INTRODUCTION

BY victory after victory on the racetracks of the world, Jaguar has gained for itself a position in the very forefront of modern sports cars. Twice winners at Le Mans, three times victors at Rheims, twice winners of the R.A.C. Tourist Trophy and victorious in innumerable other International and National events, the racetrack breeding of Jaguar is evident from the moment the wheel is handled. All the accumulated wealth of knowledge and experience gained in the hard school of racing have been built into new Jaguar XK 140 models which are powered by the famous 3½ litre twin overhead camshaft XK engine, now with high lift cams and its power output raised to 190 b.h.p. The increase in power of these engines coupled with the introduction of rack and pinion steering provides a new high level of road performance, yet, notwithstanding the high speed potential of the XK 140, the Jaguar characteristics of smoothness, silence, tractability and road adhesion are such that complete and effortless mastery is in the hands of the driver at all times and at all speeds. On all XK models, seating accommodation has been increased and extra accommodation for children is now available in both the Drophead and Fixed Head Coupe—the latter also affording accommodation for a third adult.
THE 3½ LITRE JAGUAR XK140 OPEN 2-SEATER

FRAME. Straight平面 steel box section frame of immense strength, torsional rigidity ensured by large box section cross members.

TRANSMISSION. Four-speed single helical synchromesh gearbox. Ground teeth gears running on needle bearings. Synchromesh on 2nd, 3rd and top. Hydraulically controlled overdrive unit with manual control switch mounted on the facia panel (Overdrive models only).

Gear ratios: Top 3:54; 3rd 4:28; 2nd 6:2 ; 1st and reverse 10:55.


SUSPENSION. Independent front suspension incorporating transverse wishbones and long torsion bars with telescopic shock absorbers. Rear suspension by large silico-manganese steel half elliptic springs controlled by telescopic shock absorbers.

BRAKES. Lockheed hydraulic with two leading shoe front brakes and 12 in. diameter drums. Friction lining area 189 sq. ins. Central handbrake operating on rear wheels only.

STEERING. Rack and pinion steering, rubber mounted to the chassis. 17 in. diameter steering wheel adjustable for reach. Left- or right-hand steering optional.

WHEELS AND TYRES. Pressed steel bolt-on disc wheels with Dunlop 600×16 in. Road Speed tyres.

FUEL SUPPLY. By large capacity S.U. electric pump from a 14 gallon tank. Petrol level warning light.


INSTRUMENTS. 5 in. diameter 140 m.p.h. speedometer, 5 in. diameter revolution counter, ammeter, oil pressure gauge, water thermometer gauge, petrol gauge with warning light. Electric clock.


SPARE WHEEL AND TOOLS. The spare wheel is carried beneath the boot floor in a separate compartment and is readily accessible. The tools, jack and wheel brace are housed in the spare wheel compartment.

LUGGAGE ACCOMMODATION. Ample luggage accommodation is provided in a capacious rear locker, provided with an automatic light. Front end of boot hinges down to increase storage space for golf clubs, etc. Capacious pockets are provided in the doors.

JACKING. Centrally located jacking sockets on each side of the car enable the front and rear wheels on either side to be raised simultaneously by means of a special easy lift jack.

PRINCIPAL DIMENSIONS. Wheelbase, 8 ft. 6 ins.; track front, 4 ft. 3½ ins.; track rear, 4 ft. 2½ ins. Overall length (over bumpers), 14 ft. 8 ins. Overall width, 5 ft. 4½ ins. Overall height, 4 ft. 5½ ins. Ground clearance, 7½ ins. Turning circle, 33 ft. Dry weight, 24½ cwt.

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT MODEL.

Special equipment models affording an even higher degree of performance than the standard range are available and carry the following equipment. Special "C" type cylinder head with modified porting which, in conjunction with revised ignition curve and dual exhaust system combine to produce the extremely high power output of 210 b.h.p. at 5,750 r.p.m. Special equipment engines are also fitted with special high-speed crankshaft damper. Knock-on wire wheels, twin adjustable fog lamps and windscreen washers complete the items of special equipment.
THE 3½ LITRE JAGUAR XK140 2-3 SEATER COUPE

FRAME. Straight plane steel box section frame of immense strength, torsional rigidity ensured by large box section cross members.

TRANSMISSION. Four-speed single helical synchromesh gearbox. Ground teeth gears running on needle bearings. Synchromesh on 2nd, 3rd and top. Hydraulically controlled overdrive unit with manual control switch mounted on the facia panel (Overdrive models only).


SUSPENSION. Independent front suspension incorporating transverse wishbones and long torsion bars with telescopic shock absorbers. Rear suspension by large silico-manganese steel half elliptic springs controlled by telescopic shock absorbers.

BRAKES. Lockheed hydraulic with two leading shoe front brakes and 12 in. diameter drums. Friction lining area 189 sq. ins. Central handbrake operating on rear wheels only.

STEERING. Rack and pinion steering, rubber mounted to the chassis. 17 in. diameter steering wheel adjustable for reach. Left- or right-hand steering optional.

WHEELS AND TYRES. Pressed steel bolt-on disc wheels with Dunlop 600 x 16 in. Road Speed tyres.

FUEL SUPPLY. By large capacity S.U. electric pump from a 14 gallon tank. Petrol level warning light.


INSTRUMENTS. 5 in. diameter 140 m.p.h. speedometer, 5 in. diameter revolution counter, ammeter, oil pressure gauge, water thermometer gauge, petrol gauge with warning light. Electric clock.


SPARE WHEEL AND TOOLS. The spare wheel and tools are carried in a separate waterproof and dustproof compartment beneath the boot floor.

LUGGAGE ACCOMMODATION. Ample luggage accommodation is provided in a capacious rear locker provided with an automatic light. Front end of boot hinges down to increase storage space for golf clubs, etc.

JACKING. Centrally located jacking sockets on each side of the car enable the front and rear wheels on either side to be raised simultaneously by means of a special easy lift jack.

PRINCIPAL DIMENSIONS. Wheelbase, 8 ft. 6 ins.; track front, 4 ft. 3½ ins.; track rear, 4 ft. 2½ ins. Overall length, 14 ft. 8 in. Overall width, 5 ft. 4½ ins. Overall height, 4 ft. 7 ins. Ground clearance, 7½ ins. Turning circle, 33 ft. Dry weight, 25½ cwt.

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT MODELS

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THE 3½ LITRE JAGUAR XK140 DROPHEAD COUPE

FRAME. Straight plane steel box section frame of immense strength, torsional rigidity ensured by large box section cross members.

TRANSMISSION. Four-speed single helical synchronmesh gearbox. Ground teeth gears running on needle bearings. Synchronesh on 2nd, 3rd and top. Hydraulically controlled overdrive unit with manual control switch mounted on the facia panel (Overdrive models only).

   Gear ratios: Top 3.54; 3rd 4.28; 2nd 6.2; 1st and reverse 10.55.
   Overdrive 3.19: Top 4.09; 3rd 4.95; 2nd 7.16; 1st and reverse 12.4.

SUSPENSION. Independent front suspension incorporating transverse wishbones and long torsion bars with telescopic shock absorbers. Rear suspension by large silico-manganese steel half elliptic springs controlled by telescopic shock absorbers.

BRAKES. Lockheed hydraulic with two leading shoe front brakes and 12 in. diameter drums. Friction lining area 189 sq. ins. Central handbrake operating on rear wheels only.

STEERING. Rack and pinion steering, rubber mounted to the chassis. 17 in. diameter steering wheel adjustable for each. Left- or right-hand steering optional.

WHEELS AND TYRES. Pressed steel bolt-on disc wheels with Dunlop 600×16 in. Road Speed tyres.

FUEL SUPPLY. By large capacity S.U. electric pump from a 14 gallon tank. Petrol level warning light.


INSTRUMENTS. 5 in. diameter 140 m.p.h. speedometer, 5 in. diameter revolution counter, ammeter, oil pressure gauge, water thermometer gauge, petrol gauge with warning light. Electric clock.

BODY. Aerodynamic two-door drop head coupé. Two individually adjustable seats with two seats behind suitable for small children. Seating upholstered in finest quality leather. Instrument panel and garnish rails finished in finest quality figured walnut. Glove compartment on passenger's side, central drawer and ashtray. Winding windows disappear completely when fully lowered. Doors fitted with non-draught ventilator windows. Coupé top covered in moiré with fully lined interior. Head can be raised and lowered from inside the car.

SPARE WHEEL AND TOOLS. The spare wheel and tools are carried in a separate waterproof and dustproof compartment beneath the boot floor.

LUGGAGE ACCOMMODATION. Ample luggage accommodation is provided in a capacious rear locker provided with an automatic light. Front end of boot hinges down to increase storage space for golf clubs, etc.

JACKING. Centrally located jacking sockets on each side of the car enable the front and rear wheels on either side to be raised simultaneously by means of a special easy lift jack.

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SPECIAL EQUIPMENT MODELS

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THE MOST EFFICIENT PRODUCTION ENGINE IN THE WORLD

This is the XK engine which has earned a world wide reputation not only as the engine used in the Jaguar competition models, but as the basic power unit for the entire Jaguar range of cars. Its high power output and low fuel consumption coupled with an unparalleled degree of silence and flexibility has resulted in an engine which has been truly described as “one of the engineering masterpieces of the century”.

COMPARATIVE POWER CURVES

This graph shows the power curves of the standard and special equipment engines. It will be seen that the standard engine develops 190 b.h.p. at 5,500 r.p.m., whereas the special equipment engine produces a higher output of 210 b.h.p. at 5,500 r.p.m. This has been achieved by the use of the “C” type cylinder head which, combined with a revised ignition curve and dual exhaust system, results in an extremely high output without loss of silence or flexibility.
The above illustration shows the rear seating arrangement whereby two children or one adult can be accommodated behind the front seats. When the rear seats are not in use the front panel of the luggage locker (seen above the seat backrests) drops forward to form a platform, thus greatly increasing the carrying capacity of the locker.

The illustration at right shows the volume available for luggage when the front panel is in the horizontal position. Such large bulky articles as golf clubs can be carried with ease.
The Drophead Coupé

The illustration above shows the rear seating arrangement in the Drophead Coupé whereby two children can be accommodated behind the front seats. When the rear seats are not in use, the front panel of the luggage locker drops forward thus forming an extension platform enabling golf clubs and other bulky articles to be carried in the locker.

The illustration at left shows the coupé in open form with the top neatly concealed beneath a quickly removable tonneau cover. If desired the windows can be wound down to disappear completely within the doors.
COLOUR SCHEMES

The colour schemes listed below are standard, and any deviation involving special treatment of coachwork and/or upholstery will entail extra charges for which a quotation will be given at the time of ordering.

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