

The Classic Matchup?



TRIUMPH SPITFIRE 1500 (US specifications)

Number Built: 314,332 Spitfires; 95829 1500's
Number Still Airworthy: wish I knew
First Year: Oct. 1962

Size:

Weight: Empty 1,814 lbs., Max 2,339 lbs.
Length: 12ft. 5in.
Height: 3ft. 9in.
Width: 4ft. 10.5in.

Engine:

Triumph I-4 piston engine
Displacement: 91 cu.in.
Weight: 220 lbs.
53 hp at 5500 rpm
Zenith-Stromberg carburetor

Performance:

Maximum Speed: ~94 mph
Range: 297 miles
Mileage: 25-30 mpg

Fuel:

9.9 gallons
91 octane fuel

SUPERMARINE SPITFIRE MKXXVIII

Number Built: 20,334 Spitfires; 2,556 Seafires
Number Still Airworthy: ~50
First Year: 1938 first Mk I Spitfire was delivered to the RAF

Size:

Weight: Empty 4,998 lbs., Max Takeoff 7775 lbs.
Length: 31ft. 3in.
Height: 12ft. 7in.
Width (wingspan): 36ft. 10in.

Engine:

Rolls-Royce Griffon V-12 Supercharged
Displacement: 1,649 cu.in.
Weight: 1,690 lbs.
2500 HP at 3000 rpm at 7000 feet
Bendix-Stromberg carburetor

Performance:

Maximum Speed: 408 mph
Range: 434 miles
Mileage: 1-1.25 gal./minute

Fuel:

92 gallons (57 in the top tank, 35 in the bottom tank)
87 octane fuel

