


CLASSIC DRIVER



1994 Land Rover Range Rover

Lot sold	USD 57 315 - 70 051 GBP 45 000 - 55 000 (listed)	Lenkung	Links
Baujahr	1994	Zustand	Gebraucht
Chassisnummer	SALLHAAF8KA-647644	Standort	
Zahl der Sitze	2	Kraftstoff	Benzin
Antrieb	Zweirad	Außenfarbe	Sonstige
Losnummer	338		

Beschreibung

The last two-door model
1994 Range Rover 200 Tdi 4x4 Estate
Registration no. not UK registered
Chassis no. SALLHAAF8KA-647644

Probably the most important left-hand drive 'Classic' Range Rover in existence, and a significant piece of Land Rover history, '647644' is the very last two-door model off the production line in Solihull on 11th January 1994, destined for Portugal.

In his book, Range Rover First Generation The Complete Story, James Taylor states: 'Two-door Range Rovers reached Portugal in "van" form with no rear seats and with temporary plain black panels made of board in the side window apertures. Once safely in the country, they were then united with the missing elements and built up into ordinary two-door models for sale. The very last two-door Range Rover, SALLHAAF8KA-647644 built in January 1994, was one of these fake vans destined for Portugal'. '647644' is also mentioned in another chapter in the book.

The accompanying BMIHT Certificate confirms that the exterior colour, engine, front axle, gearbox, rear axle, and transfer box numbers are matching. Unfortunately, the trim is mistakenly said to be

'teal and smokestone leather'. However, the car still has its the original Brogue Brown cloth seats (leather was not an option for diesel two-door models). Factory options include air conditioning; electric windows and rear view mirrors; central locking including tailgate; and a rear window wiper. Although the walnut veneer was not fitted at the factory, it was a popular dealer-fit option in Portugal. Before the restoration (see below) all the veneer was peeling off; it has now been restored, preserving another part of the Portuguese history. The standard plastic side mouldings were not attached when the car was pictured coming off the production line, but they are included in the sale.

Delivered to a dealer in Lisbon, Portugal in April 1994, this Range Rover was registered to three owners in that country (documentation on file) before its acquisition by the current vendor in August 2018. The car was found to be rust free, never welded and mechanically in excellent condition, albeit in need of re-commissioning after a long period standing idle. Comprehensive restoration and conservation works have included a professional re-spray, gearbox overhaul, detailing of engine bay, and a full service. The many new parts fitted include the bumpers, steering wheel, all lights and lenses, and a new-old-stock period-correct Range Rover/Clarion radio/cassette. Everything has been checked for correct operation including the air conditioning.

2020 will be the 50th Anniversary of the Range Rover while 2019 marks the 25th Anniversary of the end of two-door production, making this historic example of special interest to collectors and enthusiasts.

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