

Copy of the MG Factory production record

This copy is from a handwritten copy of the production records for the MGBGTV8 model made by the late Geoff Allen (foreman in Rectifications Department) who worked at the Abingdon MG Plant for 27 years until it closed. Geoff made the copy in his tea and lunch breaks as he feared that with the closure of the Plant approaching he feared the production records might be binned and lost as valuable production data.

Car Prefix	Chass No	Engine No	Body Exterior Paint Colour	Interior Trim Colour	Model Year	Program Schedule	Works Classification	Main Agent Advised for Despatch	Comments
GD2D1 99 G		4860 1755 A	Blaze	Navy Blue	1972	Pre Prod	32	BLMC Austin Morris M.G. Cars Marcham Road, ABINGDON on THAMES, Berkshire	Pre Production Left Hand Drive North American Specification

The Body Colour is recorded on the production records as **Blaze** although some sources refer to the colour as Flame.

The Chassis Number is recorded on the Factory production record as **99**. This car is recorded on the V8 Register Database as **0099**

MGBGTV8 (Blaze 99) was seen listed for auction in 2022 by Lloyds Auctioneers and Valuers in Australia in 2022

See our Pricewatch news item - "The first Pre-Production Development Company Prototype MGBGTV8 has appeared for auction in Australia. The car is offered by the family of the owner David Darke, who has sadly passed away. The auction is live to around 16th December 2022". We have no information on the outcome of the auction and whether the car was sold or if remained in the Darke family.

See the Pricewatch news item which includes photos of Blaze 99 available in the auction listing.

<https://www.v8register.net/v8/news221206-mgbgtv8-0099-auction.htm>

The advert offering Blaze 99 for sale seen recently in Australia shows **Harry Darke** in the Seller information.

It was last registered with the V8 Database **David Darke** in Queensland, Australia in October 2008.

Previous owners who registered the car with the V8 Register Database:

Robin Dodson in Yorkshire

RA Swain in Essex.