

1957 Chevrolet Corvette - Fuel-Injected Roadster

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- Lot sold
USD 100 000 - 115 000
Year of manufacture 1957
- **Gearbox** Manual
- **Drivetrain** 2wd
- **Drive** LHD
- **Interior colour** Other
- **Condition** Used
- **Location** 
- **Fuel type** Petrol
- **Exterior colour** Other
- **Car type** Convertible / Roadster
- **Exterior brand colour** Venetian Red
- **Interior brand colour** Red
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Description

Chevrolet's introduction of the option of fuel-injection for the 1957 season was inspired for it provided the now bored out 283 cubic inch V8 with a matched number of horses under the hood. It was first tested as a solution to gas 'sloshing' of carburetor aspirated cars turning into bends under race conditions at Sebring in 1956, and then rolled out as an option for the next production season. Retrospectively it is amazing to think that Chevrolet were able to offer this contemporaneously with Mercedes-Benz's 300SL while on other high end machinery it would be more than a decade before this would be the commonplace. And all at once, the term 'fuelie' was born.

From the mid-60s through the mid-90s, this Fuelie was owned by Mr Pillsbury, a California based Corvette collector. In that ownership the car had undergone a comprehensive body-off restoration, during which it was ascertained that the car had a fully correctly numbered drive train, including its rare late '57 series f

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