

X300 & DAIMLER 94-97



EXCHANGE X300 FOR DAIMLER V8 Swap my 1996 N Reg XJ6 3.2 X300 Metallic Ice Blue, Regatta Blue Leather, FSH, VGC, long MoT and tax for Daimler V8, any year, must be of similar value £4,000, will travel anywhere. Tel: David Barker 07766 630671 (Selsey, W.Sussex) Eves

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XJ6 S1. 4.2 engine and auto box 7L 675145 72/73, 61,000 miles £250; rear r/h bumper BD 38808 £100; rear centre bumper BD 38810 £100; both bumpers in original BL packing brand new. Tel: 01428 653357 (Haslemere, Surrey)

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SPECIALIST SPOTLIGHT

Lepsons Ltd



Freshly refurbished alloy wheels are hung up to dry

Back in period, few of the cars that are today considered 'classics' wore alloy wheels, although Minilite items were a firm favourite for competition use. In today's world though, virtually every car has at least an option of alloys with many supplied as standard – and that appeal has rubbed off on classic owners too.

In 1994 Tony Leppenwell (and his then partner) saw the future and developed a system to refurbish alloy and wire wheels. In a bold move, he visited all the local garages, offering them a free, top quality refurbishment of one set of wheels. Many signed up for the service provided by Tony's company, named Lepsons, especially as he also offered a collection and delivery deal.

As the popularity of alloy wheels grew, so did the business. Eight years ago, Lepsons moved to bigger premises and it has been steadily expanding ever since to the point where today, it's taking on even more space to cope with demand. Currently, over 500 wheels are refurbished each week, although judging by current trends this is likely to grow to 750 very soon. Six vans are on the road daily serving the trade. Any type of wheel (including motorbike items) can be treated including wires, steel and alloys.

Steel wheels are blasted to get back to the base metal while alloy wheels are stripped with a chemical medium. Each one is inspected for any damage, usually caused by bumping kerbs. Unless really severe, most damage can be repaired by welding. The repair is then skimmed back to suit. Once checked, the wheels then go through the process of either powder coating or diamond tip polishing. Any colour or finish is available. That means if you want your XK wires in body colour or your original Kent alloys correctly finished in two-tone – it's not a problem. Later split-rim wheels are also catered for, with the outer rim available separately in case of damage.

Of course, there are a number of associated services too. Just drop your car in to have the wheels refinished for a same-day service or collect it after 48 hours. While it's there, it can be valeted or even fitted with a complete set of new tyres (tyre supply is a recently added service and Lepsons reckons it can beat most prices).

Wheel refurbishment prices start at £37 (+VAT) to polish or paint one wheel if it's brought in with the tyre removed. At the other end of the scale, you could leave your car there and collect it at the end of the day with five wheels refinished for £250 (+ VAT).

Jim Patten

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