

## HEALEY HARD TOP IDENTIFICATION

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In determining the difference between a 2+2 and a 2 seater hard top you should look for the following:

1. Look at the aluminum extrusion at the rear of the Hard Top where it mates to the car. The 2+2 hard top sits on the Aluminum surround and is flat over the entire mating surface. The 2 seater hard top sits on the body and follows the shape of the body. The aluminum extrusion will dip downward around the area at the outer ends of the Plexiglas rear window approximately 9/16 Inch.
2. If the J Bolt mounting brackets are still on the hard top you can measure them to determine which top it is. The 2+2 hard top brackets are a little over 2 inches long. The 2 seater hard top brackets are over 4 inches long.

The only difference between the 2 hard tops is the Plexiglas rear window, the rear lower aluminum extrusion, the rear body seals and the two mounting

Brackets. They are identical in all other respects.

I have two 2+2 Hard tops that I am modifying to fit my BN6 and BN7. I've had new Plexiglas made for a 2 seater and am planning on removing the lower rear extrusion to reshape it to fit the body. I have already machined new brackets to replace the shorter ones. I've been told that freezing the aluminum will bring it back to dead soft so that it can be reshaped. Haven't tried that yet but plan on giving it a try.

Bill Bolton has the Plexiglas rear windows. British Specialties has all the rear surface mounting seals and Roger Moment is having side screen opening seals made.

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