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1952 Rolls-Royce Silver Wraith

Lot sold	USD 26 308 - 32 885 GBP 20 000 - 25 000 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1952	Condition	Used
Chassis number	WVH23	Location	
Number of seats	2	Fuel type	Petrol
Drivetrain	2wd	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	164	Engine number	W22N

Description

1952 Rolls-Royce Silver Wraith Saloon

Coachwork by James Young

Registration no. AFC 123

Chassis no. WVH23

Engine no. W22N

The last word in motoring luxury in its day, this James Young-bodied Rolls-Royce Silver Wraith was first owned by Sir George Bracewell Smith, who held directorships with several prominent companies as well as Arsenal Football Club, hence the registration 'AFC 123' (now non-transferable). In 1992 the car was brought back from the USA by The Real Car Company and in 2010 came into the possession of the current vendor's family. Expired MoTs on file show the recorded mileage in 1992 as 71,083, while the current odometer reading of 94,000 miles indicates that a mere 23,000-or-so have been covered over the course of the last 22 years. Recent works carried out include a service, renewal of gaskets, overhauling the cooling system and replacing the engine mounts. An older restoration, the car is described as in generally good condition, although it would benefit from sympathetic tidying. Recent outings include a trip from Sussex to Cornwall. Driven to the sale, this handsome coachbuilt Rolls-Royce is offered with copy chassis cards, C&E Form 386, recently expired MoT/tax (May 2014) and V5C registration document.

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