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1961 FERRARI 400 Superamerica SWB

Nero Tropicale with Tobacco

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Mileage	14,910 miles	Engine Capacity	3967cc
Body Style	Coupe	Fuel	Petrol
Transmission	Manual	Chassis No.	2809 SA

All the 400 Superamerica CoupÃ© Aerodinamico (named for its long and low flowing curved lines) were special cars, built to satisfy the extremely wealthy, who could add their own special touches.

In total there were only 35 of these cars ever produced, 18 long-wheel base versions and 17 short. Of those 17 short-wheel base examples, only 7 were built with covered headlamps from new, which is considered today as the ultimate configuration.

Chassis #2809 SA is not just one of those 7 cars, it has the benefit of the very stylish rear spats and the only 400 Superamerica constructed from new with an aluminium body. The hood support frame and hinges were also drilled for lightness!

Its first owner was the legendary Count Volpi di Misurata who had a great relationship with Ferrari, owning around 17 different Ferraris in the late fifties and early sixties, including racing cars which were entered and raced successfully under his Scuderia Serenissima racing team banner.

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Count Volpi requested a number of special features for #2809 SA, some of which Ferrari and Pininfarina couldn't accommodate, for example, a 45 rpm record player under the dash! The following is an extract from the list of special features that he requested:

- Second battery in the boot
- Box behind the drivers seat for sandwiches/thermos flask
- Box behind the passengers seat for 45 rpm 7″ records
- Klippan seatbelts
- Pockets in the rear of the seats
- Red warning lights in trailing edge of the doors
- Removable strap-on headrests for both seats
- Pedal for flashing headlights to the left of the clutch pedal
- Lockable central armrest
- Blaupunkt KÃ¶ln Radio
- Rev counter on the left side of the dashboard
- Flick switches instead of push-pull
- Map light
- Blue light under the dashboard

Having very few owners from new and never been subjected to restoration, #2809 SA is a true preservation car. It still retains all of its original numbered components as confirmed in its Ferrari 'Red Book' Classiche certification and in recent years the recipient of awards at the Pebble Beach Concours d'elegance and the Palm Beach Cavallino Classic.