
1979 Mercedes-Benz SL

Lot sold	USD 0 0 (listed)	Drive	LHD
Year of manufacture	1979	Condition	Used
		Location	
		Exterior colour	Other
		Car type	Other

Description

1979 Mercedes-Benz 450SL Convertible

Designer: Sindelfingen

Estimate: \$17,000 - \$22,000

Chassis Number: 107.044.12.056975

Decoded: 107=SL Class chassis; 044=2-Seat convertible; 1=Left hand Drive; 2=Automatic Transmission; 056975=56,975th 450 SL scheduled for production.

Engine: 4520cc OHC V8

Bosch K-Jetronic Fuel Injection/180 bhp

4-Speed Automatic Transmission

Power Assisted Four Wheel Hydraulic Disc Brakes

Odometer: 79,800 mi

*Factory original color and trim

*Optional and desirable alloy wheels

*Turn-Key ready for the road

The Model – The science of genealogy or researching a family’s history can be interesting and exciting. This goes double in the car-world if you own a part of the Mercedes-Benz SL family. SL, aptly translated means Super Light, and in the early days that is exactly what it meant. While Mercedes was known for luxury vehicles, it also had a racing heritage. The SLs saw a number of changes

evolving into the "R107" models the first V8 sports cars from Mercedes. The most popular member of this family was the 450SL, produced from 1973 to 1980, it found wide acceptance. Over its lifespan just under 66,300 units were produced making it, up to that time, the most popular single model Mercedes had ever produced. Excellent handling and performance were trademarks of this beloved model. The R107 chassis would live on for a number of years, but the 450SL could not be surpassed in production numbers.

The Car - Finished in its original Milan Brown, this sharp example of one of the later 450SL's, has been well maintained and is reported to be in excellent running condition and a close inspection will find that cosmetically, this is one car to be very proud of. The leather seats look as close to new as possible. Under the hood does show a patina of use, but it appears to be far less than the miles indicated on the odometer. When new there were reported issues with the Climate Control system, and we have been informed this 450SL has been sorted out and works just as those German engineers had originally planned. Glass all around in the original Sekurit, and shows no chips or scratches. One of the few after-market items is the modern stereo system professionally mounted in the dashboard. Fitted with original alloy wheels and a fresh set of tires, this 450SL is a great opportunity to enjoy the finest in engineering, construction and performance, all rolled into one beautiful and desirable sports car.

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