

FOR SALE

1972 SM – Ready for the road

This is an extraordinarily clean and original US-version SM, Dave Burnham's personal show car. Price is \$27,900.



I have owned this car for six years, and I have known the previous owners since 1978, when I worked at Carmichael Citroën in Albany.

In the last three years I have driven this car from central New York to Dearborn, Michigan and twice to Carlisle, Pennsylvania without incident. In July 2010 I drove it to the Hemmings New England Concours d'Elegance in Vermont, where it won the trophy for Best Citroën.

This car is the full US-spec model with automatic transmission and all the original US-spec equipment, including working emission controls with air pump, and the buzzers for the key and seat belts. It has the correct, original type XWX tires. Everything works, from the air conditioning down to the little light under the hood.

Unlike SM's that have no emission controls, this car does not send out black exhaust smoke when accelerated from a stop. The downside of the emission controls is that they raise the under hood temperature, making the car hard to start if it has been sitting after being shut off while hot. To solve that problem, this car has a K & N air filter for hot weather driving. The original barrel-type air filter shown in the photos is also included.

The odometer shows 56260 miles, which I believe is accurate. The odometer has never stopped working to the best of my knowledge, and the interior of the car has a patina appropriate to this mileage.

The car was repainted in 2008, color matched to the original paint on the insides of the doors, by restoration specialists Ensign Autobody of Albany, NY.

It has all original carpets and two-piece seat belts in nice condition. The radio works as well as any 1972 radio does.

The new owner will receive my multipage record detailing all the work I have done on the car, including the following:

- Installed new battery, timing chains, OEM exhaust manifolds, oil cooler hoses, transmission hoses, brakes, fluids, all filters (air, oil, and fuel), water pump seal, ignition wires, fuel lines, power antenna, wiper blades, door and trunk seals
- Overhauled carburetors
- Rebuilt spheres
- Installed 123 ignition (original distributor comes with the car)
- Replaced one window motor and installed brass window gears in both doors
- Balanced wheels
- Polished stainless steel body parts
- Reconditioned (polished, bead blasted, and painted) hubcaps

The one notable flaw is that the top of the rear seat cover is starting to split, which is shown in the extensive set of photos at: <http://tinyurl.com/2ur4a9j>.

This SM is a great running and driving car. It rides like a Citroën should and goes straight down the road. It is the only SM that we see at my shop that still has all its original U.S.-version equipment.

The car will be sold with a bill of sale and a transferable New York registration.

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