful index in the back of the book. It is printed on high quality paper that will hold up well over time.

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