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## 1957 Porsche 356

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| Lot sold            | <b>USD 0</b><br>GBP 0 (listed) | Drive                 | RHD   |
| Year of manufacture | 1957                           | Interior colour       | Black |
| Gearbox             | Manual                         | Condition             | Used  |
| Chassis number      | 100814                         | Location              |       |
| Lot number          | 410                            | Exterior colour       | Blue  |
|                     |                                | Car type              | Other |
|                     |                                | Engine number         | 83306 |
|                     |                                | Exterior brand colour | Blue  |
|                     |                                | Interior brand colour | Black |

### Description

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Porsche introduced the 356A at the Frankfurt Motor Show in September 1955 which thoroughly updated their 356 line-up of coupes, cabriolets and speedsters although Reutter remained the coachbuilder. Improving tyre technology enabled more effective suspension settings and higher fuel octanes allowed better performance from the 1600cc engine.

Externally the 356A was only slightly different with wider tyres, a rubber strip below the doors and a curved screen marking the changes. The interior now received a flat-face dashboard, locking glove box and a radio. Other appointments included a headlight flasher, automatic interior lighting and self-cancelling indicators although a steering wheel lock and a clock remained an option.

Offered here is a remarkable example of a Porsche 356A T1. It's left-hand drive, in very original condition and features some unique production features. The history file shows that it was imported from the USA in 1997 and since then it has remained part of a large private collection. Originally owned by Mr Jan Hauge of Seattle, Washington State, the car has now been fully registered in UK and an MoT certificate is supplied with the car.

For the 356A purists the complete set of dash knobs in ivory are a joy to behold, even the fuel filler cap has not been converted to the cork gasket. The overall condition is very good with the

appearance of a carefully used significant Porsche. The engine is strong and runs cleanly making for brisk performance through the gears. The car has just benefited from a full photographic bare metal respray in the last few months in its original colour. A Porsche Certificate of Authenticity states that the original colour was indeed 'Meissen Blau', which is the oldest racing Porsche heritage colour ever produced and the rarest of all 356 colour codes.

The original engine was replaced whilst in the USA, and a desirable 1600S engine was substituted. Additional features include original 1600 S hubcaps, Blaupunkt radio, full tool kit, original interior and all aluminium trims and door furniture. In Meissen Blue, this little Porsche has to be the most striking 356 we have ever offered for sale. Inspections are more than welcome and we feel this car offers superb value and provides a unique opportunity for any Porsche collector.

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