

# CLASSIC DRIVER

## 1956 Cooper Bobtail - Type 39 Climax

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- Lot sold  
USD 136 812 - 178 908  
EUR 130 000 - 170 000 (listed)  
**Year of manufacture** 1956
- **Gearbox** Manual
- **Competition car** Yes
- **Drivetrain** 2wd
- **Drive** LHD
- **Interior colour** Other
- **Condition** Used
- **Location** 
- **Fuel type** Petrol
- **Exterior colour** Other
- **Car type** Convertible / Roadster
- **Exterior brand colour** Green
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### Description

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Germany

Saturday 14 August 2010

Motor Cars at 16:00

Admission by catalogue only - admits two.

Registration Number: N/A Chassis Number: C5/52/56

Following its motor racing debut in the 500cc single seater category in 1947, it was clear that the Cooper marque would be a force to be reckoned with. Like most of the other motorcycle-engined machines, the Cooper 500 was rear-engined due to such a configuration being the most practical by which to link the motor's chain drive to the rear wheels. It also enabled the design to be as compact as possible while optimising weight distribution. The recipe worked well and provided Cooper with invaluable experience when the Surbiton, Surrey, based company stepped up to higher formulae. Indeed, it was Cooper that led the rear-engined revolution in Grand Prix racing with every other constructor - including a famous Italian marque, despite Enzo Ferrari once insisting to John Cooper that no racing car of his would

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