


CLASSIC DRIVER



1964 Mercedes-Benz W111/112

Lot sold	USD 49 503 - 57 319 GBP 38 000 - 44 000 (listed)	Lenkung	Links
Baujahr	1964	Zustand	Gebraucht
Chassisnummer	11201422005805	Standort	
Zahl der Sitze	2	Kraftstoff	Benzin
Antrieb	Zweirad	Außenfarbe	Sonstige
Losnummer	362		

Beschreibung

1964 Mercedes-Benz 300SE 'Fintail' Competition Saloon

Registration no. HTW 519B

Chassis no. 11201422005805

This Mercedes-Benz historic competition saloon is one of two in this sale (the other being Lot 380) race-prepared by motor engineer Richard Miles of Tipton Garage, a former Brabham Formula 1 mechanic and Daniel Richmond's right-hand man at legendary tuners, Downton Engineering. The project was commissioned by the then owner, a prominent Mercedes-Benz collector and marque expert. After a lengthy search for a suitable donor, this right-hand drive 300SE 'Fintail' was stripped down to the bare shell and rebuilt from the ground upwards to racing specification, including a FIA-compliant full roll cage and all mandatory safety equipment. Both the engine and the four-speed manual gearbox were painstakingly rebuilt at Tipton Garage by Richard's son, Stephen Miles, a former development engineer at Janspeed Engineering where he was a key member of the team responsible for running Nissan's works effort in the British Touring Car Championship. A limited-slip differential was installed, while the original power-assisted steering was retained to reduce driver fatigue these big Mercedes-Benz saloons are heavy! Goodwood's particular insistence on the retention of period features on historic saloons meant that the Mercedes had to keep its factory steel wheels and full interior trim. Like that of its 'Ponton' stablemate, this car's attention to detail has seen it acknowledged as one of the best presented entries at the Goodwood Revival, even impressing visiting directors of Mercedes-Benz.

Completed in 1998, this historic racer has been invited to all applicable St Mary's Trophy races since the Goodwood Revival was instigated 20 years ago. In those early Revivals, the then owner co-drove with Octane magazine's renowned journalist/racer, Mark Hales, and later with a succession of celebrities including racing legends such as Sir Jack Brabham, Richard Attwood, Brian Redman, Jochen Mass, and Derek Daly, as well as motoring enthusiast and actor, Rowan Atkinson. 'HTW 519B' has also competed at the Nürburgring's 'Nordschleife' Marathon three times; at the Silverstone Classic on numerous occasions; and at many HRDC events. During this 17-year period, the car was always maintained regardless of cost by Tipton Garage, who kept it in first class order.

When the owner/driver retired from active participation in motor sports, both of his historic Mercedes-Benz racers were purchased by the current vendor. The current owner acquired the car in January 2016 and is only offering it for sale today for medical reasons. This Mercedes (and its 220S stablemate) has been maintained to a very high standard by Ian Nuthall's 'INRacing', specialists in historic competition cars of all kinds, and is presented in ready-to-race condition. Offered with old-style FIA papers, this well-known Mercedes-Benz racing saloon represents a wonderful opportunity to own a car having one of the longest associations with Goodwood's much loved Revival meeting.

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