

MGBGTV8 restoration project – Report 15

Took some time out to pull another restoration project out from where it has slept since I bought it in 1988! An MGB Roadster 1964 three syncro car. A lot of work to do but having confirmed with British Heritage that it is an early production car it has been added to my restore list.



Now on with the engine. I have had a new 4 litre engine sitting in the wings for a few years religiously rotating it every month or so and pumping oil round the system every 3 months to maintain it in good condition. Soon this will not be necessary as it will be in the car being driven --- hopefully.



The first job was to strip everything needed from the old engine which was done a few months ago. That being done now time to find all of the parts, clean, degrease and paint where necessary. I decided that as the majority of the suspension parts are black all brackets and engine parts would be maroon just to swing the changes. I also happen to have 2 litres of maroon engine paint!

The first up was the front cover as I knew that several bolts had sheared off while being removed. At that time I had applied liberal amounts of WD40. Careful drilling and the use of easy outs removed the studs then on with the de greasing and cleaning.



Then on with the cleaning, bead blasting and painting



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Next the sump that had various dents and one side was very rusty. I removed the dents and welded in new sections to the side.

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Once repairs were carried out a coat of maroon engine paint completed the job.



On the 10th July 2017 all work came to a halt to celebrate **my mother's 108th birthday.**

