

Anthony Paolercio writes: I was lucky in finding and purchasing my Cougar Eliminator in September of 2022, after a couple years of chasing and bidding. It's a very rare/scarce vehicle to find. They were only made for 2 years, 1969-1970, and only a total of approx. 5,000 vehicles. What makes it even more scarce is the 428 Cobra Jet. There were only 304 built with the auto trans. In 1969. My Eliminator with the 428 Cobra Jet Ram Air was a 1 of 1 as built per the in-depth Marti Report. The power assisted brakes were what made it a 1 of 1. The Eliminator has its original motor and trans. with 27,000miles (believed to be actual). I think there were 2 owners from new till 1977. During this prior ownership, it appears the car was track raced. The traction bars and extended oil pan are still on the car! My paper trail begins in 1977 when the car was traded in. For the next 46 years, the car was owned by 3 generations in 1 family. The original owner stored the car in a well-ventilated barn with several other cars until his passing (yes, a barn car!). The second-generation owner had the motor rebuilt and the car restored in 2007 through 2008. The interior is all original except for the head liner. In their 46 years of ownership, there was only a little over 2,000 miles added going back to 1977. There is enough documentation, title changes, receipts etc, that I believe the mileage is accurate. Since purchasing the Eliminator from the third generation (grandson), I have switched out the fan and fan clutch to run a little cooler in our Florida heat. Also rebuilt the carb, a fuel pump, and a tune up. It's a very rare car with very low miles that I hope to enjoy for the years to come!