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1929 Austin 7

Lot sold	USD 0 GBP 0 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1929	Condition	Used
Mileage	8 773 mi / 14 119 km	Location	
Gearbox	Manual	Exterior colour	Other
Lot number	TBA	Car type	Other

Description

"The Austin 7 was produced from 1922 through to 1939 and nicknamed the 'Baby Austin'; it was one of the most popular cars ever produced and sold equally well abroad. It wiped out most other British small cars and cycle cars of the early 1920's and its effect on the British market was similar to that of the Model T Ford in the USA. Prior to the Austin 7 though, larger cars were the order of the day but the forward thinking of Sir Herbert Austin felt a smaller car would be more popular. Austin put a large amount of his own money into the design and patented many of its innovations. In return for the investment, he was paid a royalty of two guineas on every car sold. Nearly 2,500 cars were made in the first year of production (1923), not as many as hoped, but within a few years the 'big car in miniature' had transformed the fortunes of the Austin Motor Co. and by 1939, when production finally ended, over 290,000 cars and vans had been manufactured.

This delightful Austin 7 Tourer was given as a birthday present to the lady owner when she was a teenager and has remained with her for close on 60 years. Although she owned many other vehicles during that period, this Austin 7 Tourer had a special place in her heart and when she received an offer of restoring the car in the 1980s by a retired engineer, it was a perfect opportunity to return the Austin to its former glory. The restoration took some four to five years to complete although the

result is a vehicle of great quality and one that has a super history. The lady owner moved to the Channel Islands and took the Austin 7 with her where it was used sparingly. She then reluctantly decided to part with the car due to moving abroad. Registered on the original number of UU 9272, this Austin 7 AD Tourer is in excellent condition and is highly desirable given the condition and ownership."

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