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## 1957 Alfa Romeo Giulietta

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| Lot sold            | <b>USD 0</b><br>GBP 0 (listed) | Drive           | RHD   |
| Year of manufacture | 1957                           | Condition       | Used  |
| Gearbox             | Manual                         | Location        |       |
| Lot number          | TBA                            | Exterior colour | Other |
|                     |                                | Car type        | Other |

### Description

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"The Alfa Romeo Giulietta was introduced in 1954 in coupé form and was the first truly mass produced Alfa Romeo. It was also a return to elegance rather than the utilitarian looks of the earlier models. April 1955 saw the introduction of the Berlina (saloon) and later in the summer of that year, the beautiful and almost ageless Spider saw the light of day. All of the Giulietta models (750 series 1954 - 1959) were driven by the all alloy, twin overhead camshaft engine with gearing via a four-speed, all synchromesh gearbox. Importantly; the Giulietta is known for its reliability and durability with parts and services being readily available from many specialists throughout the UK and Europe. We are delighted to offer this Alfa Romeo Giulietta Spider which, according to the Alfa Romeo Historic Archive in Arese, Milan, was manufactured on 19th November 1957 with the original body colour of white, and was sold on 21st March 1958 in Melegnano, Milan. The engine bay is finished in black and gives away the original colour in places. Mechanically, the original 1290cc engine has been replaced with a later 1290cc Berlina block (a common change in period) mated to the standard four-speed gearbox. An early, rare and sought after cylinder head is fitted and fuelled via twin DCO3 sand cast Weber carburettors. As the historic racing fraternity knows, these carburettors are in very high demand if a set can be found. The engine is also of interest in that it has an early cylinder head with the fuel pump located and driven off the exhaust camshaft. The chrome work does require some renovation and the wheels look original and untouched.

The interior is in good condition and the hood, on removing it from its stowage, operates correctly and is in good order. A large history file accompanies this Giulietta and includes early Giulietta Register club magazines, many magazine articles and cuttings with road test reports from Autocar,

Motor and Road and Track and an original Alfa Romeo spare parts catalogue. A large quantity of invoices and notes from its early days in the UK also give a fascinating insight into the car, including records from the well known Alfa Romeo racing driver of the period, John Dooley of Brookside Garage. The Giulietta's V5 records the car as having first been registered in October 1996, and in fact the car has been in long-term ownership since then. However a sales invoice from 6th December 1974 suggests the car has been in the UK since 1974; as does a letter from Alfa Romeo (Great Britain) Ltd. dated 21st June 1976, stating that the car is to Spider Veloce configuration. The present owner has had the fuel pump replaced with an electric one, new pistons and there is a workshop manual included with documents. Seatbelts have been fitted making it safer to use on the roads but they are attached via a removable clip, so they can be removed if one prefers in keeping with its originality. Also, to note, the car has more recent Giulietta register information and as the present owner is a member, it is listed. There are a brand new set of tyres on the front and some spares are included with the car including a head gasket. This is one of the prettiest of all Alfa Romeos and Giulietta Spiders and as such very sought after and hard to find in right hand drive format.

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