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Could this Aston Martin become the most expensive British car sold at auction?

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RM Sotheby's broke the world record for the most expensive British car sold at auction with its 1956 Aston Martin DBR1 in Monterey, California, last August. Now, Bonhams has just announced the sale of a very special 1961 Aston Martin DB4GT Zagato — does it have what it takes to steal the top spot?

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Known as '2 VEV', this 1961 Aston Martin DB4GT Zagato has a list of ultra-desirable characteristics: one of 19 DB4GT Zagatos, one of only three configured in the ultra-light DP209 specification, and one of two 'VEV' quasi-Works cars. Not to mention that it was once raced by the great Scottish Formula 1 racing driver Jim Clark in the 1960s — the prime of his racing career. Although its high estimate of 15m GBP is 2.5m less than what the [DBR1 from RM Sotheby's](#) achieved, there's a *very, very* good chance that it will break the record for the most expensive British car sold in Europe (set by a 1929 Bentley 'Birkin Blower' that sold for 5m GBP in 2012)— and who knows, it may even surpass all expectations and take over the World Record. We'll all find out on 13 July at Bonhams' Goodwood Festival of Speed auction.

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