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1989 Mercedes-Benz 300 SL

- Lot sold
USD 0
GBP 0 (listed)
Year of manufacture 1989
- **Mileage** 125 965 mi / 202 722 km
- **Gearbox** Automatic
- **Lot number** TBA
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- **Drive** RHD
- **Condition** Used
- **Location** 
- **Exterior colour** Other
- **Car type** Other
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Description

"Mercedes-Benz have been producing an SL (Sport Leicht) model or range of models since 1954. The similarly styled but mechanically unrelated 190 followed in 1955, completing the first generation of cars. The second generation SL's began with the 230 in 1963. It was distinguished by its lower waistline, big curved screens and a distinctive optional hardtop that earned the model its nickname of 'pagoda top'. Over its nine years of production, the second generation SL's engine grew in capacity from 2.3 litre (230 SL) to 2.5 litre (250 SL) and finally to a 2.8 litre (280 SL). The larger, third generation SL was launched in 1971, initially with just a 3.5-litre engine (350 SL) mated to four-speed automatic transmission. The car featured a two-door monocoque body shell with independent suspension all round, coil springs and anti-roll bar at the front, semi-trailing arms, coil springs and anti-roll bar at the rear. The power assisted steering was Daimler-Benz's own recirculating ball system. Over its seventeen year reign, the R107 range was powered by no less than eight different engines - two sizes of straight-six unit and six versions of 90-degree V8 including the three litre straight six we have offered here produced from 1985.

This delightful example was originally registered on 24th August 1989 and presents in beautiful condition. Clearly this Mercedes-Benz has been the subject of a restoration and this appears to have been carried out to a good standard. Owned by the current vendor since 2001, he has now decided to part company with his 300 SL due to lack of suitable storage space. Finished in light metallic blue with mushroom leather interior, this Mercedes-Benz is supplied with a V5C

registration document and a current MoT test certificate valid until 21st December 2018.

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