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Bonhams at Hendon 1st March 2004 - Review and Results



The 1937 Rolls-Royce 40/50hp Phantom III sold lowish on estimate for £37,950 including buyer's premium, but the real sensation was the price achieved by a humble 1955 Bentley 'R' Type Steel Saloon achieving some £20,000 over estimate, selling for an amazing £40,250.

'Particularly attractive' was the expression used in our preview of this auction and closer examination on the day revealed a very tidy, original car with excellent provenance, but few people were prepared for one of Bentley's more ordinary 1950s' products to go for such a sum. Easy to say, (and I was slightly mistaken in describing Christie's Derby Bentley at Rétromobile as such), but surely a record for the type?



Other interesting cars that sold included the **1965 Maserati Sebring Series II Coupe** for £14,260, a very attractive little **1933 Morgan 1,098cc J.A.P.-engined Beetleback Super Sports** for £23,000 and the **1958 Rolls-Royce Silver Cloud Saloon** (Coachwork by Hooper & Co) for £21,850.



Bonhams next motor car auction in the

UK will be on 26th April, again at Hendon. A highlight of the sale will be the A J Lees Collection of rare and

exotic **Ferrari**, **Maserati**, **Jaguar**, **Fraser Nash** and **BMW** spares. This is a single-owner collection from the UK, and when collected filled up four artic lorries. The majority of Ferrari spares were found at the family home. There are literally thousands of spares including one set of carburettors, estimated in excess of £10,000, as well as a **Ferrari 275 GTB 6C** Alloy bodied car project incorporating the chassis, body and principal parts (estimate £40,000-60,000). There are also two significant sports-racing cars from 1955 in need of total restoration including this **1955 Ferrari 500 Testa Rossa** (chassis 0640MD/TR), an unassembled chassis accompanied by 2-litre 4-cylinder engine and gearbox and many subsidiary parts. The other car, a **1955 Ferrari Mondial Spider** fitted with 750 Monza 3-litre engine (chassis 0560MD) is an assembled rolling chassis with engine and transaxle accompanied by restorable original body panelling and other components.

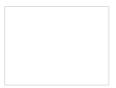
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Please note:

The vehicle names/details below are as given by the auction house. Prices are in £stg including buyer's premium.

Car	Price
1964 Austin-Healey Sprite MkIII Roadster	2185
c.1962 Ford Consul Classic Saloon	1265
1987 Ford Capri 280 'Brooklands' Coupe	3150
1976 Lancia Fulvia 1.3 Series 3 Two-Door Coupe	2185
1982 Mini 1000 City Saloon	1035
1971 Morris Minor Traveller	2415
1929 Austin 12/4 Four Seat Tourer	11500
1924 Buick Four Coupe	7590
1967 Jaguar Mk2 3.4-Litre Saloon	7935
1988 Maserati Biturbo Coupe	Not Sold
1973 Jensen Interceptor Series III Coupe	5980
1978 Daimler Sovereign 4.2-Litre Coupe	7130
1955 Bentley 'R' Type 4,566cc Standard Steel Saloon	40250
1970 Bentley T1 Saloon	Not Sold
1924 Chenard et Walcker 12hp Four-Seat Tourer	Not Sold
1939 Merlin Aerees 3.4-litre Sports 2+2 Seater	Not Sold
1968 Jaguar E-Type 4.2-Litre Coupe	Not Sold
1971 Lotus Elan Sprint Coupe	Not Sold
1933 Morgan 1,098cc J.A.Pengined Beetleback Super Sports	23000
1914 Lancia Theta 35hp 4.9 litre, 'Barnstaple' Two-Seater with Dickey	23000
1928 Packard Six Limousine Coachwork by Packard	Not Sold
1958 Rolls-Royce Silver Cloud Saloon Coachwork by Hooper & Co	21850
1935 Talbot 75 Tourer Coachwork by Corsica, The 'Arctic' Talbot,	14663
1927 Ford Model 'T' Two-Seat Roadster with Ruxtell Two Speed Rear Axle	Not Sold
1928 Essex Super Six Phaeton	Not Sold
1922 Oldsmobile 43-A Tourer	Not Sold
1899/1900 Shepherd Twin Cylinder-Engined Vehicle	690
c.1928 American LaFrance Fire Engine	8050
1939 Morgan MX2 Super Sports Roadster	Not Sold
1919 Ford Model 'T' Fixed Head Doctor's Coupé	Not Sold
1965 Maserati Sebring Series II Coupe Coachwork by Vignale	14260
1965 Chevrolet Corvette Sting Ray Coupe	21275
1937 Rolls-Royce 40/50hp Phantom III Sedanca De Ville Coachwork by H J Mulliner & Co. Ltd	37950
1970 Jaguar E-Type 4.2 Litre Series 2 Roadster	Not Sold
1910 Maxwell Model Q 22hp Tourer	Not Sold
1980 Mercedes-Benz 380SLC Coupe	Not Sold
1971 Jaguar E-Type Series III V12 Roadster	Not Sold

Bonhams annual all-Aston Martin Sale of motor cars and automobilia (including James Bond items) will be at held at 'Works Service', Newport Pagnell on 8th May.



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