
1990 Aston Martin Virage

Lot sold	USD 46 867 - 53 562 GBP 35 000 - 40 000 (listed)	Drive	RHD
Year of manufacture	1990	Condition	Used
Gearbox	Automatic	Location	
Chassis number	SCFCAM1S2LBR500	Fuel type	Petrol
Number of seats	2	Exterior colour	Other
Drivetrain	2wd	Car type	Other
Lot number	657	Engine number	89/50064
		Exterior brand colour	Conniston Sand
		Interior brand colour	Parchment Piped Green

Description

Guide price: £35000 - £40000.

- UK-supplied on the 2nd October 1990, an automatic gearbox car finished in Conniston Sand
- Large history file with service records going back to 1993 from Aston main dealer and specialists
- In long-term storage since 2009 with recent recommissioning works by Oseli at some £10,000
- Works included attention to the brakes, fuel system electronics and instrument upgrade
- MoTs going back to 1999 with the current valid until November 2019
- Showing some 33,000 miles this comfortable grand tourer is ready for the road once again.

The Virage sported a reworked version of Tadek Marek's legendary quad-cam 5.3-litre V8, now with a 32-valve head designed by Callaway Engineering of Connecticut, hydraulic tappets, and Weber-Marelli fuel injection. It produced 364 lb/ft of torque and 330bhp, which was enough to elevate its performance to near 'supercar' levels. The car's driving attributes lend themselves to the automatic option of Chrysler's three-speed Torqueflite transmission. "Acceleration just never seems to run out", claimed Sports Car International on a first test. They also praised the "eager and quicker revving" nature of the engine and were generally mightily impressed with the whole package: "The new car outperforms the old in every respect. It's quicker, sharper handling, more refined and has an

astonishingly good ride. It's better made, too. The factory's craftsmanship is legendary, but now it is allied to 1990s standards of quality and reliability". Costing £135,000 at launch, by the end of the 2000 model year, just 1,050 Virage related models were produced in total, quite a low production number when compared to some of its predecessors. The car was supplied on the 2nd October 1990 finished in Conniston Sand over Green-piped Parchment hide and was fitted with an automatic gearbox. Having been enjoyed sparingly, and showing some 33,000 miles, the car entered long-term secure storage in 2009. When returned to the road, established Aston specialists, Oselli, were tasked with carrying out the extensive recommissioning works and the account for this came to some £10,000. The detailed invoices from Oselli are in the owner's file along with the car's service and maintenance records that go back to 1993. It's hard to believe that the Virage is still within most people's reach, compared to its contemporaries, and remains the most affordable of Aston's 'Heritage' models. Presented to auction nicely recommissioned, with great history, and a fresh MoT, the car is ready to grace the road once more.

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