
1989 Mercedes-Benz 300 SL

Lot sold	USD 0 GBP 0 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1989	Condition	Used
Mileage	97 069 mi / 156 218 km	Location	
Gearbox	Automatic	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	TBA	Car type	Other

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 (230SL) to 2.5 litre (250SL) and finally to a 2.8 litre (280SL). The larger, third generation SL was launched in 1971, initially with just a 3.5 litre engine (350SL) 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 re-circulating 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 desirable 300 SL presented in gleaming red coachwork with contrasting cream leather interior is in lovely condition throughout, showing no cracks to the dashboard and with very good wood veneers alongside an original Beker Mexico stereo. The body work is in equally good condition and shows little signs of its 20 years. In 2007 this car was unfortunately subject to an insurance claim, we are informed the car was repaired to a high standard. The repair work has recently been conditioned inspected by Autolign, details of which can be found on an HPI check and something that gives a fair

degree of confidence for any new buyer. Offered with a comprehensive history file and an MoT test certificate valid until August 2019. The 300 SL is considered the most desirable of the R107 marques and this is a very good example of the roadster which has to be seen to be appreciated."

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