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1924 Bentley 3 Litre - Red Label

Red Label

Lot sold	USD 197 657 - 240 012 GBP 140 000 - 170 000 (listed)	Lenkung	Rechts
Baujahr	1924	Innenfarbe	Sonstige
Getriebe	Schaltgetriebe	Zustand	Gebraucht
Antrieb	Zweirad	Standort	
		Kraftstoff	Benzin
		Außenfarbe	Sonstige
		Automobiltyp	Cabriolet / Roadster
		Markenfarbe außen	Blue

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Registration Number: YM1796 Chassis Number: 356

The Rabagliati 3 Litre is recognised as one of the milestones in the sporting history of the motor car. Chassis 356 was the first 'Red Label' Bentley produced and it was this model that was to lay the foundations of Bentley's financial success. The 'Red Label' became the envy of sporting motorists and race followers the world over.

The final specification of the first 'Red Label', short chassis, speed model (generally known in the

works as 'speed one') was signed off by W.O. himself in July 1923, and the running chassis No 356, engine No 357, was completed in late August of that year and was put on show in Bentley's showrooms in Hanover Street, W1.

Apparently the future ownership of this rather special car was hotly contested. A number of famous sporting motorists of the period, such as J.D. Benjafield, were a

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