This is a sports car that some men could go out of their mind over. It’s a sports car that some men could go without. But won’t... Saab Sonett III Another Well-Built Swede...
Saab Sonett III is a different sports car—from its Italian designed body to its solid Swedish chassis. It's a different kind of a sports car because of its true aerodynamic design—something found only in the most expensive of the breed. (Saab also builds all the supersonic jets used by the Swedish Air Force.)
Technical details Saab Sonett III, 1971

Dimensions and weights
Wheelbase 84.6 in.
Track, front and rear 48.5 in.
Overall length, approx. 154 in.
Overall width 59 in.
Overall height, unladen, 47 in.
Ground clearance, fully loaded, 5 in.
Curb weight approx. 1,790 lb.
Max. weight, fully loaded, 2,160 lb.
Gas tank holds 14.5 US gallons.

Engine
V-type 4-cylinder engine.
Piston displacement 103.6 cu.in. (1,698 cc).
Bore 3.54 in. (90 mm).
Stroke 2.63 in. (66.8 mm).
Compression ratio 8.0:1.
Max. output, SAE, 73 b.h.p. at 5000 r.p.m.
Max. output, DIN, 65 b.h.p. at 4700 r.p.m.
Max. torque, SAE, 87 lb. ft. at 2700 r.p.m.
Max. torque, DIN, 85 lb. ft. at 2500 r.p.m.
Cooling system holds 7.4 qts.
Lubricant quantity 3.5 qts.

Transmission
Front-wheel drive. Free-wheel.
Single dry plate clutch, hydraulically operated.
Four forward gears, all synchromesh.
Floor-mounted gear shift lever.
Gear ratios, engine to wheels: 1st 16.2:1, 2nd 9.7:1, 3rd 6.0:1, top 3.9:1, reverse 14.8:1.
Final drive ratio 4.57:1.
Road speed in top gear at 1000 r.p.m.
Engine speed 18.1 m.p.h.

Brakes
Diagonally divided dual circuit hydraulic foot brake system. Lockheed make.
10.5 in. diameter disc brakes at front.
8 in. drum brakes at rear.
Handbrake sets mechanically on rear wheels.

Steering
Rack and pinion type.
Steering gear ratio, steering wheel/driving wheels, average 15.5:1.
Number of steering wheel turns, lock to lock, 2.7.
Turning radius (between curbs) 15.4 ft.

Suspension
Coil springs and double acting telescopic shock absorbers front and rear.
Independent front wheel suspension. (Transverse wishbones.)
Rigid, U-shape, tubular rear axle.

Electrical system
12 volt battery, 44 Ah.
Alternator type generator.
Starting motor: 1.0 hp.

Wheels and Tires
15 in. wide rim wheels.
Radial ply tires. 155 SR 15 in.

Body
GRP-laminate body on all-welded steel chassis.
Nominal laminate thickness 0.12 in.
Laminated glass windshield.
Anti-corrosion treatment.
Underbody coating.

Performance
Top speed approx. 105 m.p.h.
Acceleration from rest to 60 m.p.h. in 11.5 seconds.

Note our leather upholstery on seats as optional extra. Aluminum wheels and driving lights are available at extra cost, where permitted by local law.

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