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1966-1969 Porsche 912



Perhaps the greatest sports car ever built was Porsche's 911. The ultimate driver's car, it offered exceptional handling, fantastic brakes and a high-revving flat-six air-cooled engine that was as powerful as it was reliable, all in a cozy 2+2 fastback body. With a price tag that's just beyond what the average enthusiast can afford, Porsche's entry level 912 makes a perfect alternative sports car for those willing to accept a reduction in power. With either a 90 or a 102 hp flat-four instead of Porsche's distinctive Six, the 912 rewarded its drivers with slightly better handling than the faster 911 due to the 912's lower weight and better balance. The 912's maintenance costs are notably less than the 911 too, since parts for the four-cylinder engine are cheaper. Everything else on the 912 is nearly identical to that of its more powerful sibling which means just about every body panel, trim piece and mechanical component is available, along with a huge aftermarket of performance parts. Weak and rusted floor pans can be problem on northern climate cars so watch out. Judging by the ads in Hemmings Motor News, about \$6,000 will get you a 912 in really good condition.

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