


CLASSIC DRIVER

1957 Aston Martin DB2/4

Lot sold	USD 0 EUR 0 (listed)	Lenkung	Links
Baujahr	1957	Zustand	Restauriert
Losnummer	154	Standort	
		Außenfarbe	Sonstige
		Automobiltyp	Coupé

Beschreibung

French title

Chassis n° AM300/3/1358

Engine n° DBA 983

- Left-hand drive, front disc brakes
- Original engine completely rebuilt in 2014
- The 58th example built
- From an important Jaguar car dealer
- Original colour, competition-style factory options

Expensive, sporty and sophisticated, the DB 2/4 gave rise to a fabulous line of descendants in the Aston " DB " series. Elements of the DB2 and DB2/4 were used and refined in subsequent models through to the DB6. The DB2/4 was in many ways the last Aston Martin that expressed its distinctive personality free from the compromise of competition. This car is figured in the original Ian Flemming comic James Bond 007. Production remained limited, with just 550 examples built, all variations combined and according to the chassis number this particular example is the 58th built.

The car on offer, left-hand drive, was ordered by the American Morris Fischer in September 1957, and there are copies in the file of the £3,241 cheque to Aston Martin for this purchase, the period UK registration document and the original bill of sale. The Aston factory sheet gives Mr Fischer's address in Nice, where the car was delivered new. It is possible that this man had some sporting ambitions, as the optional extras hint at competition : disc brakes at the front, armrests in the two doors and additional Smiths oil temperature gauge. In 1977 the car passed into the hands of Charles Hårdstedt, followed by Mr Holmgard in 1985, both residents of Nice. From this period onwards there is a file of invoices documenting the car's continuous maintenance, which includes replacing the dynamo with an alternator, a preferable option. It passed then to Mr Ferrero who sold the car to Mr Ralf Emmerling. He kept the Aston for more than 15 years, using it to take part in numerous rallies including the Winter Marathon and the Varese Coppa. In 2004 work carried out included the fitting of a stainless steel exhaust, new shock absorbers as well as a new water pump and aluminium radiator. The current owner acquired the car a few years ago. A British car enthusiast and a Jaguar and Land Rover dealer, he had the car checked by his team, in particular the very experienced workshop manager. To ensure that it ran perfectly, the engine was completely overhauled. This work included repairs to the lower engine, the fitting of a new crankshaft and crankshaft bearings, cylinder head gasket, adjustment to the valve seats and new guides. The parts bill came to £7 700, and the labour cost was 5 634. Extremely well set up, this sporty car retains its original DBA engine, a straight-six, twin-cam 2 922cc unit fed by twin SU carburettors. It has been repainted its original Aston colour, " Golden ", and re-upholstered in beige leather (Connolly ref. VM 3097), which, along with the carpets and roof lining, respect the original livery. The car has wire wheels and a wooden Nardi steering wheel. In this desirable specification conforming to the original, and in superb condition, this car is

the ideal vehicle for taking part in style in the best historic events.

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