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19th September 2016

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Thank you for your enquiry regarding your 1972 Lotus Europa Twin Cam and please find enclosed your Classic Certificate of Provenance. These documents provide the detail from the original build records when the car left the factory held against the VIN supplied, they do not cover any changes made since leaving production and do not verify the current condition.

The VIN number provided for your Lotus Europa was 72052358R which can be broken down into the build date (7205=1972, May), the unit number (2358) and the model and market it was made for (R=Federal specification Europa for USA/Canada/Japan). The original engine number was S 26703 which can be broken down into the specification (S=big valve, standard compression engine for the Federal Europa) and serial number (26703). The transmission number was 15951, which was a 4 speed gearbox.

The original body colour was Lotus Yellow, Lotus paint code LO7. The interior trim was not recorded; the interior options were black or oatmeal vinyl. Optional extras recorded are; tinted glass all round. The wheels are recorded as standard steel wheels, the alloy wheels were optional. The car was factory assembled in LHD for the Federal market during May 1972 and was signed from production on the 24th May 1972. The car was despatched from Lotus on the 25th May 1972. The car was invoiced from Lotus to the original distributor Lotus Central in Detroit under invoice number 12004 on the 25th May 1972 and they would retain any further history once the car enters the USA.

The Lotus Europa Twin Cam for the Federal market commenced production in January 1972 from unit number 2000R and was replaced in September 1972 from unit number 2684R by the Europa Special with the last unit number being 4710R, but this unit number sequence covers the following markets; USA, Canada and Japan. The last US car was unit 4700R in July 1974.

I hope you find this information of interest and you enjoy your Europa ownership.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Graham'.

Andy Graham
Lotus Archives



LOTUS

Classic Certificate of Vehicle Provenance

Vehicle Identification Number: **72052358R**

Engine Number: **S 26703**

Transmission Number: **15951 (4 speed)**

Date of Manufacture: **24th May 1972**

Model: **Europa**

Variant: **Twin Cam**

Body Colour(s): **Lotus Yellow, LO7**

Trim Colour(s) / Material: **Not recorded (black or oatmeal)**

Options Recorded: **Tinted glass all round**

Original Distributor / Country: **Lotus Central / USA**

Lotus Invoice Number & Date: **12004, 25th May 1972**

Issued to: Glen

Date: 19th September 2016

Andy Graham: Company Archivist