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[Would you pay more than €200,000 for this Volkswagen bus?](#)

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On 28 November 2014, Auctionata of Berlin will auction off a selection of 40 classics, including this first-series Volkswagen T1 estimated to fetch €192,000 to €240,000...

The Bulli with the big mouth



Apparently, only 11 of these 1955 'barn-door' buses with DeLuxe facilities remain in existence. These late first-series vehicles inherited the nickname due to the large rear door, which provides access to the engine and spare wheel compartment. According to the accompanying history file, this [9-seat, 23-window bus](#) was delivered to Austria on March 7 1955; it has covered a mere 10,305km since.



You'll pay handsomely for the rarity and originality, as the estimate is set at €192,000 to €240,000 – but the included tidbits such as the Austrian delivery papers and Samsonite leather suitcase might make it worthwhile.

A more reasonably priced pair





Two later Type 2 buses join this rare example, thankfully with easier-to-swallow estimates: the first is a [1967 VW T1 DeLuxe 'restoration project'](#), estimated to sell for €40,000–€50,000. Meanwhile, a ['Double-Door' Samba model from the same year](#) is estimated at €64,000–€80,000, resplendent in silver but in need of a new interior.

Buses in Berlin



Several other interesting classics will join this trio in the [lotlist for Auctionata's November 28 sale in Berlin](#).

Our 10 favourites from the Auctionata sale in Berlin

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