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1996 Bentley Turbo

- Lot sold
USD 0
GBP 0 (listed)
Year of manufacture 1996
- **Mileage** 24 691 mi / 39 737 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

"This Bentley Turbo R is one of only around seven such vehicles made in 1996-97 at the behest of HR Owen to celebrate their purchase of the name of the James Young coachbuilding firm. The cars had many special features including vented front wings and bonnet, a smaller limousine-style rear windscreen for additional privacy and a glass panel in the roof. Inside, the cars had modified sports seats in two-tone leather with additional side bolsters. The traditional interior woodwork was replaced by carbon fibre trim to match the exterior paintwork. The dash instruments and foot pedals were also revised for a more sporting look and an engine start button and turbo boost gauge fitted. Stainless steel tread-plates engraved with the James Young logo were also fitted and the sound system upgraded. Mechanically the cars had a sports gearbox and the latest version of the 6,750cc engine with upgraded engine management systems that reputedly pushed the power output up to almost 400bhp. Naturally all these upgrades and special features did not come cheap and the cars cost over £187,000 when new.

This splendid Bentley was originally registered on 24th September 1996 and presents in very good condition throughout. The vendor is an enthusiastic and fastidious car collector and is only selling this rare Turbo R due to lack of suitable storage space. The deep purple (Madagascar) paintwork is a colour that suits the car and the two-tone interior is an area of beauty. The additional dials and carbon fibre in this Bentley certainly gives it a sporty feel unlike no other in the era. Supplied with a V5C registration document together with a current MoT test certificate and a good history folder, the last service was carried out at 24,178 miles. A highly sought after example of a Bentley that is fast being recognised as a

classic. "

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