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1973 BMW 3.0

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| Lot sold | USD 0 GBP 0 (listed) | Drive | RHD |
| Year of manufacture | 1973 | Condition | Used |
| Gearbox | Manual | Location | |
| Lot number | TBA | Exterior colour | Other |
| | | Car type | Other |

Description

"The post-war renaissance of BMW began in earnest in the 1960s with the introduction of two pivotal models, the compact 02-Series - the forerunner to the huge selling 3-Series - and a larger, visually striking CS sports coupé, referred to internally as the E9, which evolved to become the 3.0 CSi. In factory nomenclature, 'E9' the BMW 3.0 CS Coupé, was a Karmann-built two-door based on the 2000CS. Enlarged to accommodate the M30 engine from the E3 saloon, it had appeared first in 2.8-litre guise. In all a total of 4,455 were manufactured from 1971 to 1974. The BMW E9 Coupé was one of the most handsome cars ever to roll from the Munich factory. Sleek and shark-like, it had a wonderfully elegant and airy cockpit with slim windscreen pillars, a large glass area, and a beautifully restrained wooden dash. A 3.0 CSL special homologation version for the European Touring Car Championship competition enhanced BMW's reputation as a manufacturer of sporting automobiles. This superb looking left hand drive recreation has been painstakingly created over the past five years by the vendor, based on a 1973 BMW CS shell with careful attention to detail and a high standard of workmanship. The engine is a genuine M30 Alpina B10 unit, overhauled by Fritz's Bits of Somerset. This is mated to a five-speed Getrag dog leg gearbox. Aluminium boot, bonnet and doors have been fitted, together with a Sideloader LSD, Brembo front brakes and a ducted side exhaust. New Image wheels have been fitted, a new windscreen and rubbers, new plumbed in fire extinguisher, ATL fuel cell to FIA standard FT3-1999 (with certificate of conformance stating valid until 2022), OMP race seat

(in compliance with FIA standard 8859-1999), racing harness and Custom Cages roll cage. This beautiful example is finished in white with M Sport decals and cost in excess of £100,000 to build. Suitable for track day events, hill climbs or road use, this BMW 'Batmobile' is built to a very high specification and interested parties are advised to view the car in person prior to the auction."

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